

**DECISION UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY ON AN APPLICATION
BY SKYCITY CASINO MANAGEMENT LIMITED FOR APPROVAL
OF A NEW FLOOR PLAN FOR THE AUCKLAND CASINO**

Date of Decision:



July 2020

1. On 6 July 2020 SKYCITY Casino Management Limited ("SCML") applied, pursuant to condition 11 of its operator's licence for the Auckland casino, for approval of a new floor plan, "2020 L6 001".
2. Condition 11 of SCML's operator's licence for the Auckland casino provides as follows:
 11. The Licence Holder shall operate in accordance with approved floor layouts showing the position of gaming tables and gaming machines. The Licence Holder shall obtain approval for new floor plans prior to relocating or installing tables or machines in positions not specified in approved floor layouts. When applying, the Licence Holder must submit fresh plans showing the floor layout for the Gambling Area and details of the proposed CCTV layout for consideration. Any change must comply with the Surveillance Standard. The Executive Director and a single Gambling Commissioner may approve the new floor plans if they are satisfied that the floor layout has no potentially adverse effects. If they are not so satisfied, the proposed floor plan must be referred to the Commission for a decision on approval.

Submissions

3. SCML submitted as follows:
 - (a) The Commission has previously approved construction and design changes to the VIP area at the casino, referred to as Level H6, and subsequently the removal of all gaming product from that area to facilitate the construction activity.
 - (b) The works are now nearing completion and it seeks Commission approval for an amended floor plan. The proposed change is the installation of 157 EGMs, which it wants to install by mid-July, with the opening of the area to customers expected to be mid-August.
 - (c) The proposed new floor plan has been designed to ensure that gambling activity is not visible from outside of the casino. Once the gambling products have been deployed, it will invite the DIA to inspect the floor layout.
 - (d) It has also recently submitted an application to the Commission to vary the Gambling Area for this part of the casino. This application will be considered at the Commission's August meeting. The positioning of the EGMs will fall within the

existing Gambling Area and the proposed new plan is not reliant on approval of the recent application.

Decision

4. The floor plan proposal raises no issues of regulatory concern for the Commission. Accordingly, plan "2020 L6 001" (**attached**) is approved by the Chief Gambling Commissioner and the Executive Director under delegated authority, pursuant to condition 11 of SCML's operator's licence, for the Auckland casino.



Lisa Hansen
Chief Gambling Commissioner
Gambling Commission



Blair Cairncross
Executive Director
Gambling Commission

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