

**DECISION UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY ON AN APPLICATION
BY CHRISTCHURCH CASINOS LIMITED FOR APPROVAL OF
CONSTRUCTION AND DESIGN CHANGES TO THE CHRISTCHURCH CASINO**

Date of Decision: 21 September 2020

1. On 18 September 2020, Christchurch Casinos Limited Limited (“CCL”) applied, pursuant to conditions 6 and 7 of its venue licence, for approval of construction and design changes at the Christchurch casino.

2. Conditions 6 and 7 of CCL’s venue licence provide as follows:

6. Subject to the provisions of condition 7, the Licence Holder must obtain the approval of the Commission prior to:

- (a) any construction or design changes whatsoever in the Gambling Area (Schedule 1) and Additional Gambling Areas (Schedules 2 or 3) and for any construction or design changes elsewhere in the Casino Venue which may impact on the matters set out in condition 7;
- (b) the construction or relocation outside the Gambling Area and Additional Gambling Areas and within the Casino Venue of bank facilities available to the public excluding ATMs, EFTPOS and like devices; and
- (c) the addition or alteration of signage relating to the casino business on the exterior of the Casino Venue or on or around the building within which it is located.

The process by which the Licence Holder may obtain approval for construction or design changes to Car Park 2, Level 1 and Level 2 and the rooftop area of the Casino Venue, (paragraph (a) above) is set out in condition 7. The Commission will determine any application for approval under 6(b). The Executive Director may approve the addition or alteration of signage relating to the casino business on the exterior of the Casino Venue or on or around the building within which it is located (paragraph (c) above) if he/she is satisfied the proposed changes will have no potentially adverse effects. If he/she is not so satisfied, the proposed changes must be referred to the Commission for a decision on approval.

7. The Licence Holder must notify the Executive Director of any proposed changes to the construction or design for which approval is required under condition 6. Notification must be accompanied by relevant drawings and an assessment of any impacts the alterations may have on:

- (a) the integrity and fairness of games;
- (b) the effectiveness of security and surveillance;
- (c) harm prevention, harm minimisation and responsible gambling;
- (d) potential access to the Gambling Area by persons under 20 years of age; and
- (e) compliance by any person with the Act, including section 11 of the Act.

The Executive Director may approve the proposed changes to the construction or design if he or she is satisfied that there are no adverse impacts in relation to the matters specified in (a)-(e) above. If the Executive Director is not satisfied, he or she will refer the proposal to the Commission for determination.

Submissions

3. CCL submitted as follows:
- (a) CCL wants to install a number of digital display TVs in the following locations within the casino:
- (i) A four panel 60" digital display outside of the Gambling Area on a video wall at the entrance to "The Café" area on Level 1. The four panels will work together to create a single image. It wants to install the unit in a 2 x 2 portrait orientation on the wall to the left of the entrance to the public restrooms. The final dimensions are 2680mm x 15100 mm. The screens will be used for signage and are not TV capable.
- (ii) A group of five separate TV screens which will display menus and specials on the wall between the new dining area and the kitchen in The Café. These screens are on the border of the new permanent designated Gambling Area in The Café.
- (iii) Two display screens inside the Gambling Area on the main gaming floor, on the wall above where Rapid Roulette/Rapid Baccarat terminals are to be located. The screens will display the game information for these terminals.

Decision

4. The Executive Director was satisfied that CCL's proposed construction and design changes will not adversely impact upon any of the matters set out in condition 7. The construction and design changes proposed are approved by the Executive Director under delegated authority pursuant to conditions 6 and 7 of CCL's venue licence. The construction and design changes are to be generally in accordance with the application.

Blair Cairncross
Executive Director
Gambling Commission

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