

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

Date of Decision: 6 September 2022

1. On 25 May 2022, Christchurch Casinos Limited Limited (“**CCL**”) applied, pursuant to conditions 6 and 7 of its venue licence, for approval of construction and design changes. The Commission approved that application pursuant to delegated approval 1284.
2. On 5 September 2022, CCL applied to vary that delegated approval, pursuant to conditions 6 and 7 of its venue licence. The proposed amendment involves the installation of one TV screen and the relocation of another (relocated from where it was approved by delegated approval 1284).
3. 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, 3 or 4) 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 Levels 3 and 4 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)-€ above. If the Executive Director is not satisfied, he or she will refer the proposal to the Commission for determination.

4. CCL submitted:

- It seeks to amend delegated approval 1284 previously approved by the Commission.
- It wants to install an additional 55-inch TV screen in the VIP Cage (Cash Desk Area). The screen will only be viewable upon entering the room and from the dining space, and will enhance the visual experience for patrons, creating a more welcoming atmosphere.
- It wants to relocate a 55-inch TV screen, previously approved in approval 1284, from the wall next to the entrance to Club Aspinall to the wall on the side of the Cash Desk. The screen will provide a more enhanced visual experience for customers in the gaming area of Club Aspinall.
- Both screens will display digital art and, in the future, also be used to display advertising that would include room dining and promotions being run in the Casino.
- If approved, there will be no impact on any of the matters set out in condition 7 of its venue licence.

5. The application to amend the construction and design changes approved by the Commission pursuant to delegated approval 1284 is 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

6 September 2022

