

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

**Date of Decision:** 20<sup>th</sup> February 2016

1. On 23 February 2016, Otago Casinos Limited ("OCL") applied, pursuant to condition 12 of its operator's licence for the Wharf casino, for approval of a new floor plan, "March 2016".
2. Condition 12 provides as follows:
  12. The Licence Holder shall obtain the approval of the Commission 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 the consideration of the Commission. Any changes 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.
3. OCL submitted as follows:
  - (a) On 16 February 2015, the Commission approved a new floor plan in order to accommodate some construction and design changes at the Wharf casino. The construction and design changes did not eventuate and it has continued to operate using a floor plan previously approved on 13 June 2011. That plan features 73 gaming machines although three of those machines were removed some time ago and have not been replaced.
  - (b) It wants to remove a further nine gaming machines which means that 61 machines will be deployed for use.
  - (c) Consistent with the plan approved on 16 February 2015, and to avoid any confusion around the game mix in operation at any time, the six gaming tables are reflected as generic boxes (rather than as specific games).
  - (d) The new layout will not impact compliance with the Surveillance Standard.
4. The proposal raised no issues of regulatory concern for the Commission. Accordingly plan March 2016 (**attached**) is approved by the Chief Gambling Commissioner and the Executive Director under delegated authority pursuant to condition 12 of OCL's operator's licence for the Wharf casino.

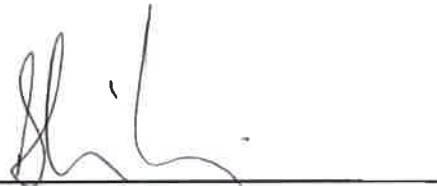


5. Once OCL is reliant on plan March 2016, the floor plans approved 13 June 2011 and on 16 February 2015 will cease to be valid.



**Graeme Reeves**  
Chief Gambling Commissioner  
Gambling Commission

24<sup>th</sup> February 2016



**Blair Cairncross**  
Executive Director  
Gambling Commission

March 2016

