

**DECISION UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY ON AN APPLICATION
BY SKYCITY AUCKLAND LIMITED FOR APPROVAL TO DISPLAY GAMBLING ACTIVITY ON
ITS FACEBOOK PAGE**

Date of Decision: 17 October 2018

1. On 15 October 2018, SKYCITY Auckland Limited (“**SCAL**”) applied, pursuant to condition 6 of its venue licence, for approval to display gambling activity on its Facebook page.

2. Condition 6 provides as follows:

6. The Licence Holder must obtain the approval of the Commission prior to:

- (a) ...
- (b) ...
- (c) ...
- (d) ...
- (e) the broadcasting of gambling activity by or on behalf of the Licence Holder via any communication medium or channel.

The process by which the Licence Holder may obtain approval for construction or design changes to Levels 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6 of the Original Casino Site, and Level 7 of the Grand Hotel on the NZICCA Additional Site, including the Gambling Area (paragraphs (a) and (b) above) is set out in condition 7. The Commission will determine any application for approval under 6(c). The Executive Director may approve the addition or alteration of signage relating to the casino business on any building, road or structure within the Original Casino Site or the NZICCA Additional Site (paragraph (d) above) and the broadcasting of gambling activity by or on behalf of the Licence Holder via any communication medium or channel (paragraph (e) above) if satisfied that the proposed initiative(s) will have no potentially adverse effects. The proposed changes must otherwise be referred to the Commission for a decision on approval.

3. SCAL submitted, in summary, as follows:

- (a) On 2-11 November 2018 it is staging the international Festival of Poker.
- (b) As it did in 2017, it wants to show gambling activity from the Festival of Poker on its Facebook page. Any activity shown in this manner will be restricted to the event itself and participating persons. The Festival of Poker attracts a good deal of interest and using social media as a means of keeping interested persons informed is a convenient and commonly used channel for such events. There are no adverse consequences arising from this proposal.

- 4. The proposal will have no potentially adverse effects and is approved by the Executive Director under delegated authority pursuant to condition 6 SCAL's venue licence.



Blair Cairncross
Executive Director
Gambling Commission

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