

# Grand Casino Licence Renewal Submission

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**Please select one of the following statements:**

I support the application by Dunedin Casinos Limited to renew their Casino Venue Licence

**The reasons for my support/ opposition/ neutrality to the application are:**

The Grand Casino has been operating as a Dunedin business for over 25 years.

They employ a significant number of people, who as a team are efficient, friendly staff, for the benefit of the patrons and visitors.

Management themselves, are constantly visible and where necessary, can be regularly seen 'mucking in with other hospitality staff to serve people.'

Some members of the public seem to have a narrow and / or negative view of Casinos, as just glorified gambling institutions - in respect to Dunedin's Grand Casino, this in my belief is so wrong.

It is a prestigious entertainment venue, offering ( in addition to Machine & Table gambling) a place of character architecture, ambience, friendship, security, fine dining, a variety of guest spaces, and background music [ not limited to, but including]

Indeed, a 'club,' atmosphere, with offsite outings to events and functions, providing arts, culture, music and sport.

They also 'give back,' to the Community through -

The Charitable Trust

Community Grants

Sponsorship and

Recycling of money.

In comparison, when one purchases lotto tickets or visits a TAB, they really don't get such 'added,' value, yet probably over time, expend even more of their disposable income, in expectation of a return, probably also with lesser odds - Little or no entertainment alongside that.

So for these reasons, I support the renewal of the Dunedin Grand Casino Venue License.

Thank you.

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**Please select one of the following statements:**

I would not like to attend and be heard at the public hearing of the application.

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**If you would like to attend and be heard at the public hearing, please explain below: · your connection with the Casino; · why you are interested in the application; and · a brief outline of the information you could provide at the hearing to assist the Gambling Commission in making their decision on the application.**

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