## **Notice of Decision**



Decision No. 57/CERT/1584/2019

**IN THE MATTER** of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act

2012

**AND** 

**IN THE MATTER** of an application by Rishab Anand

pursuant to s.219 of the Act for a

Manager's Certificate

## **BEFORE THE Hurunui District Licensing Committee**

Chairperson: Mayor M Black
Members: Councillor M Ward

Mr Winton Dalley

**HEARING** at Amberley on 31 August 2020

## **APPEARANCES**

Applicant: Did not attend Licensing Inspector: Ms Dianne Morrison

## **DECISION OF THE COMMITTEE**

This is an application by Rishab Anand for a Manager's Certificate.

At the time of lodging the application, the applicant was employed as an Event Manager at Five Stags Hanmer Springs.

During her enquiries into the application, the Licensing Inspector was made aware that the applicant was made redundant from his role at Five Stags and was working out his four week notice period with his employment ending on 5 August 2020. Since the applicant's work visa restricts him to Five Stags, he is unable to work. The applicant was working with his lawyer to update his work visa to enable him to work at other licensed premises.

In her report dated 24 July 2019, the Licensing Inspector recommended that "the application is placed on hold to allow him to change his visa considitons and gain employment at other licensed premises."

The District Licensing Committee issued a Decision dated 26 July 2019, which stated "We are satisfied that the application meets the criteria as set out in s. 222 of the Act and grant the application accordingly. A new manager's certificate can and will be issued, subject to the applicant providing sufficient evidence to the Secretary, that appropriate employment has

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been gained and his immigration visa has been altered to the new employment position in licensed premises, by or before 26 January 2020."

No evidence of employment or an updated visa was received by this date and attempts to contact the applicant were unsuccessful.

Immigration New Zealand confirmed in an email dated 26 June 2020, that "the applicant has not returned to New Zealand and his work visa was subsequently cancelled on 13 February 2020 on the basis he was made redundant..."

When the matter was called there was no appearance by or on behalf of the applicant. We take the inference, therefore, that the applicant has lost interest in pursuing the application.

We are unable to be satisfied as the matters to which we must have regard in s.222 of the Act and, as a matter of law, the application must be declined.

**DATED** at Amberley this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2020

Chairperson

Marie H. Black.

**Hurunui District Licensing Committee**