

24. SPENCER PARK CAMP – OFF LICENCE

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The purpose of this report is to obtain the Board's consent with delegated authority from the Council as landlord, for the lessee of Spencer Park Holiday Camp to hold an off liquor licence.

CONTEXT AND BACKGROUND

Spencer Park Camp is held under lease by Christchurch Holiday Parks Limited the Company director of which is Trevor Inwood. The Lease which runs until 2014 provides that the lessee shall operate during trading hours, a camp shop which stocks a range of goods and produce similar to other camp shops which meet the reasonable needs of the Lessee's customers, visitors and guests. An application has been made to the District Licensing Authority for an off licence to sell beer and wine during the hours 8.00 am to 8.00 pm seven days a week. The Lessee believes it would be convenient to campers to be able to supply them with beer and wine from the camp shop and considers this to be an additional service he can offer to campers to add to their enjoyment while staying at the camp.

The Camp is situated on recreation reserve subject to the provisions of the Reserves Act 1977. The Community Board has the power to give the consent of Council as landowner (including reserves) for the purposes of the Sale of Liquor Act 1989. The District Licensing Agency is withholding a compliance certificate pending confirmation of the Council's consent as landowner but otherwise has no problem with the proposal.

COMMENT

The sale of Liquor from the shop premises is not prohibited by the lease conditions. The hours applied for fall within the hours to sell liquor under the City Plan. The report author is aware of other camp stores outside Christchurch that stock beer and wine. South Brighton Motor Camp does not presently hold an off licence. The nearest off licence to Spencer Park Camp is the Blue Lagoon, Harbour Road, Brooklands. The issue of this licence will probably mean that campers will stay on site rather than drive to a liquor outlet for their supplies. The lease provisions contain sufficient authority for the Lessee to refuse a sale or admission to the premises with the Council having the authority under the lease to withdraw its consent to an off licence in the event of a breach of the licence terms or undue nuisance, disturbance or annoyance to Council or other persons.

All things considered no reason is seen to oppose the application.

Staff

Recommendation: That the Board give the consent of the Council as landowner to the Lessee of the Spencer Park Camping Ground holding an off licence to sell beer and wine only from the camp shop during the hours 8.00 am to 8.00 pm seven days a week.

Chairman's

Recommendation: For discussion.