Decision Notification

Application Details

Application no.	211244
Licence No.	57602170
Licence Class	Liquor Production & Sales
Premises Name	Koonowla Wines
Premises Address	18 Koonowla Road
	AUBURN SA 5451
Licensee	George Family Wine Growers Pty Ltd
Application Type	Variation to Conditions (Upgrade)
Representative	Mr Ben Allen - Wallmans Lawyers

Outcome

Decision	Granted
Effective Date	01 Nov 2021

Requirements

The following requirements in support of the application have been satisfied:

The application has been advertised

All approvals, consents or exemptions have been obtained

Premises

Capacity

The capacity of the venue is set at 200.

Reasons for Decision

In reaching my determination, I have had regard to the objects of the *Liquor Licensing Act 1997*. It is a requirement under section 97(1) of the *Liquor Licensing Act 1997* (the Act) that premises must be personally supervised by a responsible person at all times that they are open to the public, however under section 97(2) of the Act the Commissioner may exempt a licensee from this requirement and approve alternative arrangements for the supervision and management of the business.

I note that the licensee currently has an exemption from this requirement when there are less than 25 patrons at any one time.

As part of the application to increase the capacity, I have reviewed this exemption and asked the applicant to provide a submission as to why the exemption should remain on the licence. The applicant has supplied a short submission.

The approved capacity for consumption on is 100.

As part of this application the licensee now seeks a capacity of 200.

This is a significant increase to the approved capacity, and it is therefore prudent to review whether the exemption from the responsible person requirements is still appropriate in the circumstances.



An exemption can only be granted if the licensing authority is satisfied that, in view of the limited scope of a business conducted under a licence, an exemption would not compromise the principle of responsible service of alcohol and consumption of liquor. To allow the continuation of the exemption, I must be satisfied that the business conducted under the licence is of a limited scope.

I do not consider a premises trading with up to 200 people at any one time to be of a 'limited scope'. However, I am prepared to retain the exemption subject to the condition that it only applies when there are less than 25 patrons at any one time.

Under Delegation from the Liquor and Gambling Commissioner

Jane Widdowson Hearings Delegate 01 Nov 2021

