NSW Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

Our ref: DF24/019582

Mr Lindsay Cornish

Pyramid Liquor Licensing

11 September 2024

Dear Mr Cornish

Application No.	APP-0012924708
Applicant	GLENWORTH VALLEY SERVICES PTY LTD
Application for	Packaged liquor licence
Application date	7 May 2024
Decision date	21 August 2024
Proposed licence name	The Valley Event Centre
Proposed trading hours	Monday to Sunday 10:00 AM – 9:00 PM
Proposed premises	69 Cooks Road Glenworth Valley NSW 2250
Legislation	Sections 3, 11A, 12, 29, 30, 40, 44, 45, 48, 53 and 123 of the <i>Liquor Act</i> 2007

Decision of the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority Application for a packaged liquor licence – The Valley Event Centre

We **approve** the application above under section 45 of the *Liquor Act 2007* — with the conditions set out in Schedule 1. The 6-hour closure period overrides any condition of the licence.

Statement of reasons

We are satisfied that the overall impact of approving the application will not be detrimental to the well-being of the local or broader community.

Our main findings

The local community for the purposes of this decision is Glenworth Valley. The broader community is the Local Government Area (LGA) of Central Coast.

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Positive social impacts

The application seeks to operate a small liquor sales area within an event centre shop located on a 3,000 acre property at Glenworth Valley with no delivery of alcohol provided.

We are satisfied that the proposal would benefit patrons visiting and staying at the property as they will not need to leave the site if wishing to purchase alcohol. This will discourage drink-driving and provide for increased convenience.

Negative social impacts

We accept that the proposal could contribute to an increase in alcohol-related harm in the local and broader communities because of the:

- higher crime rates in the LGA for alcohol-related domestic assault, alcohol-related non-domestic assault and malicious damage than in NSW
- higher rates of alcohol-attributable hospitalisations and alcohol-attributable deaths in the LGA than in NSW

However, we are satisfied that these risk factors are reduced by the:

- absence of crime hotspots in the suburb for all offence categories we considered
- lower saturation rate of packaged liquor licences in the LGA than in NSW
- absence of other packaged liquor licences in the suburb
- indication of an average level of relative socio-economic advantage and disadvantage in the suburb, and an above-average level in the LGA, compared to other communities in NSW (noting that numbers may be skewed due to the small size of the population)
- harm-minimisation measures outlined in the plan of management and licence conditions, as set out in Schedule 1.

The material we considered

We considered the following material when making our decision:

- the application material including evidence that stakeholders and the community were notified about the application
- a community impact statement (CIS)
- the plan of the licensed premises and any authorisations
- a plan of management for the licensed business
- a development consent for the premises
- statistics from Liquor & Gaming NSW, Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research, NSW Health and Australian Bureau of Statistics on the socio-economic status, liquor licence density, alcohol-related crimes rates and health issues in the local and broader communities
- stakeholder submissions and the applicant's response to them.

We also considered Guideline 6 to assess the likely social impact on the local and broader community.

This decision will be published in accordance with section 36C of the *Gaming and Liquor Administration Act* 2007.

Opportunity for review

The applicant and anyone who was notified of the application and made a submission, may apply to NCAT for a review of the decision.

An application for review must be made no later 28 days after the decision is published on the website. There is a fee to lodge the application.

For more information, please contact the NCAT Registry at Level 10 John Maddison Tower, 86-90 Goulburn Street Sydney or visit the NCAT website.

If you have any questions

Please contact the case manager, Max Costa, at Liquor and Gaming NSW if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

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Chairperson

Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

Schedule 1: Licence conditions to be imposed – The Valley Event Centre

No.	Condition	Description
1.	6-hour closure period	Section 11A of the Liquor Act 2007 applies to this licence. Liquor must not be sold by retail on the licensed premises for a continuous period of 6 hours between 4:00 AM and 10:00 AM during each consecutive period of 24 hours. The licensee must comply with this 6-hour closure period along with any other limits specified in the trading hours for this licence.
2.	Retail Sales	Good Friday Not permitted
		December 24th Normal trading Monday to Saturday, 8:00 AM to 12:00 midnight Sunday
		Christmas Day Not permitted
		December 31st Normal trading Monday to Saturday, 10:00 AM to 12:00 midnight Sunday
3.	Social impact	The business authorised by this licence must not operate with a greater overall level of social impact on the well-being of the local and broader community than what could reasonably be expected from the information contained in the Community Impact Statement, application and other information submitted in the process of obtaining the licence.
4.	Liquor accord	The licensee or its representative must join and be an active participant in the local liquor accord.
5.	Plan of management	The premises is to be operated at all times, in accordance with the Plan of Management dated 17 July 2024 as may be varied from time to time after consultation with NSW Police. A copy of the Plan of Management is to be kept on the premises and made available for inspection on the request of a police officer, council officer, Liquor and Gaming NSW inspector, or any other person authorised by the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority.
6.	CCTV	The licensee must maintain a closed-circuit television (CCTV) system on the licensed premises ("the premises") in accordance with the following requirements: The licensee must maintain a closed-circuit television (CCTV) system on the licensed premises ("the premises") in accordance with the following requirements:
		a. the system must record continuously from opening time until one hour after the premises is required to close,
		b. recordings must be in digital format and at a minimum of ten (10) frames per second,
		 any recorded image must specify the time and date of the recorded image,
		d. the system's cameras must cover the following areas:
		i) all entry and exit points on the premises, and
		ii) all publicly accessible areas (other than toilets) within the premises.
		2. The licensee must also:

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		 keep all recordings made by the CCTV system for at least 30 days,
		 b. ensure that the CCTV system is accessible at all times the system is required to operate pursuant to sub-clause 1(a), by at least one person able to access and fully operate the system, including downloading and producing recordings of CCTV footage, and
		 provide any recordings made by the system to a police officer or Liquor and Gaming NSW inspector within 24 hours of any request by the police officer or Liquor and Gaming NSW inspector to provide such recordings.
7.	Adequate Separation	The liquor sales area must be adequately defined from the rest of the store in accordance with the premises plan as approved by the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority on 21 August 2024 or any premises plan subsequently approved by the Authority.