

NSW Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

Our ref: DF25/018629

Ms Suzanne Carlen Dawes

20 March 2025

Dear Ms Dawes

Application No.	APP-0013557451
Applicant	Suzanne Carlen Dawes
Application for	New on-premises licence with extended trading authorisation and primary service authorisation
Application date	2 August 2024
Decision date	19 February 2025
Proposed licence name	Jingle Bells
Trading hours	Monday to Sunday 12:00 PM – 06:00 AM
Premises	14 Sleigh Place Wetherill Park NSW 2164
Legislation	Sections 3, 11A, 12, 24, 25, 40, 44, 45, 48, 49 and 53 of the <i>Liquor Act 2007</i>

Decision of the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority Application for a new on-premises licence with extended trading authorisation and primary service authorisation – Jingle Bells

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 Wetherill Park. The broader community is the Local Government Area (LGA) of Fairfield.

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Positive social impacts

The application seeks to operate a new on-premises licence (adult relaxation entertainment facility class) which would allow alcohol to be sold for consumption on premises until 6am Monday to Sunday.

We are satisfied that the proposal would benefit the local and broader communities by providing increased convenience and choice.

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 saturation of on-premises licences in the suburb compared to NSW
- higher crime rates for malicious damage in the suburb compared to NSW
- Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) data indicating a below average level of socio-economic advantage and disadvantage in the suburb and LGA compared to other communities in NSW.

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

- proposed venue not being located within any crime hotspots we considered
- crime rates for alcohol-related domestic and non-domestic assault and alcohol-related disorderly conduct in the suburb and LGA being lower than in NSW
- crime rates for malicious damage in the LGA being lower than in NSW
- saturation of on-premises licences being lower in the LGA than in NSW
- alcohol attributed hospitalisations and deaths are lower in the LGA than in NSW
- proposed venue being located in an industrial area
- patron capacity being restricted to 25 and the plan of management outlining that no more than four within a group would be allowed to enter at any given time
- security being engaged each day from 07:00 PM until one hour after closing
- 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 Statement of Risks and Potential Effects
- 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 to 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 Liquor & Gaming NSW at: new.applications@liquorandgaming.nsw.gov.au if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely



Caroline Lamb

Chairperson

Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

Schedule 1: Licence conditions to be imposed – Jingle Bells

No.	Condition to be imposed	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 06:00 AM and 12:00 PM 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.	Restricted trading & NYE	<p>Good Friday: 12:00 noon - 10:00 PM</p> <p>Christmas Day: 12:00 noon - 10:00 PM (liquor can only be served with or ancillary to a meal in a dining area)</p> <p>December 31st: Normal opening time until normal closing time or 2:00 AM on New Year's Day, whichever is the later</p> <p>Note: Trading is also allowed after midnight into the early morning of Good Friday and Christmas Day if authorised by an extended trading authorisation. Trading must cease at the time specified under the authorisation. The latest time that can be specified is 5:00 AM.</p>
3.	Liquor plan of management	The premises is to be operated at all times in accordance with the Plan of Management dated 11 September 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.
4.	Overall impact	<p>The business authorised by this licence must not operate with a greater overall level of overall impact on the well-being of the local and broader community than what could reasonably be expected from the information contained in the application and other information submitted in the process of:</p> <p>obtaining the licence on 19 February 2025</p> <p>obtaining the extended trading authorisation on 19 February 2025</p> <p>obtaining the primary service authorisation on 19 February 2025</p>
5.	Extended trading authorisation	Extended trading authorisation: Whole of the licensed premises.
6.	Primary service authorisation	Primary service authorisation: Whole of the licensed premises.
7.	Liquor accord	The licensee or its representative must join and be an active participant in the local liquor accord.
8.	CCTV	<p>1. The licensee must maintain a closed-circuit television (CCTV) system on the premises in accordance with the following requirements:</p> <p>a. the system must record continuously from opening time until one hour after the premises is required to close (or, in the case of a premises that is not required to cease trading, continuously at all times),</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. recordings must be in digital format and at a minimum of ten (10) frames per second, c. any recorded image must specify the time and date of the recorded image, d. the system's cameras must cover the following areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. all entry and exit points on the premises, ii. the footpath immediately adjacent to the premises, and iii. all publicly accessible areas (other than toilets) within the premises. <p>2. The licensee must also:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. 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 c. 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.
9.	Crime scene preservation	<p>Immediately after the person in charge of the licensed premises or a staff member becomes aware of any incident involving an act of violence causing injury to a person on the premises, the person in charge of the licensed premises and/or staff member must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. take all practical steps to preserve and keep intact the area where the act of violence occurred, 2. retain all material and implements associated with the act of violence in accordance with the crime scene preservation guidelines issued by NSW Police, as published from time to time on the Liquor and Gaming NSW website, 3. make direct and personal contact with NSW Police to advise it of the incident, and 4. comply with any directions given by NSW Police to preserve or keep intact the area where the violence occurred. <p>In this condition, 'staff member' means any person employed by, or acting on behalf of, the licensee of the premises, and includes any person who is employed to carry on security activities (e.g. crowd controller or bouncer) on or about the premises.</p>
10.	Incident register	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The licensee must maintain a register, in which the licensee is to record the details of any of the following incidents and any action taken in response to any such incident: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. any incident involving violence or anti-social behaviour occurring on the premises, b. any incident of which the licensee is aware that involves violence or anti-social behaviour occurring in the immediate vicinity of the premises and that involves a person who has recently left, or been refused admission to, the premises, c. any incident that results in a person being turned out of the premises under section 77 of the Liquor Act 2007,

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		<p>d. any incident that results in a patron of the premises requiring medical assistance.</p> <p>2. The licensee must, if requested to do so by a police officer or Liquor & Gaming NSW inspector:</p> <p>a. make any such incident register immediately available for inspection by a police officer or Liquor & Gaming NSW inspector, and</p> <p>b. allow a police officer or Liquor & Gaming NSW inspector to take copies of the register or to remove the register from the premises.</p> <p>3. The licensee must ensure that the information recorded in the incident register under this condition is retained for at least 3 years from when the record was made.</p>
11.	No persons under 18	Any person under the age of eighteen (18) years shall not, for any purpose, enter the premises.
12.	No spruiking	There is to be no spruiking or touting for business immediately outside the premises or in the near vicinity of the premises.
13.	Doorways and windows	All external doorways and windows are to be screened to prevent any viewing of entertainment from outside the premises.