Application Number: 036/CERT/082/2024

IN THE MATTER of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012

<u>AND</u>

IN THE MATTER of an application by **Kuldeep Sharma** for a Managers Certificate pursuant to section 219

of the Act.

BEFORE THE WHANGANUI DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

The managers' certificate application (036/CERT/082/2024) had no objections filed and no matters of opposition raised under section 220 reports, therefore the matter was considered by the Whanganui District Licensing Commissioner in accordance with sections 221, 222 and 223 of the Act.

Commissioner: Stuart Hylton

DECISION OF THE WHANGANUI DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

1. Application

Kuldeep Sharma made the application on the prescribed form dated 15 November 2024. The applicant intends using the certificate at the 'Stella Restaurant and Bar' (Tavern Style On-licences). The applicant has over five months experience working at a Palmerston North On-licence premises.

The application included evidence of obtaining the necessary License Controller Qualification. The applicant's employer gave evidence of the applicant's experience, skills, and suitability.

2. Decision Making

In considering this application for a manager's certificate the licensing committee had regard to the following criteria under section 222 of the Act.

- a)the applicant's suitability to be a manager:
- (b)any convictions recorded against the applicant:
- (c)any experience, in particular recent experience, that the applicant has had in controlling any premises for which a licence was in force:
- (d)any relevant training, in particular recent training, that the applicant has undertaken and evidence that the
 applicant holds the prescribed qualification required under section 218:
- (e)any matters dealt with in any report made under <u>section 220</u>.

3 Reporting Agencies

The following reports were received under section 220 of the Act and taken into account during the decision.

- **3.1** Police No opposition within report dated 20 November 2024.
- **3.2 Licensing Inspector** Full report assessing **Kuldeep Sharma's** credentials against the Acts criteria.

The Inspector notes the applicant has a work visa limiting their work to Ocean 1313 (Stella Bar). An undertaking has been signed by the applicant limiting the certificate use to Stella Restaurant and Bar.

The inspector has interviewed the applicant and concludes that the application is complete and appears to meet the criteria of section 222 of the Act.

4 Conclusion

Based on the evidence provided to me within the application and statutory reports I conclude that **Kuldeep Sharma** meets the criteria to hold a Managers Certificate under the Act.

5 Decision

Accordingly, the application is **Approved** for issue for a period of one year and subject to the undertaking being annotated to the certificate.

Dated at Whanganui District this 7 day of December 2024.

Signed

Stuart Hylton

Whanganui District Licensing Commissioner

