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Dear Mr Stratton-Cooney

<b>Application No.</b>	1-7975167641
<b>Applicant</b>	Nathan James Stratton-Cooney
<b>Application for</b>	Extended Trading Authorisation
<b>Licence name</b>	La La La's
<b>New Trading hours</b>	Consumption on premises Monday to Saturday 10:00 AM – 2:00 AM Sunday 10:00 AM – 12:00 AM
<b>Current trading hours</b>	Consumption on premises Monday to Saturday 10:00AM – 12:00 AM Sunday 10:00 AM – 10:00 PM
<b>Premises</b>	3 Globe Lane WOLLONGONG NSW 2500
<b>Legislation</b>	Sections 3, 11A, 12 - 17, 40, 44, 45, 48, 49, 51 and 53 of the <i>Liquor Act 2007</i>

**Decision of the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority  
Application for an extended trading authorisation – La La La's**

At its meeting on 13 October 2021, the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority (“Authority”) considered an application for an extended trading authorisation (“ETA”) for hotel liquor licence LIQH440019025, trading as La La La's.

The application sought to extend the trading hours of the Premises from:

- 10am – 12 midnight Monday to Saturday and
- 10am – 10pm Sundays,

to:

- 10am – 2am Monday to Saturday, and
- 10am – 12 midnight Sundays.

Following the receipt and consideration of further requested information, and pursuant to section 49 of the *Liquor Act 2007*, the Authority decided to **approve** the application on 15 November 2021, subject to imposing conditions as set out in Schedule 1.

**Concise statement of reasons**

A concise statement of reasons for this decision is attached at the end of this letter.

In the interest of efficient finalisation of determined matters in a high-volume liquor and gaming jurisdiction, the Authority will only produce a detailed statement of reasons for applications which are refused, partially approved or the subject of stakeholder objections.

A concise statement of reasons is produced for non-contested applications that have been approved by the Authority, in cases where a statement of reasons is required to be published for the application under section 36C of the *Gaming and Liquor Administration Act 2007*.

The concise statement of reasons briefly sets out the material considered by the Authority, the legislative requirements, and the Authority's key findings.

If you have any questions, please contact the case manager, Wendy Yeung at [wendy.yeung@liquorandgaming.nsw.gov.au](mailto:wendy.yeung@liquorandgaming.nsw.gov.au).

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Philip Crawford', is positioned above the printed name.

Philip Crawford  
Chairperson

For and on behalf of the **Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority**

## Concise statement of reasons

### Key facts

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<b>Application date</b>	28 April 2021
<b>Decision</b>	Approved under section 49 of the <i>Liquor Act 2007</i>
<b>Decision date</b>	15 November 2021

### Material considered by the Authority

The Authority has considered the following material in determining the application:

- Application material, including evidence of notification to specified stakeholders and the community about the application;
- Category B community impact statement;
- Premises plan setting out the proposed boundaries of the licensed premises and any applicable authorisations;
- Plan of management for the licensed business at the Premises;
- Notice of determination to modify development consent DA-2020/98/A granted by Wollongong City Council on 26 August 2021 for the Premises:
  - The Authority notes the typographical error at condition [44] of the notice of determination to modify development consent regarding trading hours on Fridays as it states “Thursday and Saturdays and eve of public holidays: 8am – 2am;
- Statistics sourced from Liquor & Gaming NSW, Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research, NSW Health and Australian Bureau of Statistics in respect of the socio-economic status, liquor licence density, alcohol-related crimes rates, and health issues in the relevant local and broader communities; and
- Stakeholder submissions in relation to the application, specifically from NSW Police (“Police”) and Liquor & Gaming NSW Compliance and the applicant’s response to those submissions.

### Legislative requirements

The Authority has considered the application in the context of the following sections of the *Liquor Act 2007*, and the associated clauses of the Liquor Regulation 2018:

- Section 3: Statutory objects of the Act and relevant considerations.
- Sections 11A and 12: Standard trading period for liquor licences and a mandatory 6-hour period during which liquor cannot be sold.
- Sections 14, 15, 15A and 17: Specific provisions in respect of a hotel licence.
- Section 40: Minimum procedural requirements for a liquor licence application to be validly made.
- Section 44: Submissions to Authority in relation to licence applications.
- Section 45: Criteria for granting a liquor licence.
- Section 48: Requirements in respect of a CIS, including a requirement that the Authority must not approve the application unless it is satisfied, having regard to the CIS and other available information, that the overall social impact of doing so will not be detrimental to the well-being of the local or broader community.
- Section 49: General provisions in respect of ETAs.
- Section 51: General provisions relating to licence-related authorisations.
- Section 53: Provisions relating to licence conditions.

The Authority has also had regard to its Guideline 6 in considering the overall social impact of approving the application pursuant to section 48 of the Act.

### **Key findings**

In accordance with its Guideline 6, the Authority finds that the relevant local community for the purposes of this decision is the suburb of Wollongong, and the broader community is the Local Government Area of Wollongong.

#### Positive social impacts

The Authority is satisfied on the material before it that the proposal set out in the application, if approved, would likely benefit the local and broader communities through the provision of increased liquor access, choice and convenience. The grant of the ETA will extend the services offered by the Premises, including live music, food, beer wine and cocktails, and contribute to the development of the social, entertainment and community aspect of the area.

#### Negative social impacts

The Authority accepts that the proposal may, over time, contribute to an increase in alcohol-related harm in the local and broader communities, including alcohol-fuelled violence, health problems and/or social and amenity issues, having regard to the:

- higher than average liquor licence density in the local community
- presence of crime hotspots in the local community
- higher than average crime rates in the local and broader community.

The Authority is nevertheless satisfied that these risk factors are sufficiently mitigated by the following:

- Police found no recorded breaches of licence or disturbance complaints for the Premises
- Police requested an extra security condition, which the applicant consented to, despite Police stating the Premises has in place adequate conditions on the licence
- the Premises is well managed with no issues
- Council has developed a night-time economy policy and the ETA application aligns with the policy's scope and objectives.
- absence of any objections from agency stakeholders or members of the community
- the proposed conditions were updated and put to the applicant for comment, and later consented to the suite of conditions

Overall social impacts and conclusion

Having considered the positive and negative social impacts that are likely to flow from the applicant's proposal, the Authority is satisfied that the overall social impact of approving the application will not be detrimental to the well-being of the local or broader community.

The Authority is also satisfied that the other legislative requirements for the approval of the application have been met.

The Authority finds, having regard to the above, that approving the application is consistent with the statutory objects and considerations of the Act to regulate the liquor industry in line with the community's expectations, needs and aspirations, and facilitate the balanced and responsible development of the liquor industry and related industries.

Accordingly, the Authority approves the application under section 49 of the Act.



Philip Crawford  
Chairperson  
For and on behalf of the **Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority**

## Schedule 1 – Licence conditions to be imposed La La La's

1. The business authorised by this licence must not operate with a greater overall level of social impact on the wellbeing 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:
  - a. obtaining the licence on 17/06/2020, and
  - b. obtaining the extended trading authorisation on **11 November 2021** (application number 1-7975167641).
2. The premises is to be operated at all times in accordance with the Plan of Management dated **September 2021** 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.
3. Closed-circuit television system
  - 1) 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
    - (c) 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 to the premises
      - (ii) the footpath immediately adjacent to the premises, and
      - (iii) all publicly accessible areas (other than toilets) within the premises.
  - 2) The licensee must also:
    - (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 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.
4. Extended Trading Authorisation: whole of the licensed premises.
5. OMCG and declared organisation
  - 1) The licensee must not permit any person to enter the premises, or to remain on the premises, if the person is wearing or carrying any clothing, jewellery or accessory displaying:
    - a. the name of any of the following motorcycle-related and similar organisations:  
Bandidos, Black Uhlands, Coffin Cheaters, Comanchero, Finks, Fourth Reich, Gladiators, Gypsy Jokers, Highway 61, Life & Death, Lone Wolf, Mobshitters, Nomads, Odins Warriors, Outcasts, Outlaws, Phoenix, Rebels, Hells Angels, Scorpions, Mongols, Notorious, Muslim Brotherhood Movement; or any “declared organisation” within the meaning of the *Crimes (Criminal Organisation Control) Act 2009*, or
    - b. the colours, club patch, insignia or logo of any such organisation, or
    - c. the “1%” or “1%er” symbol, or
    - d. any image, symbol, abbreviation, acronym or other form of writing that indicates membership of, or an association with, any of the organisations specified in point 1 (a).
  - 2) Any incident where a person is refused entry or removed from the premises in relation to this condition must be recorded in the incident register.

6. Trial Extended Trading Hours

If the local consent authority does not approve the continuation of the trial period after one year from the commencement of operation (or as may be extended from time to time), the trading hours of the premises will revert to 10:00AM to 12:00AM seven days a week. A copy of the relevant development consent is to be kept on the premises and made available for inspection on the request of a police officer, council officer, Liquor & Gaming inspector, or any other person authorised by the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority.

7. New patrons are not permitted to enter the venue after 1:00 AM on any day.
8. A licensed security guard must be present on-site at the premises between 9:00 PM and 2:00 AM Monday to Saturday and eve of public holidays.
9. Trading hours are limited to 10:00 AM – 12:00 AM on Monday to Wednesday except where the prior written consent of Council and Police is obtained. Any request to vary those hours shall be submitted to the Council in writing no later than 7 days prior to the subject date detailing:
  - a. the variation in hours required
  - b. the reason for that variation (including type of event)
  - c. method of neighbour notification
  - d. manager contact number
  - e. any proposed measures required to mitigate the impacts of the extended hours of operation, and
  - f. amended venue plan of management.

The Authority also decided to revoke the following conditions:

1. [2320]

Closed-circuit television system

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  - 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),
  - b. recordings must be in digital format and at a minimum of six (6) 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:
    - i. all entry and exit points to the premises,
    - ii. the footpath immediately adjacent to the premises, and
    - iii. all publicly accessible areas (other than toilets) within the premises.
- 2) The licensee must also:
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2. [2290]

- (a) The premises is to be operated at all times in accordance with the Plan of Management dated October 2019 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 & Gaming NSW inspector, or any other person authorised by the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority.