

NSW Department of Customer Service
Liquor & Gaming NSW

Application number:	APP-0009337750	
Application for:	On-premises restaurant, catering, and Karaoke liquor licence with PSA & ETA	
Trading hours:	Monday to Sunday	10:00AM to 12:00AM
Applicant:	Jingchao Li	
Licence name:	Hong Kong Fine Dining Restaurant Pty Ltd	
Premises address:	94 Hay Street HAYMARKET NSW 2000	
Issue:	Whether a delegated Liquor & Gaming employee on behalf of the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority (ILGA) should grant or refuse an application for an On-premises restaurant, catering, and Karaoke liquor licence with PSA & ETA	
Legislation:	Section 45(1) of the <i>Liquor Act 2007</i>	

**On-premises restaurant, catering, and Karaoke liquor licence with PSA & ETA
Hong Kong Fine Dining Restaurant Pty Ltd**

Under delegation issued by the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority under section 13 of the Gaming and Liquor Administration Act 2007, a designated Public Service employee or other Public Service employee of Liquor & Gaming NSW in the Department of Customer Services, has decided to grant the application for On-premises restaurant, catering, and Karaoke liquor licence with PSA & ETA application number APP-0009337750

After careful consideration of the application and other material, the Delegate decided to approve the application, subject to conditions listed in table 1.

Decision Date: 10 February 2022



Nicola Taylor
Manager Licensing
Liquor and Gaming NSW
Delegate of the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

STATEMENT OF REASONS

Analysis of Submissions and statutory requirements

- (1) No submissions have been received objecting to the application.
- (2) Appropriate consent is in place for the use of the premises as an On-premises restaurant, catering, and Karaoke liquor licence with PSA & ETA.
- (3) Police did not object and proposed additional conditions be imposed on the licence.
- (4) Council raised no objections.
- (5) I am satisfied that the applicant has been provided with an opportunity to consider and comment upon the conditions contained in the licence document.
- (6) I am satisfied that the statutory advertising requirements have been met.
- (7) Having reviewed all the material, I am satisfied that granting this application for an On-premises restaurant, catering, and Karaoke liquor licence with PSA & ETA will not be detrimental to the local or broader community of NSW.

Overall social impact

(1) Positive benefits

The granting of the licence will provide customers in the suburb of Haymarket with an additional dining choice and premises for functions and where patrons can partake of Karaoke activities.

(2) Mitigation of potential negative impacts

I am satisfied that the business model, conditions imposed, and any other information contained in the application will provide that the lawful operation of the premises will not be detrimental to the local or broader community. In particular, the Plan of Management and licence conditions will serve to mitigate any potential negative impacts.

Conditions considered by the ILGA delegate

All requests to impose conditions on the licence are reviewed on a case-by-case basis and a merit-based assessment is conducted.

In considering whether a proposed condition has merit, Delegate's consider: (a) whether the need for the condition has been adequately established (b) whether the benefits of imposing the condition are likely to outweigh the costs and (c) whether the proposed condition is proportionate to the potential harm identified.

Table 1 sets out the conditions which I have decided to impose on the licence, and the Table 2 sets out conditions put forwarded for consideration which I have decided not to impose, and the reasons for that decision.

TABLE 1 - Proposed conditions imposed on the licence:	
1.	<p>000050 Retail closure period</p> <p>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 4:00am and 10:00am 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.</p>
2.	<p>Restricted trading & NYE (except airport, catering, other public entertainment venue, vessel - std)</p> <p>Consumption on premises</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Good Friday: 12:00 noon - 10:00 PM (liquor can only be served with or ancillary to a meal in a dining area) - Christmas Day: 12:00 noon - 10:00 PM (liquor can only be served with or ancillary to a meal in a dining area) - December 31st: Normal opening time until normal closing time or 2:00 AM on New Year's Day, whichever is the later <p>Note: Trading is also allowed at other times on Good Friday and Christmas Day if authorised by an extended trading authorisation. Liquor can only be served with or ancillary to a meal in a dining area after 5:00 AM on Good Friday and Christmas Day.</p>
3.	<p>Restricted trading & NYE (airport, catering - std)</p> <p>Consumption on premises</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Good Friday: Normal trading - Christmas Day: Normal trading - December 31st: Normal opening time until normal closing time or 2:00 AM on New Year's Day, whichever is the later
4.	<p>Plan of management</p> <p>The premises is to be operated at all times in accordance with the Plan of Management dated August 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, or Liquor & Gaming NSW inspector.</p>
5.	<p>No rapid consumption drinks</p> <p>No rapid consumption drinks condition.</p> <p>The following drinks must not be sold or supplied on the Licensed Premises: Any drink (commonly referred to as a "shot" or a "shooter", (with the exception of cocktails) that contains more than 30 mls of spirits or liqueur and that is designed to be consumed rapidly.</p>
6.	<p>Crime scene preservation condition</p> <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> <ol 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 & Gaming NSW website, 3) make direct and personal contact with NSW Police to advise it of the incident, and

	<p>4) comply with any directions given by NSW Police to preserve or keep intact the area where the violence occurred.</p> <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>
7.	<p>Close circuit television (CCTV)</p> <p>1) The licensee must maintain a closed-circuit television (CCTV) system on the premises in accordance with the following requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 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 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 <p>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.</p>
8.	<p>Sale and supply of alcohol-karaoke venue</p> <p>Only liquor sold or supplied under the authority of the licence is permitted on the licensed premises. The licensee must not permit patrons to bring liquor onto the premises, (BYO).</p>
9.	<p>Liquor service</p> <p>The licensee must ensure that all liquor sold or supplied at the licensed premises is opened by staff at the point of sale.</p>
10.	<p>Sale of spirits bottles</p> <p>The sale and supply of bottles of spirits is prohibited. The licensee is also prohibited from transferring the contents of bottles of spirits to another vessel for immediate consumption.</p>
11.	<p>Karaoke room conditions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The licensee must ensure signs are permanently displayed in each karaoke room stating, "Liquor must not be sold or supplied to persons under the age of eighteen (18) years". (ii) Liquor must not be sold, supplied, or consumed in any karaoke room in which a minor is present, unless the minor is accompanied and in the presence of a responsible adult as defined under the <i>Liquor Act 2007</i>. (iii) The door to each individual karaoke room must have a glass insert placed in it and kept clear at all times for the purposes of supervision of persons using the room.
12.	<p>Staff ID/ signage at karaoke reception</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The licensee must ensure that staff wear name tags and/or uniforms identifying themselves to patrons and authorities that they are working at the premises.

	(ii) A public display in the reception area clearly identifying the manager on duty, with the name and the photograph of the person in charge of the venue at any given time.
13.	<p>Queueing condition</p> <p>An adequate queuing system for patrons must be implemented at the main entrance of the licensed premises when patrons are queuing to gain entry, to ensure they do not obstruct or impede pedestrian traffic flow.</p>
14.	<p>Incident register condition</p> <p>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:</p> <p>(a) any incident involving violence or anti-social behaviour occurring on the premises,</p> <p>(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,</p> <p>(c) any incident that results in a person being turned out of the premises under section 77 of the <i>Liquor Act 2007</i>,</p> <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>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>
15.	The licensee must join and be an active participant in the local liquor accord .

TABLE 2 – Proposed conditions not imposed on the licence:		Proposed by:	Reason code (see table 9)
1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cctv footage on premises • Maximum patron capacity • Neighbourhood amenity • Crime scene preservation • Plan of management • Nightclub use • Cessation of sale/supply of liquor • Security • Incidents – recording and notification • Karaoke - no b.y.o. • Karaoke rooms - waiter service • Karaoke - identification of duty manager 	Police	I
2.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The licensee must ensure that at least one dedicated staff member is deployed in each karaoke room that has purchased a bottle of spirits. The 	Compliance	I

	<p>dedicated staff member is responsible for pouring alcoholic drinks to patrons in the room, and monitoring patrons for signs of intoxication.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spirit bottles purchased for consumption in karaoke rooms must not be left unattended by staff. • The licensee must ensure that patrons do not pour their own alcoholic drinks under any circumstances. 		
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Materials considered by the ILGA delegate

TABLE 3: Analysis of submissions	
Stakeholder submissions	
1.	<p>NSW Police</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police did not object and proposed additional conditions be imposed on the licence.
2.	<p>Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council raised no objection.

TABLE 4: Document analysis		
Details		Dated received/comment
1.	Application form	08/11/2021
2.	Plan of proposed licensed area	Compliant
3.	Certification of Advertising	Compliant
4.	Plan of management	Compliant
5.	<p>National Police Certificate</p> <p>ID</p> <p>RSA competency card</p> <p>Licensee training</p>	<p>Not required</p> <p>Compliant</p> <p>Compliant</p> <p>Compliant</p>
6.	Development consent	D/2021/761 - Change of use to a restaurant/ karaoke facility with associated alterations and additions
7.	Correspondence from Liquor & Gaming NSW to the applicant requesting additional information and consent to conditions	

8.	Correspondence from the applicant in response to Liquor and Gaming.	
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Conclusion

- (1) I am satisfied that procedural fairness was afforded to the applicant and interested parties regarding the decision whether to grant the application. All of those required to be notified of the application were provided with the opportunity to make written submissions and all submissions received were considered and helped inform this decision. The decision was made by the delegate having reviewed the application statement, business model and risk analysis, stakeholder submissions and other relevant material.
- (2) In accordance with section 45(3)(a) of the Act I am satisfied that the proposed licensee is a fit and proper organisation to carry on the business or activity to which the proposed licence relates.
- (3) Having considered the Plan of Management and other related material, under section 45(3)(b) of the Act, I am satisfied those practices will be in place at the premises as soon as the licence is granted that ensure, as far as reasonably practicable, that all reasonable steps are taken to prevent intoxication on the premises, and that those practices will remain in place.
- (4) Consistent with section 45(3)(c) of the Act requiring development consent from the local council, I am satisfied that the required development consent or approval is in force.
- (5) In making this decision under delegation from of the Authority, all statutory objects and considerations prescribed by section 3 of the Act were considered and accordingly, I have determined to grant the liquor licence application with conditions.

TABLE 5: Relevant extracts from the Liquor Act 2007

Legislative framework, statutory objects, and considerations

In determining the application, the delegate has considered relevant provisions of the Act, including the objects and considerations that are prescribed by section 3, which state:

3 Objects of Act

1. The objects of this Act are as follows:
 - a. to regulate and control the sale, supply, and consumption of liquor in a way that is consistent with the expectations, needs and aspirations of the community,
 - b. to facilitate the balanced development, in the public interest, of the liquor industry, through a flexible and practical regulatory system with minimal formality and technicality,

- c. to contribute to the responsible development of related industries such as the live music, entertainment, tourism, and hospitality industries.
2. In order to secure the objects of this Act, each person who exercises functions under this Act (including a licensee) is required to have due regard to the following:
 - a. the need to minimise harm associated with misuse and abuse of liquor (including the harm arising from violence and other anti-social behaviour),
 - b. the need to encourage responsible attitudes and practices towards the promotion, sale, supply, service, and consumption of liquor,
 - c. the need to ensure that the sale, supply, and consumption of liquor contributes to, and does not detract from, the amenity of community life.
 - d. the need to support employment and other opportunities in the—
 - (i) live music industry, and
 - (ii) arts, tourism, community, and cultural sectors.

TABLE 6: Statutory tests

1. In determining an application for a licence, under section 45(3) of the Liquor Act 2007, the delegate must also be satisfied that:
 - (a) the applicant is a fit and proper organisation to carry on the business or activity to which the proposed licence relates,
 - (b) practices will be in place as soon as the licence is granted that ensure, as far as reasonably practicable, that liquor is sold, supplied, or served responsibly on the premises and that all reasonable steps are taken to prevent intoxication on the premises and that those practices will remain in place, and
 - (c) if development consent is required under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act* 1979 (or approval under Part 4 Division 4.1 or Part 5.1 of that Act is required), to use the premises for the purposes of the business or activity to which the proposed licence relates – that development consent or approval is in force.
 - (d) the proposed approved manager/licensee has completed the relevant tiered industry training as per legislative requirements.

TABLE 7: Community impact test

1. Under section 48(5) of the Liquor Act 2007, the delegate must not grant a licence, authorisation or approval of a kind prescribed by section 48(2) of the Act unless the Authority is satisfied, having regards to the Community Impact Statement, where required, and any other matter the delegate is made aware of during the Application process, that the overall impact of the licence,

authorisation or approval in question being granted will not be detrimental to the local or broader community.

2. The test applying under section 48(5) relates to delegated decisions in relation to:
 - a. the grant or removal of a small bar licence (where required),
 - b. a packaged liquor licence (limited to telephone/internet sales),
 - c. an application for extended trading hours to permit the sale of liquor after midnight in relation to a small bar (where required), an on premises relating to a restaurant that includes an application for a primary service authorisation, an on-premises licence relating to a karaoke bar, a catering service or a vessel, and an application for a producer/wholesaler licence that includes an application for a drink on premises authorisation.

The Community Impact Statement provides the Authority with information about the views of relevant stakeholders and other aspects of the local community in which the proposed licensed premises is to be located. This includes, for example, the proximity of the licensed premises to hospitals or health facilities, nursing homes, schools, and places of worship.

TABLE 8: Important Information:

In accordance with Clause 5 of the Gaming and Liquor Administration Regulation 2008, this decision is reviewable by ILGA.

The licence applicant and persons who were required to be notified of the application and who made a submission can apply for an application for review. An application for a review must be lodged with ILGA within 28 days of the date of the publication of this decision. An application fee applies. For original applicants, the review application fee is the same as the initial application fee. For non-original applicants, the application fee is \$100.

For ILGA reviews of delegated decisions, make an application for review via the Liquor and Gaming Application Noticeboard at: <https://www.liquorandgaming.nsw.gov.au/Pages/public-consultation/online-application-noticeboard/online-application-noticeboard.aspx>. The Review Application form can be accessed online via the Application Number hyperlink.

Further information can be obtained from the Reviews page on the Liquor & Gaming website at: <https://www.liquorandgaming.nsw.gov.au/Pages/ilga/decisions-of-interest/reviews-of-decisions/reviews-of-liquor-and-gaming-decisions.aspx>

TABLE 9: - Reasons for not imposing requested conditions.

A	Do not impose. Already covered by the Liquor Act.
B	Do not impose. Already covered/already a condition in the DA.
C	Do not impose. Not a relevant condition for this licence type. Condition sought is generally only imposed on high-risk licence type or in exceptional circumstances. Exceptional circumstances have not been sufficiently made out by the person putting forward the condition.

D	Do not impose. This condition would be more restrictive than similar venues in Kings Cross which remains subject to the lockout laws in 2020.
E	Do not impose. Small Bars are considered low risk. 2016 Review of Small Bars found Venues with a small bar licence have a lower incidence of alcohol-related violence than venues operating as a small bar under another type of liquor licence. Smaller bars have a lower incidence of alcohol-related violence than other types of licensed venue.
F	Do not impose. Already covered in the Plan of Management. Plan of management condition has been imposed.
G	Do not impose. Not in alignment with the business type, risk associated and would impose disproportionate unnecessary financial and operational burden (small business).
H	Do not impose. Being part of a liquor accord is not compulsory / on a voluntary basis only. Exceptional circumstances for imposing conditions have been sufficiently made out by the person putting forward to the condition.
I	Do not impose – wording not consistent with ILGA/L&GNSW licence conditions – ILGA/L&GNSW licence condition wording has been imposed instead.