# NSW Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

Our ref: DF25/043960

Mr Tony Schwartz

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26 June 2025

#### Dear Mr Schwartz

Application No.	APP-0013923515			
Applicant	Anthony Charles Leybourne Smith			
Application for	New packaged liquor licence			
Application date	6 February 2025			
Decision date	21 May 2025			
Licence name	BWS - Beer Wine Spirits			
Proposed trading hours	Monday to Saturday 08:00 AM – 10:00 PM Sunday 10:00 AM – 10:00 PM			
Premises	6250 Kaluta Avenue (Cnr Abell Rd & Kaluta Av) Melonba NSW 2765			
Legislation	Sections 3, 11A, 12, 29, 40, 44, 45, 48, 53, 114 and 123 of the Liquor Act 2007			

# Decision of the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority Application for a new packaged liquor licence – BWS -Beer Wine Spirits

We **approve** the application above under section 45 of the *Liquor Act 2007* (the Act) — 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 Melonba. The broader community is the Local Government Area (**LGA**) of Blacktown.

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### Positive social impacts

The application seeks to operate a standalone packaged liquor outlet in a new neighbourhood shopping centre. The shopping centre will include a Woolworths supermarket and other speciality shop tenancies.

The applicant proposes to operate the premises with reduced trading hours and same day delivery. There are no other liquor licenses in the suburb.

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:

- proposed premises being located in high density hotspots for domestic and nondomestic assault, and malicious damage
- crime rates for malicious damage in the suburb being higher than in NSW
- crime rates for alcohol-related domestic assault in the LGA being higher than in NSW.

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

- absence of crime hotspots in the suburb for alcohol-related assault
- crime rates for alcohol-related domestic assault and disorderly conduct in the suburb and LGA being lower than in NSW
- crimes rates for malicious damage in the LGA being lower than in NSW
- alcohol-attributable hospitalisations and deaths in the LGA being lower than in NSW
- Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) data indicating an above average level of socio-economic advantage and disadvantage in the suburb and LGA compared to other communities in NSW
- proposed premises being the only liquor license in the suburb
- 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  $\underline{\text{Guideline }6}$  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: <a href="mailto:new.applications@liquorandgaming.nsw.gov.au">new.applications@liquorandgaming.nsw.gov.au</a> if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

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Chairperson

**Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority** 

# Schedule 1: Licence conditions to be imposed - BWS - Beer Wine Spirits

No.	Condition to be imposed	Description			
1.	6-hour closure	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 <b>2:00AM and 08:00 AM</b> 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	Retail sales Good Friday Not permitted December 24th Normal trading Monday to Saturday 8:00AM to 12:00 midnight Sunday Christmas Day Not permitted December 31st Normal trading Monday to Saturday 10:00AM to 12:00 midnight Sunday			
3.	Overall impact	The business authorised by this licence must not operate with a greater level of overall impact on the wellbeing 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 obtaining the licence.			
4.	Liquor accord	The licensee or its representative must join and be an active participant in the local liquor accord.			
5.	Liquor plan of management	The premises is to be operated at all times in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Endeavour Group Limited, as submitted to the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority ("the Authority") in support of the licence application and as may be varied from time to time after consultation with the Authority. A copy of these documents 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	<ol> <li>The licensee must maintain a closed-circuit television (CCTV) system on the licensed premises ("the premises") in accordance with the following requirements:         <ul> <li>a. the system must record continuously from opening time until one hour after the premises is required to close,</li> <li>b. recordings must be in digital format and at a minimum of ten (10) frames per second,</li> <li>c. any recorded image must specify the time and date of the recorded image,</li> <li>d. the system's cameras must cover the following areas:</li></ul></li></ol>			

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			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.
7.	Incident Register	1.	lice inc	e licensee must maintain a register, in which the ensee is to record the details of any of the following idents and any action taken in response to any such ident:  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 <i>Liquor Act</i> 2007,
			d.	any incident that results in a patron of the premises requiring medical assistance.
		2.		e licensee must, if requested to do so by a police icer or Liquor & Gaming NSW inspector:
			a.	make any such incident register immediately available for inspection by a police officer or Liquor & Gaming NSW inspector, and
			b.	allow a police officer or Liquor & Gaming NSW inspector to take copies of the register or to remove the register from the premises.
		3.	in tl	e licensee must ensure that the information recorded ne incident register under this condition is retained for east 3 years from when the record was made.