NSW Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

Our ref: DF25/047133

Mr Grant Cusack

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25 August 2025

Dear Mr Cusack

Application No.	APP-0014540623	
Applicant	ALDI FOODS PTY LIMITED	
Application for	on for New packaged liquor licence	
Application date	tion date 1 April 2025	
Decision date	16 July 2025	
Proposed licence name	ALDI Burwood	
Proposed trading hours	Monday to Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 08:30 AM – 08:30 PM Thursday 08:30 AM – 09:00 PM Sunday 10:00 AM – 08:00 PM	
Proposed premises	Burwood Westfield, T 1-357, L2 100 Burwood Road Burwood NSW 2134	
Legislation	Sections 3, 11A, 12, 29, 30, 31, 40, 44, 45, 48, 53 and 123 of the <i>Liquor Act</i> 2007	

Decision of the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority Application for a new packaged liquor licence – ALDI Burwood

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.

Approved manager or individual licensee

The licence cannot be exercised until the Authority or Liquor & Gaming NSW is notified that:

- the licence is transferred to an individual licensee, or an approved manager is appointed; and
- the licensee or approved manager is a suitable and qualified person.

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Mixed-use checkouts must be closed outside licensed hours

Under section 103(2) of the Act, any counter or place used to sell or supply liquor under the licence, including any mixed-use checkouts in the liquor sales area, must be closed to the public outside the licensed trading hours.

Statement of reasons

We are satisfied that the overall impact of approving the application will be consistent with the objects of the Act and will contribute to, not detract from, the amenity of community life.

Our main findings

The local community for the purposes of this decision is the suburb of Burwood. The broader community is the Local Government Area (LGA) of Burwood.

The application seeks to operate a packaged liquor licence in an ALDI supermarket within a shopping centre at Burwood.

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

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:

- crime hotspots and crime rates the premises is located in crime hotspots for all categories we considered, however the crime rates are lower in the suburb and LGA than in NSW
- licence saturation the rate of packaged liquor licences is higher in the suburb than in NSW, however, it is lower in the LGA than in NSW.

We also note that the below factors weighed in favour of approval of the application, and may also partially or fully mitigate some of the risks identified above:

- there were no objections from any government agencies or the community
- Socio-Economic Index for Areas (SEIFA) data indicates an above average level of socioeconomic advantage and disadvantage in the suburb, and an average level in the LGA, compared to other communities in NSW.¹
- health statistics the rate of alcohol-attributed hospitalisation and deaths in the LGA is lower than in NSW
- the licence will include a liquor sales area of 45.11 square metres and be in a shopping centre with no direct street access
- the harm-minimisation measures outlined in the plan of management and licence conditions, as set out in Schedule 1.

¹Research shows that the association between liquor outlet density and assaults is stronger in areas with higher percentages of ATSI and in areas with lower socio-economic status (Association of liquor outlet density with domestic and non-domestic assault in New South Wales; Jiang, H., Riordan, B., Laslett, A-M., Livingston, M., Lee, K., James, D., Stearne, A., & Room, R. (2024)

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
- the legislation
- 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 <u>Guideline 6</u> to assess the likely overall impact to the local and broader community and <u>Guideline 10</u> relating to the sale of liquor in supermarkets.

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

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Chairperson

Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

Schedule 1: Licence conditions to be imposed - ALDI Burwood

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 02:30 AM and 08:30 AM 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	Good Friday Not permitted December 24th Normal trading Monday to Saturday, 8:00 AM to 12:00 midnight Sunday Christmas Day Not permitted December 31st Normal trading Monday to Saturday, 10:00 AM to 12:00 midnight Sunday
3.	Overall impact	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 obtaining the licence.
4.	Local 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 ALDI Management Policies and Strategies and House Policy documents, 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 Authority.
6.	CCTV	 The licensee must maintain a closed-circuit television (CCTV) system at the supermarket/general store in accordance with the following requirements: the system must record continuously from opening time until one hour after the supermarket/general store is required to close, recordings must be in digital format and at a minimum of ten (10) frames per second, any recorded image must specify the time and date of the recorded image, the system's cameras must cover the following areas:

No.	Condition to be imposed	Description
		 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.
7.	Adequate separation	The liquor sales area must be adequately defined from the rest of the supermarket in accordance with the premises plan as approved by the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority on 16 July 2025 or any premises plan subsequently approved by the Authority.
8.	No refrigeration	The licensee must not sell refrigerated liquor products from the licensed premises.