# NSW Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

Our ref: DF25/055384

Mr Brett Tobin

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#### 8 September 2025

#### Dear Mr Tobin

Application No.	1-9442968302 – Hotel (full) licence removal 1-9465824853 – Gaming Machine Threshold (GMT) increase with Gaming Machine Entitlement (GME) transfer	
Applicant	Emily Anne Spooner	
Application for	Hotel (full) licence removal with GMT increase and GME transfer	
Application date	15 April 2025	
Decision date	20 August 2025	
Licence name	Victoria Hotel	
Licence number	LIQH400115997	
Current trading hours	Consumption on premises and takeaway sales  Monday to Saturday 05:00 AM – 12:00 AM  Sunday 10:00 AM – 10:00 PM	
Proposed trading hours	Consumption on premises  Monday to Sunday 10:00 AM – 12:00 AM  Takeaway  Monday to Saturday 10:00 AM – 12:00 AM  Sunday 10:00 AM – 10:00 PM	
Current premises	337 Gosport Street Moree NSW 2400	
Proposed premises	Part 33 Frome Street Moree NSW 2400	
Legislation	Sections 3, 11A, 12, 14, 15, 40, 44, 45, 48, 53 and 59 of the <i>Liquor Act</i> 2007 Sections 19, 34, 35 and 37B of the <i>Gaming Machine Act</i> 2001	

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#### **Decision of the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority**

Application for a hotel (full) licence removal with gaming machine threshold increase and gaming machine entitlement transfer – Victoria Hotel

We **approve** the application above under section 59 of the *Liquor Act 2007* (the Liquor Act) and Sections 19 and 34 of the *Gaming Machines Act 2001* (the Gaming Machines Act) — with the conditions set out in Schedule 1. Revoked conditions are set out in Schedule 2.

#### 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 and the Statistical Area 2 **(SA2)** of Moree. The broader community is the Local Government Area **(LGA)** of Moree Plains.

The applicant seeks to remove a hotel (full) licence with its associated gaming machine entitlements (having sold the existing premises - independent of the licence), to an unlicensed area in the Post Office Hotel at 33 Frome Street, Moree, which is approximately 1 km from its current location. The licence will be held at the proposed premises in a dormant capacity.

#### Social impacts

The licence may not be exercised at the proposed premises therefore no negative social impacts are associated with the removal. The licence remains subject to the conditions 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
- the legislation
- a Statement of Risks and Potential Effects
- certificate of advertising
- the plan of the licensed premises and any authorisations
- 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
- licence document
- L&GNSW compliance materials

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- change of boundaries approval Post Office Hotel
- location factors for the LGA and SA2 where the proposed premises is located
- venue maps and images
- 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.

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 <u>NCAT</u> 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 - Victoria Hotel

No.	Condition to be imposed	Description
1.	Dormant capacity of licence	The licence (LIQH400115997) will be held in a dormant capacity and must not be exercised at the address Part, 33 Frome Street, Moree NSW 2400.
2.	Overall impact	The business authorised by this licence must not operate with a greater 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 removing this licence to the premises at Part, 33 Frome Street, Moree, NSW 2400.
3.	Retail 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 <b>04:00 AM and 10:00 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.
4.	Consumption on premises	Good Friday: 12:00 noon - 10:00 PM 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. Note: Trading is also allowed after midnight into the early morning of Good Friday and Christmas Day if authorised by an extended trading authorisation. Trading must cease at the time specified under the authorisation. The latest time that can be specified is 5:00 AM.
5.	No gaming activities	No gaming machines may be operated on the licensed premises.

## Schedule 2: Licence conditions to be revoked - Victoria Hotel

Condition to be revoked	Reason
Condition 300 Minors' area authorisation: Whole of premises excluding Gaming Room and Public Bar/Part Lounge.	The applicant did not seek to "carry- over" the minors' area authorisation to the proposed premises. The condition is therefore not required for the new premises.
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