

NSW Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

Our ref: DF26/018473

Mr Michael Foot
Liquor Licence NSW

19 May 2026

Dear Mr Foot

Application No.	APP-0015802297
Applicant	Classic Wine & Spirits Pty Ltd
Application for	New packaged liquor licence
Application date	2 January 2026
Decision date	22 April 2026
Licence name	Classic Wine & Spirits Pty Ltd
Proposed trading hours	Monday to Sunday 10:00 AM – 10:00 PM
Proposed premises	115A Pendle Way Pendle Hill NSW 2145
Legislation	Sections 3, 11A, 12, 29, 40, 44, 45, 47B, 72I and 123 of the <i>Liquor Act 2007</i>

Decision of the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

Application for a new packaged liquor licence – Classic Wine & Spirits Pty Ltd

We **approve** the application above under section 45 and 72I 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 be consistent with the objects of the Act and will not be detrimental to the wellbeing of the local or broader community.

Our main findings

The local community for the purposes of this decision is the suburb of Pendle Hill. The broader community is the Local Government Area (**LGA**) of Cumberland.

The applicant sought approval for a standalone packaged liquor licence (**PLL**). The proposed premises would have street access from Pendle Way and are located adjacent to Rajah Supermarket, which is operated by the applicant. There would be no direct access between the supermarket and the proposed liquor store.

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

Social impacts

Approval of the proposal could contribute to an increase in alcohol-related harm in the local and broader communities because of the:

- the presence of a high density crime hotspot in the suburb for domestic assault, non-domestic assault and alcohol-related assault and a medium density crime hotspot for malicious damage to property
- incidence of alcohol-related non-domestic assault being higher in the suburb than the rate for NSW.

We also considered the following objections:

- 10 public submissions raised concerns about the proposed premises' proximity to existing takeaway liquor outlets and the area's already high levels of alcohol-related crime and antisocial behaviour (including public intoxication) which are said to negatively affect local businesses and the community. It was submitted that granting a liquor licence would exacerbate these issues and cause further harm, noting that police are frequently called to the area.

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

- no objections were received from government agencies
- the incidence of alcohol-related domestic assault, malicious damage to property and alcohol-related disorderly conduct are lower in the suburb and the LGA than the rate for NSW
- the incidence of alcohol-related non-domestic assault are lower in the LGA compared to NSW
- the saturation of PLLs is lower in both the suburb and LGA than the rate for NSW
- the incidence of alcohol-attributed deaths and hospitalisations is lower in the LGA than the rate for NSW
- the 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
- the legislation
- certificate of advertising
- 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
- L&GNSW compliance materials
- stakeholder submissions and the applicant's response to them.

We also considered [Guideline 6](#) 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 [NCAT](#) for a review of the decision.

An application for review must be made no later than 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



Caroline Lamb

Chairperson

NSW Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

Schedule 1: Licence conditions to be imposed – Classic Wine & Spirits Pty Ltd

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 4:00 AM and 10:00 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 24 th : Normal trading Monday to Saturday, 8:00 AM to 12:00 midnight Sunday Christmas Day: Not permitted December 31 st : Normal trading Monday to Saturday, 10:00 AM to 12:00 midnight Sunday.
3.	Liquor accord	The licensee or its representative must join and be an active participant in the local liquor accord.
4.	Liquor plan of management	The premises is to be operated at all times in accordance with the Plan of Management dated 05 March 2026 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.
5.	CCTV	- The licensee must maintain a closed-circuit television (CCTV) system on the licensed premises ("the premises") in accordance with the following requirements: - the system must record continuously from opening time until one hour after the premises 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: - all entry and exit points on the premises, and - all publicly accessible areas (other than toilets) within the premises. - The licensee must also: - keep all recordings made by the CCTV system for at least 30 days, - 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 - 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.

No.	Condition to be imposed	Description
6.	Crime scene preservation	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: 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 and Gaming NSW website, 3. make direct and personal contact with NSW Police to advise it of the incident, and 4. comply with any directions given by NSW Police to preserve or keep intact the area where the violence occurred. 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.
7.	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 obtaining the licence.