

**Community & Services Committee
10 August 2017**

Agenda for a meeting of the Queenstown Lakes District Council Community & Services Committee, to be held in Council Chambers, 10 Gorge Road, Queenstown on Thursday 10 August 2017 commencing at 10.00am.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Community & Services Committee held on Thursday 18 May 2017 in Council Chambers, 10 Gorge Road, Queenstown commencing at 10.02am.

Present

Councillors Stevens (Chair), Clark, Ferguson, McRobie and Miller.

In Attendance

Ms Meaghan Miller (General Manager Corporate Services), Mr Stephen Quin (Parks and Reserves Planning Manager), Mr Tim Errington (Aboriginal Officer), Mr Simon Battrick (Manager Sport & Recreation), Ms Michelle Morss (Corporate Manager), Ms Marie Day (Community and Events Facilitator), Ms Shelley Dawson (Senior Governance Advisor), 3 members of the public and 2 members of the media.

Apologies

An apology for lateness was received from Councillor Miller.

**On the motion of Councillors McRobie and Clark
it was resolved that the apology be accepted.**

Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

Councillor McRobie noted that in regards to *Item 3: Sub-Regional Sport & Recreation Facilities Strategy* he was the Chair of the Otago Community Trust.

Matters Lying on the Table

On the motion of Councillors Ferguson and Clark it was unanimously agreed to uplift Item - *Request for Approval to Remove Two Poplar Trees Growing Within QLDC Road Reserve – Panorama Terrace, Queenstown* off the table to be considered as Item 1 on the agenda.

Public Forum

Kirsty Sharpe

Ms Sharpe read from a prepared statement to *Item 1: Request for Approval to Remove Two Poplar Trees Growing Within QLDC Road Reserve – Panorama Terrace, Queenstown* and noted that she presented the Committee with the signed objections from 36 residents. Ms Sharpe commented that she supported Mr and Mrs Kleinjan's objection to the removal of the trees. She noted that the manner in which approval was sought did not comply with Council policy and added that the trees provided visual amenity.

Councillor Miller joined the meeting at 10.06am

Ms Sharpe suggested that the tree roots were probably supporting the road above and asked that if the request for removal had not been made would the trees have remained for the foreseeable future.

Arie Kleinjan

The Chair read a statement from Mr Kleinjan who was to speak in public forum when *Item 1: Request for Approval to Remove Two Poplar Trees Growing Within QLDC Road Reserve – Panorama Terrace, Queenstown* originally came to the Committee on 6 April 2017 but was unable to speak today.

Mr Kleinjan objected to the removal of the Poplar trees and gave some background of actions taken once the applicant submitted a request for service to cut the trees down. His statement noted that there were 36 signed objectors and noted that Council had not consulted properly. Mr Kleinjan's statement noted reasons the trees should stay including that Council had not followed its Tree Policy, the trees were present prior to the purchase of the property and that trees should not be cut to give one property owner a better view.

Els Kleinjan

The Chair read a statement from Mrs Kleinjan who was to speak in public forum when *Item 1: Request for Approval to Remove Two Poplar Trees Growing Within QLDC Road Reserve – Panorama Terrace, Queenstown* originally came to the Committee on 6 April 2017 but was unable to speak today.

Mrs Kleinjan noted that she had read the report to the Committee including the arborist report and that from Opus. Her statement commented that the request should never have been approved as the reason to de-block views went against the District Tree Policy. Ms Kleinjan noted in her statement that the trees did not cause ice to form on the road in winter and did not block the views when turning onto the street contrary to the Opus report. She also suggested that trimming the trees rather than cutting them down would solve these issues.

Clark Pirie - Chair of the Queenstown Cricket Club

Mr Pirie spoke to *Item 6: ICC U19 Cricket World Cup 2018* and noted that the club supported any step by Council to hold international cricket events. He added that if it went ahead it would show the real need for more facilities for community clubs and sports. Mr Pirie asked the Committee to take meaningful action to provide these facilities. After questions from the Committee Mr Pirie commented that the numbers in the club were approximately 300 and this growth was higher than growth nationally for cricket.

Russell Mawhinney – Queenstown Schools Cricket Carnival

Mr Mawhinney spoke to *Item 6: ICC U19 Cricket World Cup 2018* and commented that they held the Carnival for the first time last year. He noted that he also supported an international cricket event in Queenstown. Mr Mawhinney commented that the ICC would want exclusive use of the facilities for a long time and this would be a conflict with local and community sport and events.