

Planning & Strategy Committee 8 June 2017

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning & Strategy Committee held on Thursday 8 June 2017 in Council Chambers, 10 Gorge Road, Queenstown commencing at 10.00am.

Present

Councillor Hill (Chair), Councillors MacDonald, McRobie and Miller.

In Attendance

Mr Tony Avery (General Manager Planning & Strategy), Mr Ian Bayliss (Planning Policy Manager), Mr Blair Devlin (Manager Planning Practice), Ms Shelley Dawson (Senior Governance Advisor) and 1 member of the media and 6 members of the public.

Apologies

There were no apologies noted.

Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

No conflicts were declared.

Matters Lying on the Table

There were no matters on the table.

Public Forum

Warwick Goldsmith

Mr Goldsmith thanked the Committee and staff for listening to the concerns he raised at the last Planning & Strategy Committee meeting. He noted that he supported the report and the recommendation. Mr Goldsmith emphasised that a lot of people had invested time and money into the process and any delay would create real problems. He explained that everyone had to work hard to get the work done.

The Chair thanked Mr Goldsmith for his comments and for meeting with staff. He noted that the Committee wished to keep communication open with RMA practitioners and would meet with them twice a year.

Confirmation of Agenda

The agenda was confirmed without addition or alteration.

Confirmation of Minutes

On the motion of Councillors McRobie and MacDonald it was resolved that the minutes of the Planning & Strategy Committee held on 21 April 2017 be accepted.

1. Proposed District Plan Review Timeline

Consideration was given to a report that:

- Provided an update on the review of the Proposed District Plan (the PDP) for Queenstown Lakes District Council (the Council);
- Confirmed the components to be reviewed in Stages 2 - 4 of the district plan review that when notified would form part of the PDP;
- Provided an amended outline of indicative timing of Stages 2-4 processes which alters the timeline set out in the report to the 21 April 2017 Planning and Strategy Committee; and
- Provided an outline of indicative timing of decisions on the DPD.

Mr Bayliss and Mr Avery talked to this report.

Mr Bayliss explained that they had met with RMA practitioners on 10 May 2017 following the concerns that were raised in public forum at the 21 April 2017 Committee meeting. He commented that they had received strong feedback that people were keen to see the work done in Stage 1 of the Proposed District Plan Review come into effect as soon as possible adding that this was the main reason for the recommendation. Mr Bayliss noted that there would be significant challenges with putting out the decisions from Stage 1 while going through notification of the other stages. He explained that there was likely to be a pause after notification of the outstanding stages to allow staff time to address any appeals to Stage 1 that came in. Mr Bayliss commented that a point that came out of the meeting was that people were keen to understand Council's position on Visitor Accommodation.

Mr Bayliss noted that he had discussed the proposed programme with the Chair of Proposed District Plan hearings panel and they believed it was realistic and achievable. Mr Avery noted the timeframes they would be working under and highlighted that staff would be under pressure with notifications of the other stages at the same time as any appeals from Stage 1.

On the motion of Councillors Hill and MacDonald it was resolved that the Planning & Strategy Committee:

- 1. Note the contents of this report and in particular;**
- 2. Amend the proposed timeline for notification and hearings for future Stages**

of the Operative District Plan Review confirmed by the 21 April 2017 Planning and Strategy Committee.

3. Confirm the following proposed indicative timeline for notification and hearings for future Stages of the Operative District Plan Review:
 - a. Stage 2 (including transport, open space, earthworks and Wakatipu Basin and visitor accommodation) notification in 3rd quarter 2017 and hearings in 2nd quarter 2018.
 - b. Stage 3 (including affordable and community housing, township zones, industrial zones and sites of significance to iwi) notification in 1st quarter 2019 and hearings in 3rd quarter 2019.
 - c. Stage 4 (including special zone provisions) notification in 2nd quarter 2019 and hearings in 4th quarter 2019.
4. Confirm the following proposed indicative timeline for decisions on the Proposed District Plan (including responses to submissions, consolidated plan provisions, zones and mapping annotations and reasons for decisions):
 - a. Stage 1 recommendations, 1st quarter 2018. Issue of Council Decisions on Stage 1, 1st quarter 2018;
 - b. Stage 2 recommendations, 3rd quarter 2018. Issue of Council Decisions on Stage 2, 3rd quarter 2018;
 - c. Stage 3 recommendations, 4th quarter 2019. Issue of Council Decisions on Stage 3, 4th quarter 2019;
 - d. Stage 4 recommendations, 1st quarter 2020. Issue of Council Decisions on Stage 4, 1st quarter 2020.
5. Request the Planning Policy Manager to report any extension of the 2 year time limit for issuing decisions on the Proposed District Plan to the Planning and Strategy

Committee setting out the relevant statutory considerations under section 37 of the RMA.

Resolution to Exclude the Public

On the motion of Councillors Hill and McRobie the Planning & Strategy Committee resolved to exclude the public from the following parts of the proceedings of the meeting:

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The general subject of the matters to be discussed while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to the matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(a) of the Local Government Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution is as follows:

General subject to be considered.	Reason for passing this resolution.	Grounds under Section 7 for the passing of this resolution.
Appeals Subcommittee Draft Minutes 21 April 2017	<p>That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of information is necessary to:</p> <p>(g) to maintain legal professional privilege, and</p> <p>(i) enable any local authority holding the information to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)</p>	<p>Section 7(2)(g)</p> <p>Section 7(2)(i)</p>

This resolution was made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act or Section 6 or Section 7 or Section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982 as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as shown above with respect to each item.

The meeting moved into public excluded at 10.12am.

The meeting moved out of public excluded and concluded at 10.17am.

Confirmed as a True and Correct Record:

Chairperson

Date
