

QLDC Council

20 April 2017

Report for Agenda Item: 8

Department: CEO Office

Chief Executive's Monthly Report

Purpose

To amend a resolution made at the Council meeting on 24 March 2017; to present a summary of items considered at recent Standing Committee and Wanaka Community Board meetings and to present other updates on various matters.

Recommendation

That Council:

- 1. Note the contents of this report;
- 2. **Revoke** the following resolution made at the ordinary Council meeting held on 24 March 2017:

That the Council:

Appoint Councillors Ferguson, Lawton and Stevens to participate in a hearing panel to consider and hear submissions on the proposed Coronet Forest Management Plan 2017.

And replace it with:

That the Council:

Appoint Councillors Ferguson, Stevens and one other elected member to participate in a hearing panel to consider and hear submissions on the proposed Coronet Forest Management Plan 2017.

Change of Lease Area: Upper Clutha Sawmill and Wanaka Firewood Ltd

- 3. **Approve** the amended area [as shown in Attachment C] for the lease to be granted to Upper Clutha Sawmill and Wanaka Firewood Ltd on Section 37 Block III Lower Wanaka SD;
- Note the delegations exercised for licences to occupy and temporary road closures by the Chief Executive during the period 15 February – 31 March 2017; and
- 5. **Note** the items considered during the past meeting round by the Audit, Finance and Risk Committee, Planning and Strategy Committee, Appeals Subcommittee, Infrastructure Committee and Wanaka Community Board.

1. Hearings Panel Membership: Coronet Forest Management Plan 2017

Councillor Lawton has signalled her intention to stand at the by-election to fill the present vacancy on the Otago Regional Council and the law requires her to resign from the Queenstown Lakes District to do so. As the hearing on the Coronet Forest Management Plan 2017 will take place before a replacement for Councillor Lawton is elected and I believe that a hearings panel of three is appropriate for this issue, I ask the Council to revoke its earlier motion appointing the hearings panel and resolve to appoint a new panel of three members.

2. Change of Lease Area for Upper Clutha Sawmill and Wanaka Firewood Ltd ('UCSAWFL')

- a. In 2015 Council notified the intention to grant a lease on Local Purpose (gravel/landfill/depot) Reserve land known as Section 37 Block III Wanaka SD, and called for tenders from prospective Lessees. A plan of the proposed lease area is included as Attachment A.
- b. The successful tenderer was UCSAWFL. Since 2015, UCSAWFL have been seeking resource consent to undertake their activity on the land. Part of the consent application noted that it would be screened from the south-west by an existing earth bund.
- c. Because the screening bund is outside of the lease area, it cannot be relied upon to provide the mitigation put forward in support of the resource consent proposal. Therefore, UCSAWFL have asked that the lease area be altered slightly to include the bund. They had suggested the plan be amended to keep the area the same as the original proposal as shown in Attachment B. However, that would result in an unusable and difficult to maintain triangle between the lease area and the boundary.
- d. It would be more logical for the lease area to increase to include the bund as shown in Attachment C.
- e. The approved lease conditions are as follows:

Commencement: Tbc, once resource consent is obtained;

Rent: \$5,200 per annum plus GST;

Term: 5 years, with a right of renewal of another 5 years on the

agreement of both parties;

Rent reviews: 2 yearly;

Use: Loading and unloading firewood, sale of firewood;

Limitations: Firewood not to be processed on site;

Insurance: Lessee to provide public liability insurance and approved

health and safety plan prior to occupying the site.

- f. Originally, UCSAWFL were to have completed their consent by 2015, but that was extended last year to 30 June 2017.
- g. The Wanaka Community Board considered this matter at their meeting dated 30 March 2017 and passed a resolution to recommend to Council that the change in area be approved.

3. Delegations Exercised

Presented below is a list of applications for licences to occupy and temporary road closures considered by the Chief Executive under delegated authority during the period 15 February – 31 March 2017:

Address/Site/Event	Туре	Brief Description	Date of Decision	Outcome
The Grille	Table & Chair Licence	Use of Road Reserve for Table & Chair Licence	1/03/2017	Approved
47-49 Shotover St	Licence to Occupy	Use of Road Reserve for construction		
	Road Reserve	purposes	9/03/2017	Approved
NASA Balloon	Temporary Road	Temporary road closure for balloon		
Launch	Closure	launch for scientific purposes	9/03/2017	Approved

4. Committee meetings of previous meeting round

Audit, Finance and Risk Committee – Councillor McRobie (10 March 2017) Information:

- 1 Queenstown Airport Corporation: Six Month Report
- 2 QLDC Organisational Health Safety and Wellbeing Performance
- 3 Risk Management Update
- 4 Sensitive Expenditure
- 5 Quarterly Financial Overview December 2016
- 6 Treasury Update: February 2017 (Public Excluded)

Planning and Strategy Committee – Councillor Hill (16 March 2017) Information:

1 Withdrawal of land from the Proposed District Plan that is subject to recent plan changes to the Operative District Plan

Ratification:

2 Amendments to the Fees and Charges Schedule used for Resource Consents, Building Consents, Engineering and Other Matters

Note that the above item was considered as a separate report at the Council meeting held on 24 March 2017.

Appeals Subcommittee – Councillor Hill (16 March 2017) Information:

- 1 Request to mediate in relation to an appeal against the grant of consent to G & J George RM160579
- 2 Request to mediate in relation to an appeal to decline Plan Change 51 Peninsula Bay North

Note that this meeting was held with the public excluded.

Infrastructure Committee – Councillor Forbes (23 March 2017) Information:

- 1 Revision of Southern Light Strategy and Technical Specifications
- 2 Acquisition of the Cardrona Water Supply Limited (CWSL) Assets (Public Excluded)

Wanaka Community Board – Ms R Brown (30 March 2017)

Information:

- 1 Lease Variation for Pisa Alpine Trust
- 2 Glendhu Adventures Licence to Occupy Recreation Reserve
- 4 Chair's Report

Ratification:

3 Change of Lease Area for Upper Clutha Sawmill and Wanaka Firewood Ltd [NOTE: Discussed separately above]

ATTACHMENTS

- A UCSAWFL approved lease area outlined in red
- B Lessee's proposed amended lease area outlined in green, with bund highlighted in yellow
- C UCSAWFL proposed amended lease area outlined in blue

ATTACHMENT A - CURRENT LEASE AREA



ATTACHMENT B - REVISED LEASE AREA OPTION 1



ATTACHMENT C - REVISED LEASE AREA OPTION 2 (PREFERRED)

