

**Wanaka Community Board****16 December 2015****Report for Agenda Item: 1****Chair's Report****Purpose**

To present a report from the Wanaka Community Board Chair.

**Recommendation**

That the Wanaka Community Board:

- a. **Note** the report; and
- b. **Adopt** the Wanaka Community Board meeting schedule for 2016.
- c. **Recommend** to Council that the entire site area of the Wanaka Sports Facility be designated a smoke-free environment.

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Chair, Wanaka Community Board  
12/10/2015

**Adoption of meeting schedule for 2016**

- 1 In 2016 I am proposing that the Board meet monthly on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month. This means that the meeting dates will be as follows:  
10 February  
9 March  
13 April  
11 May  
8 June  
13 July  
10 August  
14 September
- 2 The current Council term finishes on 7 October 2016 (election day is 8 October) and Board members may consider that there would be value in holding a final meeting closer to this date than 14 September.
- 3 I would also like to hold a Board workshop on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month and to schedule the Board 'drop-in' session for the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month.

## **Designating Wanaka Sports Facility Smoke-free**

- 4 WellSouth Primary Health Network has approached the Council with a proposal for the Wanaka Sports Facility to be designated 'smoke-free'. The full proposal is attached.
- 5 The Smoke-Free Environments Act 1990 required all workplaces to be smoke-free from 10 December 2004. This means that the building itself will, by law, automatically be smoke-free. However, by designating the whole Wanaka Sports Facility site as smoke-free, the policy will be applicable to *all* areas of the facility, including the carpark and grounds.
- 6 The attached proposal sets out well the reasons for designating the site smoke-free and I can only agree that supporting this proposal will *'send a positive message that our children and young people's health, and the environment should be protected from the effects of smoking.'*
- 7 I understand that there is no established legal process for designating a site smoke-free as it does not fall within the Smoke-free Environments Act 1990. However, in 2006 the Council agreed on the Wanaka Community Board's recommendation to make all Council owned playgrounds and swimming pools smoke-free. Accordingly, designating the Wanaka Sports Facility as smoke-free is a policy decision which the Council can make by resolution.
- 8 As with the existing policy it is not proposed to engage in active enforcement. Rather, signage will suggest in a positive manner that people do not smoke and most people will comply with the smoke-free policy as a matter of good faith. However, as a policy rather than a legal requirement, enforcement will be limited to requesting anyone smoking in the area to extinguish it or move off the site.
- 9 WellSouth will assist with the practical aspects of introducing a smoke-free policy to the facility, namely, the development of a written smoke-free policy and the provision of appropriate signage.

## **Cardrona water and wastewater**

- 10 Harrison Griersons are undertaking detailed design of the township's wastewater reticulation.
- 11 Veolia's fee proposal for minor upgrades to Baxter 2009 has been accepted by Council.
- 12 Council is developing an application to Otago Regional Council to extend the discharge consent for Baxter 2009.

## **Mead Road**

- 13 Matters are progressing favourably to secure long-term public access over Mead Road but cannot be reported publicly at this time owing to legal ramifications. Mead Road is currently open and a commitment has been given for it to remain open until Easter 2016.

## **Wanaka Sports Facility**

- 14 The construction of the Wanaka Sports Facility is tracking to programme. The accommodation bar slab was poured as planned on 17 November. The roof construction commenced on 2 December and pouring of the main slab is due to occur on 7 December.

## **Wanaka Pool**

- 15 The pool received notification on 3 December of its second allocation of external funding, with advice received of a grant by the Otago Community Trust for \$500,000.
- 16 The pool building design was presented to the Urban Design Panel on 25 November.
- 17 A request for negotiated preliminary and general, margin and programme tender has been presented to Cook Brothers Construction. The tender submission is due by 11 December.

## **Wanaka Recreational Reserve: Reserve Management Plan**

- 18 A reserve management plan is currently being drafted that incorporates feedback from earlier public consultation. The draft plan will be brought to the Wanaka Community Board early in the new year to seek approval for it to be publicly notified to receive submissions.

## **Proposed District Plan**

- 19 The Proposed District Plan attracted more than 850 original submissions raising about 7,700 submission points and these have been summarised and can be viewed on the Council's website.
- 20 The further submission period opened on 3 December and closes on 16 December. There are limitations on who may lodge a further submission and the guidelines are as follows:
- a) Any person representing a relevant aspect of the public interest;
  - b) Any person that has an interest in the proposed policy statement or plan greater than the interest the general public has; and
  - c) The local authority itself.
- 21 The Council has appointed a panel of Commissioners to hear and determine decisions on the submissions on the Proposed District Plan. Hearings will begin in the new year.

## **Mt Burke**

- 22 Mt Burke Station is currently seeking further discussions with LINZ regarding the proposal for the stopping and vesting of roads.

## **Wanaka Parking**

- 23 At the Council meeting held on 26 November 2015 the Council adopted the Board's recommendations on changes to Wanaka parking control. The measures approved are detailed below.
- 24 The parking restrictions previously in place on the southern side of Brownston Street between Helwick Street and McDougall Street have been revoked.
- 25 New parking restrictions have been introduced as follows:
- a) P60 parking time restriction between 8:00am and 6:00pm on Mondays to Fridays, applied to the three angle carparks in the western corner of the Brownston Street carpark (See attachment B);
  - b) P240 parking time restriction between 8:00am and 6:00pm on Mondays to Fridays, applied to the whole of the Dungarvon Street carpark, except where otherwise parking is already restricted;
  - c) A "no stopping at all times" parking restriction applied to the southern side of Brownston Street between Helwick Street and McDougall Street;
  - d) An amendment to the existing vehicle restriction applying to the bus stop in Ardmore Street carpark 1 to enable use by all large passenger service vehicles and small passenger service vehicles;
  - e) P60 parking time restriction between 8:00am and 6:00pm on Mondays to Fridays, applied to Ardmore Street at the location highlighted in the map in Attachment C.
- 26 Timing of implementation and enforcement of the new parking arrangements is dependent upon the installation of signage which has been ordered.

## **Lease for Wanaka Watersports Facility Trust**

- 27 Lease preparation has commenced but is on hold pending the outcome of the resource consent process. It is expected that it may take until later in 2016 for the resource consent to be issued.
- 28 The resource consent application was lodged at the end of August and has been publicly notified with submissions closing on 10 December 2015. A hearing will take place early in the new year to consider the submissions. At the time of writing, it is understood that about 100 submissions have been received.

## **Reports from Liaison Positions, Community Associations and recent Council meetings**

- 29 Members are invited to report on the Board-related activities they have been involved in since the date of the last meeting and Councillors are asked to comment on any matters of interest to the Board from recent Council meetings.

## **Attachments**

- A WellSouth Primary Health Network smoke-free proposal
- B Brownston Street Carpark (Bullock Creek Lane) new parking restriction
- C Ardmore Street new parking restriction
- D 2015/16 Annual Plan Wanaka Community Board projects



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# PROPOSAL FOR A SMOKEFREE WANAKA SPORTS FACILITY

To: Wanaka Community Board

Submitted by: WellSouth Primary Health Network (Sarah Berger)

With support from Smokefree Central Otago & Wakatipu Coalition (members include Cancer Society, Dunstan Hospital, Public Health South and Uruuruwhenua Health Inc.)

## Proposal

Wanaka Sports Facility is designated Smokefree.

## Rationale:

The new Wanaka Sports Facility is a long awaited and exciting facility for residents and visitors to the Upper Clutha. Designating it Smokefree from the beginning will be a proactive move from QLDC, demonstrating leadership by promoting a Smokefree lifestyle as being both desirable and the norm in the region.

The Council will send a positive message that our children and young people's health, and the environment should be protected from the effects of smoking. A Smokefree environment is congruent with a facility designed to encourage physical activity and community involvement.

The New Zealand government is committed to the goal of a Smokefree Aotearoa by 2025. This will mean:

- that our children and grandchildren will be free from tobacco and enjoy tobacco free lives
- that almost no-one will smoke (less than 5% of the population will be current smokers); and
- it will be very difficult to sell or supply tobacco.

It will be achieved by:

- protecting children from exposure to tobacco marketing and promotion;
- reducing the supply of, and demand for tobacco; and
- providing the best possible support for quitting.

Local and regional initiatives to make communities Smokefree are currently being encouraged. Children's play areas, parks, beaches, marae, shopping precincts, urban areas and other public areas all over New Zealand have been designated Smokefree.

Most recently Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) has decided to advocate for legislation to prohibit smoking in the outdoor areas of bars, cafes and restaurants.



Locally, Queenstown Lakes District Council already acknowledges the benefits of Smokefree areas and has policies of Smokefree playgrounds and swimming pools. This year, Cardrona Alpine Resort and Cromwell Heritage Precinct have become Smokefree and CODC has adopted a Smokefree Parks and Reserves policy.

Parks, reserves, lake fronts and outdoor recreation areas, where children and young people gather are logical next steps to progress towards Smokefree.

### **Benefits:**

**Family environment:** The facility will be used by children, youth, families and visitors. As an environment used by families and the local community, it is entirely appropriate to encourage visitors to be Smokefree. Exposure to tobacco has serious effects on children. Passive smoking in children is correlated with high rates of asthma, coughs, reduced lung function and slow lung development, respiratory illnesses such as pneumonia and bronchitis. Furthermore, children who are frequently exposed to smoking are more likely to perceive it as normal and become smokers themselves. The more places that are Smokefree, the more likely it is that smoking will be seen as less normal and more harmful.

Research also shows that those who trying to quit are supported by Smokefree environments, as they don't have to face the opportunity to smoke.

**Cigarette Litter and Odour:** Cigarette butts on the ground and a smell of smoke in the air, or on the side-lines, is incompatible with a sports facility.

**Workplace:** The Smokefree Environments Act 2004 ("SFA"): The SFA forbids smoking in workplaces and in public indoor and some outdoor areas. Wanaka Sports Facility will be a workplace and workers are entitled to Smokefree environments.

### **Smokefree:**

The negative effects of tobacco smoking are well known. However, some of the key points include:

- Smoking kills about 5,000 New Zealanders each year.
- Evidence indicates a correlation between the frequency that children witness smoking (thereby normalising the behavior) and the likelihood that they will themselves initiate smoking.
- The majority of New Zealanders are non-smokers. Only 15.1% of New Zealand adults over 15 are smokers (2013) and of this group, 80% want to quit. Having Smokefree environments represents the views of the majority and supports those who want to quit.



Smokefree/Auahi Kore is the Health Promotion Agency's (HPA), brand for tobacco control. Smokefree/Auahi Kore is represented in various types of social marketing and has also become synonymous with indicating physical spaces in which smoking is not permitted by legislation or desired through the request of the community, businesses, etc. The Smokefree/Auahi Kore logo represents a blue wave of fresh air, and the green wave of fresh lands. The words 'Auahi Kore' describe being smokefree.



## **Barriers**

A potential barrier raised is how to communicate Smokefree to visitors from other countries.

Internationally Smokefree outdoor public places are not new. In Australia, many outdoor public places have been Smokefree for many years. Tourists understand that they can't smoke everywhere and this is understood if signage is clear.

To communicate to non-English/Te Reo speaking tourists, the international no smoking sign (red circle with a diagonal line over a cigarette) can be used alongside the Smokefree brand on signage.

## **How to be Smokefree?**

### **Smokefree Policy:**

We propose that the Wanaka Sports Facility has a written Smokefree Policy (assistance can be provided with this). This would apply to all areas of the Facility, car park and grounds. Smokefree would be included in the Terms and Conditions of any events or groups hiring or using the Facility.

The Smokefree Policy would be non-regulatory. This means that the Council is not banning smoking nor can people be fined for it. Instead the policy encourages people to refrain from smoking and will focus on education and awareness through adequate signage. The policy needs to be visible, thus the Smokefree status needs to be incorporated into your signage or with separate signs.



### **Signage and getting the message out:**

Signage provides visitors with clear information that smoking is not permitted, but also empowers people to ask smokers not to smoke in that area. Organisations have found that generally most smokers are considerate when informed about Smokefree.

Signage would need to be visible on entrance to the Sports Facility and at various places around the grounds.

The Smokefree logo should be included on the Council website information about the Facility, the Facility's own website (if applicable) and any publicity material to ensure the message is consistently communicated.

### **Support:**

There will be access to a group of positive health professionals who will assist you to become Smokefree; WellSouth Primary Health Network, Cancer Society and Public Health South.

### **Summary**

There is overwhelming public support by non-smokers and smokers for more Smokefree public areas and this is very apparent at a local level. Smokefree is harmonious with physical activity, a family friendly facility and the beautiful environment of Wanaka.

This is an exciting opportunity for Wanaka to introduce more Smokefree public areas and we would like to ask for the support of the Wanaka Community Board.

### **Contact:**

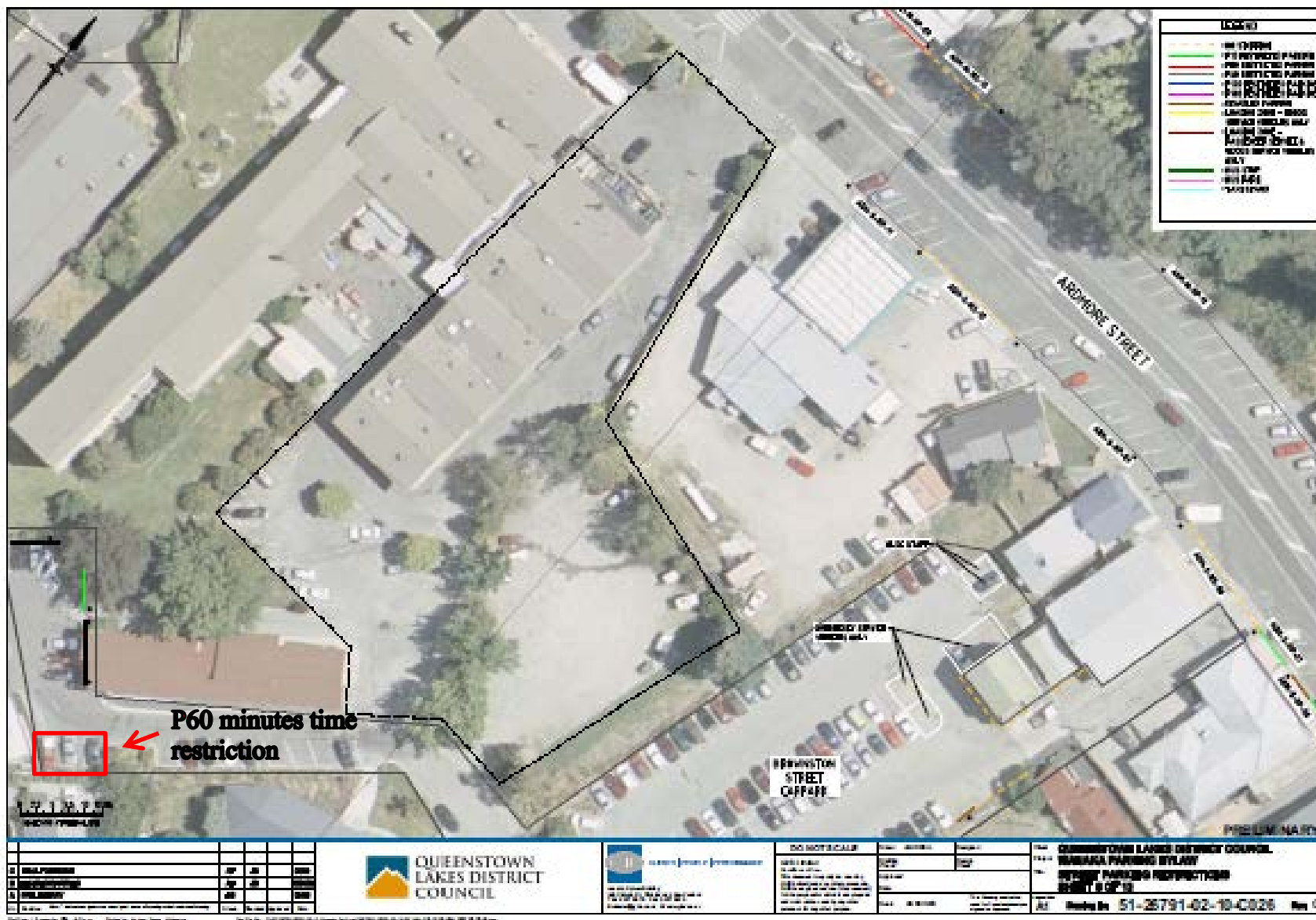
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Attachment B: Brownston Street Carpark (Bullock Creek Lane) – new parking restriction



# Attachment C: Ardmore Street – new parking restriction



# Wanaka Annual Plan projects 2015/16

Activity	Area	Project	Budget	Progress Update
Governance	Wanaka Ward	Emergency Management	\$0.00	EMO action is awaited.
Economic Development	Lake Wanaka Tourism		\$738,000.00	
	Wanaka Property	The Cube	\$200,000.00	As per plan
		Wanaka Office upgrade		Deferred
		Scurr Heights		Being considered in property review.
		Ballantyne Road Ponds Site		Being considered in property review.
		Fire Station site		Indicated desire to acquire.
	Wanaka Airport	Operating Costs		
		Capital Costs		
		Wastewater connection to Project Pure		Being designed.
		Proposal to buy more land for hangars		Identified for property review.
	Wanaka Sports Facilities	Two Indoor Courts, Artificial Turf and Carpark	\$11,700,000.00	Under Construction
	Glendhu Bay boat ramp	Install three more slabs	\$8,000.00	When lake is low
	Ruby Island	New Toilet	\$39,000.00	
	Aspiring Road	Replace Permaloo Toilet with a Exeloo	\$17,000.00	\$130000 next year
	Skatepark extension			Under construction.
	Cardrona Hall	Foundation Improvements	\$30,000.00	
	Hawea Flat Hall	?	\$50,000.00	
	Lake Wanaka Centre	Renewals	\$150,000.00	
	Arts Centre	?	\$10,000.00	
Operations	Reserve Works	Minor Renewal	\$145,000.00	
	Street Tree Replacement Program	2-3 Streets per year ?	\$30,000.00	
	Wanaka Recreation Reserve	Field Development	\$200,000.00	
	Wanaka Recreation Reserve	Replacement and new fencing	\$105,000.00	
	Pembroke Park	Path/Track Work/Landscaping	\$100,000.00	
	Luggate Domain	Playground Renewal	\$77,000.00	
	Peter Fraser Park	Playground Renewal	\$69,000.00	
	Albert Town Lagoon	Lagoon Project	\$10,000.00	
	Wanaka Lakefront Reserves	Network Plan	\$30,000.00	
	Domini Park	Playground Renewal	\$12,000.00	
	Rimu Lane	Playground Renewal	\$8,000.00	
	Makarora	ORFA Storage Shed	\$170,000.00	
	Hawea Track		\$63,000.00	
	Glendhu Bay Track		\$9,000.00	
	Gladstone Track		\$16,000.00	
	Wanaka Swimming Pool - new	Construct	\$6,814,000.00	\$5,467,000 in FY 16/17
	Wanaka Swimming Pool - existing	Equipment renewals & Renovations ?	\$5,000.00	
	Roy's Bay	Planning and Construction of Commercial Jetty	\$250,000.00	
	Waterways Facilities	Minor Repairs and Renewal	\$10,000.00	
	Albert Town	Ramp Extension and Upgrade	\$20,000.00	
Water Supply	Renewals		\$296,000.00	
	Fire fighting upgrade Mt Aspiring Road		\$335,000.00	Carried Forward
	Wanaka Yacht Club Borefield - Stage 1		\$319,000.00	
Stormwater	Renewals		\$82,000.00	
	Bremner Park upgrade (interim solution)		\$165,000.00	Carried Forward
Wastewater	Renewals		\$142,000.00	
	Edgewater gravity sewer upgrade		\$322,000.00	Stage 2 starting Sep
	Aubrey Road East network extension		\$635,000.00	Carried forward
	Cardrona new scheme	Interim Wastewater - Purchase Baxter 2009 private system	\$580,000.00	
	Gordon Road		\$52,000.00	
Roading and Footpaths	Sealed road resurfacing		\$1,224,000.00	
	Unsealed road metalling		\$638,000.00	
	Ardmore Street	Paving extension	?	July

Beacon Point Road	K&C and Footpath to Roto	\$521,000.00	Carried Forward
Minor improvements (subsidised)		\$225,000.00	Need to identify and agree work
Minor improvements (non- subsidised)		\$253,000.00	Need to identify and agree work
Brownston Street	Parking	?	Carried Forward
Otta Seal Programme			Need to identify and agree work
Transport Strategy	Implementation	\$151,000.00	
Plus:			
Transport and parking strategy review			Ongoing
Pedestrian connection including bridge between two Tenby Streets over Bullock Creek			Being designed.
Ballantyne/Riverbank Roads intersection - safety improvement and full redesign.			To be addressed as part of Transport Strategy.