

**Wanaka Community Board
25 October 2017**

Report for Agenda Item: 1

Department: Property & Infrastructure

Affected Person's Approval – Warbirds Over Wanaka Community Trust

Purpose

To consider granting Affected Person's Approval for the Warbirds Over Wanaka Lakeside Event, for the resource consent application RM170871, to use Roys Bay Recreation as a base area for a bi-annual airshow.

Recommendation

That the Wanaka Community Board:

1. **Note** the contents of this report;
2. **Execute** affected person's approval for resource consent application RM170871 for the purpose of operating the lake side portion of the Warbirds Over Wanaka Airshow.
3. **Delegate** execution of the affected person's approval to the General Manager of Property and Infrastructure.

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Background

- 1 The Warbirds Over Wanaka Lakeside Event has been held previously in 2014 and 2016. This portion of the event is held in association with the main Warbirds Over Wanaka International Airshow, which is based at the Wanaka Airport.
- 2 The purpose of the lakeside event is to thank the community for their support, and to promote the major event happening at the airport over the rest of the weekend.

- 3 The applicant is currently seeking resource consent from QLDC to undertake the activity. As landowner of the reserve where the airshow would be based from, QLDC has been asked to provide affected person's approval for resource consent application RM170871.
- 4 The applicant wishes to use the reserve as a base area for the airshow display. This base area will involve a stage, commemorative vehicles, fundraising marquee and additional toilets. The applicant has provided a copy of their Assessment of Effects and event schedule which is included as Attachment A.

Comment

- 5 The lakeside portion of the event involves the use of the reserve known as Roys Bay Recreation Reserve. The area is legally described as Section 11 and Part Section 7 Block XV Town of Wanaka. For details of the location, please refer to the location maps shown in Attachment B.
- 6 The event is planned to be bi-annual beginning Friday 30th March 2018. It is expected the air show will only last for 30 minutes, between 4.30pm – 5.00pm.
- 7 The applicant will remain obligated to gain permission from QLDC via a hire agreement to use the reserve area. This agreement will outline the specifics of what is authorised year-to-year.
- 8 The resource consent application is for a total of five years, this would allow the applicant to operate the festival 3 times on a bi-annual basis, starting with the first festival on 30 March 2018. The event will be held on Good Friday during each year.
- 9 Council's roading department have been consulted on the event and will authorise a Traffic Management Plan prior to the event each year.

Options

- 10 Option 1 Grant Affected Persons Approval to Warbirds Over Wanaka Community Trust, in relation to resource consent application RM170871.

Advantages:

- 11 Will allow the resource consent for the event to be granted as an APA is required from the land owner.
- 12 An opportunity for Council to support a popular event in the region.
- 13 It is consistent with other previous decisions made by Council.

Disadvantages:

- 14 Potential disruption to users of the reserve area.
- 15 Option 2 Decline Affected Persons Approval to Warbirds Over Wanaka Trust, in relation to resource consent application RM170871.

Advantages:

16 None noted.

Disadvantages:

17 Will not allow a resource consent to be completed for the event.

18 This report recommends **Option 1** for addressing the matter, as it will enable the event to continue as planned and enable resource consent to be completed.

Significance and Engagement

19 This matter is of medium significance, as determined by reference to the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy because the decision relates to a Council strategic asset and is reserve used by a large number of local rate payers as well as many visiting guests.

Risk

20 This matter related to the operational risk OR011A Decision Making as documented in the Council's risk register. The risk is classed as moderate. This matter relates to this risk as it requires a decision from Council for an ongoing event.

Financial Implications

21 There are no financial implication with approving this request.

Council Policies, Strategies and Bylaws

22 The following Council policies, strategies and bylaws were considered:

- Significance and Engagement Policy 2014.
- Wanaka Lakefront Reserves Management Plan

23 The recommended option is consistent with the principles set out in the named policy/policies.

24 This matter is included in the 10-Year Plan/Annual Plan, and can be monitored under existing Property and Infrastructure operating budgets.

Local Government Act 2002 Purpose Provisions

25 The recommended option:

- Will help meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions in a way that is most cost-effective for households and businesses by providing a timely decision to a community group within the District;
- Can be implemented through current funding under the 10-Year Plan and Annual Plan;
- Is consistent with the Council's plans and policies; and

- Would not alter significantly the intended level of service provision for any significant activity undertaken by or on behalf of the Council, or transfer the ownership or control of a strategic asset to or from the Council.

Consultation: Community Views and Preferences

26 The persons who are affected by or interested in this matter are the users of the reserve area.

Attachments

- A Assessment of Effects
- B Location maps

Attachment A

ASSESSMENT OF EFFECTS

Type of Event – The Warbirds Over Wanaka Lakeside Event has been previously held in 2014 and 2016 and we are seeking consent to hold this event in association with Warbirds Over Wanaka International Airshows from 2018 to 2026. The event consists of a short (half hour duration) FREE community airshow over the lake. The purpose of this event is to thank the local community for their support, and to generally promote the major event happening at the airport over the rest of the weekend.

Dates of Event – The event is held late afternoon (generally 4.30pm to 5pm) every second Good Friday. In 2018 this is Friday, March 30th. Should the weather prevent the event going ahead it would be cancelled for that year.

Event Run Sheet –

0600 – Carpark area required for set up is closed by TMP/Security team by use of cones

12.00 – Start of set up of sound system based in the carpark and remote speakers installed along the lakefront. Arrival and installation of additional portaloos.

1400 – From this time other infrastructure is put in place including the RNZAF recruitment bus, Warhorse re-enactors with field gun, and a community fund raising marquee.

1600 – Music is played to entertain the arriving crowd including a performance by the Frankie Singers. A female singing group who dress in period uniform/costume and sing WWII songs.

1630 – Airshow performance begins with commentary provided from small stage set up as part of sound system.

17.00 – Airshow performance ends and crowd disperse

17.15 – Clean up crew begins 2 x sweeps of length of Wanaka Waterfront picking up existing and any new rubbish. All rubbish is removed from site and either recycled or sent to landfill. All infrastructure is pulled down and removed. Cones closing off the carpark are removed.

18.30 – All vehicles, infrastructure etc are gone from the site

Contacts for Event Management Team:

General Manager: Ed Taylor 0274 307 549

Aerial Display Co-ordinator: Grant Bissett 0274 323 121

Sound System: Grenville Craig 0274 370 330

On-water safety manager: Marty Black 0274 345 289

Transport Details – Experience of the last two airshows has shown that because the lakeside event is held on a non-commercial trading day (Good Friday) there is ample parking in the general Wanaka CBD area for those wishing to drive to the event. Many of those who come to the lakefront do so by foot from nearby homes and visitor accommodation. The event is also viewed from many vantage points other than the lakefront itself (eg Lismore Park, Eely Point, Waterfall Creek and balconies of CBD businesses) thus taking pressure off parking in the CBD.

We have a Traffic Management Plan (see attached report) for the closing off of the carpark we use to base our sound system etc for the event otherwise there are no street closures or other disruptions to normal traffic flows apart from some congestion in the general area in the half hour leading up to the event and for the half hour afterwards.

Toilets - We provide an additional 4 x Portaloo toilets in the vicinity of the event base to complement the existing public toilets at both ends of the lakefront. This level of toilets provided has proven to be more than adequate given the short duration of this event (half an hour).

Noise – We play music over our sound system from 4pm to entertain the crowd as they start arriving and finding their spot along the lakefront. We also

provide a performance by the Frankie Singers to entertain the crowd just prior to the event start. During the half hour event there will be aircraft noise over the lake plus a commentary of what spectators are seeing happen overhead. The sound system will be shut down by 5.15pm at the latest. This event is staged away from residential areas. It has previously been held in 2014 and 2016 and there have been no complaints of any nature.

Security, Safety and Event Management - The General Manager liaises directly with all relevant major emergency services (Police, St John, Fire and Coastguard) in the week's prior to the event and they have attended in the past.

We have a separate Water Safety Plan which is compiled, approved and implemented by the QLDC Harbour Master. This plan includes the provision of Harbourmaster staff on jet skis with other water-borne craft on standby in case of an emergency. A fully qualified diver is also on hand should they be required as part of any rescue.

The Aerial Display Co-ordinator is responsible for our Aerial Safety Plan which includes all display pilots being sufficiently briefed before the event. This briefing includes pilots being aware of various alternative landing strips in case of an emergency. We include CAA signoff for the event.

Recycling/Waste Management - We employ a team for the clean up after the completion of the event. This group works under the direction of the GM and is tasked with making 2 sweeps of the lakefront from the Log Cabin to the Mt Aspiring Road end of the lakefront (experience at the last two events is that a majority of the rubbish they do pick up has obviously been on the lakefront prior to our event!!). All waste/recycling collected is removed from the site and diverted to either the landfill or Wanaka Wastebusters.

Sale of Liquor Act – This is an alcohol-free event.

Attachment B - Location Maps

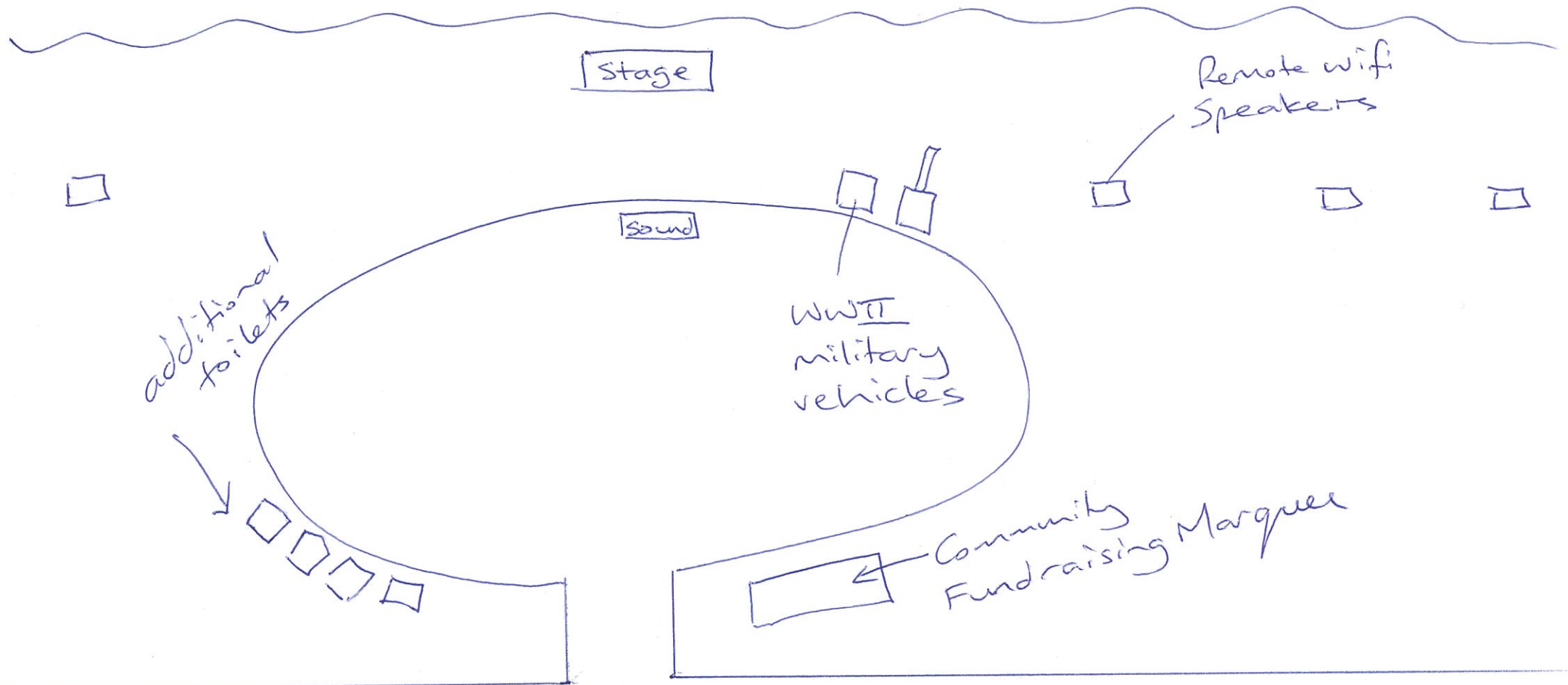


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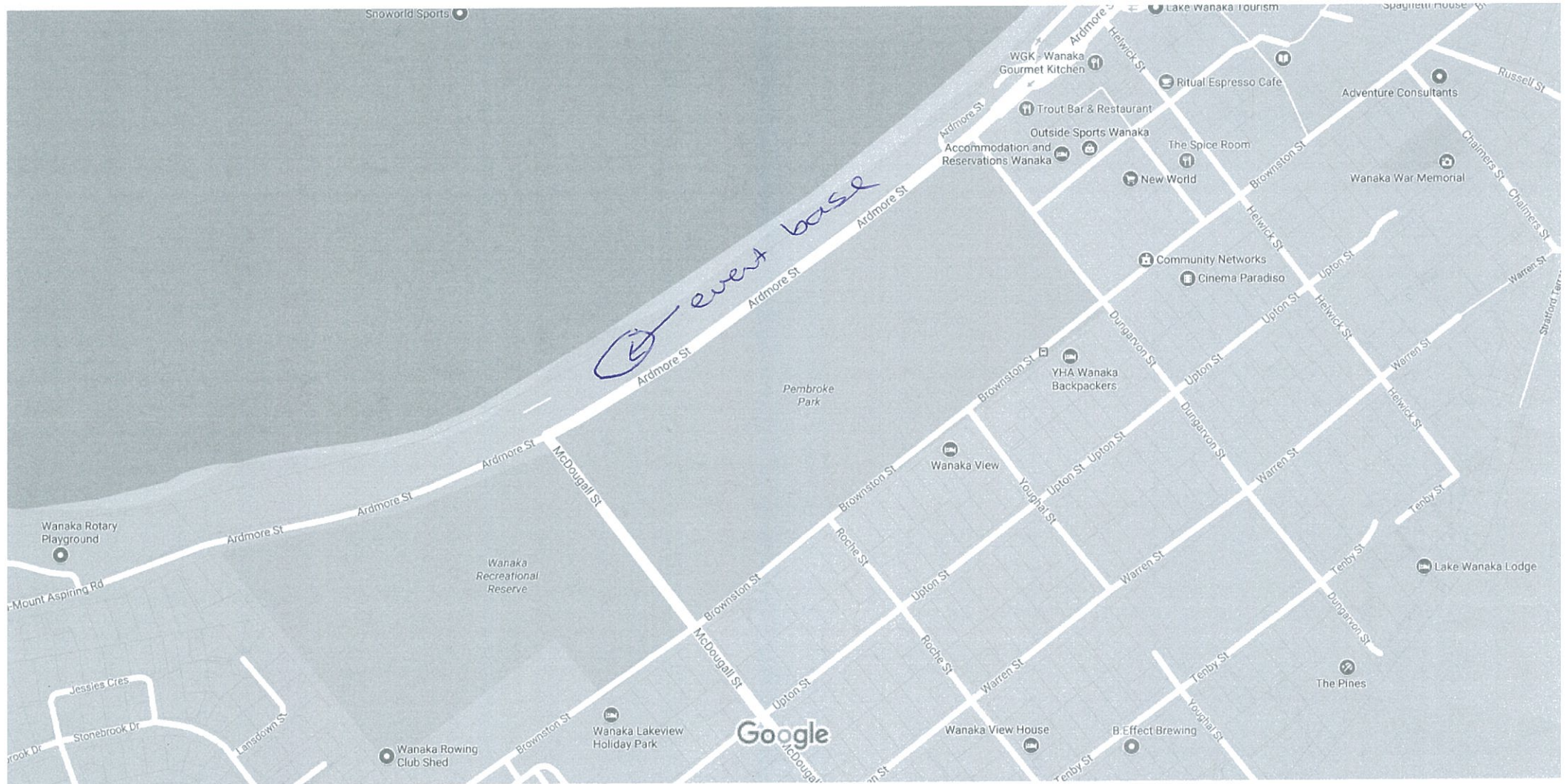
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