

Wanaka Community Board 30 November 2017

Report for Agenda Item: 4

Department: Community Services

Proposal to Vest Lands between Mt Iron Drive and Mercury Place, Wanaka, as Reserve and to Offset Reserve Land and Reserve Improvements Contributions as per the Development Contributions Policy

Purpose

To consider recommending to Council that it approve the vesting of two proposed walkway reserves identified within a development by Allenby Farms Ltd, and to accept the offset of reserve land and reserve improvement development contributions for those reserves.

Recommendation

That the Wanaka Community Board:

- 1 **Recommend to Council** the vesting of the two identified proposed Local Purpose Reserves (access) be approved;
 - a. Lots 97 and 99, Allenby Farms Limited, Mount Iron Drive, Wanaka.
 - subject to the following works being undertaken at the applicant's expense:
 - i. Consent being granted (as necessary) for any subdivision required to formally create the reserve;
 - ii. Presentation of the reserve in accordance with Council's standards for reserves;
 - iii. A continuous sealed path of minimum 2 meter width being provided;
 - iv. The registration of a fencing covenant under s6 of the Fencing Act 1978 on the reserves to vest in QLDC to protect the Council from liability to contribute towards any work on a fence between a public reserve vested in or administered by the Council and any adjoining land:
 - v. A three year maintenance period by the current landowner commencing from vesting of the reserve;
 - vi. Vesting of reserves to be undertaken in accordance with the QLDC Vesting of Roads and Reserves Policy.
- 2 Recommend to Council that reserve land contributions are offset in accordance with the Development Contributions Policy current at the time of contributions

payment and the Parks and Open Space Strategy 2017, subject to recommendation three above.

- 3 Recommend to Council that reserve improvement contributions are offset against the cost of the paths within the reserves, in accordance with the Development Contributions Policy current at the time of contributions payment, subject to:
 - a. Detailed design plans for the reserves to be submitted and the approval of these to be delegated to the Parks and Reserves Planning Manager.
 - b. Final approval of reserve improvement costs to be delegated to the Parks and Reserves Planning Manager and is subject to the applicant demonstrating the actual costs of the improvements.
 - c. If the cost of work to construct the approved plans exceeds the contributions available to be credited, the additional cost shall be at the applicant's expense.

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Background

- 1 Two proposed reserves within the same development are addressed by this report.
- 2 The developer for the Mount Iron Drive development, Allenby Farms Limited, has resource consent RM170775 pending for subdivision to create six residential allotments, one access road, and two local purpose reserves. The location of the development is described as a 6.861m² back lot located along the west side of Mount Iron Drive, Wanaka. Proposed Lot 97 (390m²) Local Purpose Reserve (access) is to provide a pedestrian/cycle linkage between two roads. Lot 99 (230m²) is similarly proposed as a Local Purpose Reserve (access) to provide a pedestrian/cycle linkage between two roads. The reserves are illustrated in Attachment A. Both reserves have been identified in the pending resource consent.

Comment

3 The potential reserves in the Allenby Farms Limited development will provide linkages that will assist with pedestrian and cycle movement. The proposed reserves are consistent with the 'connections' parks and open space typology as identified in the Parks and Open Space Strategy 2017.

4 Reserve land and reserve improvement contributions will be offset in accordance with the Development Contributions Policy current at the time of contributions payment. The recommended option ensures that reserve improvement contributions will only be offset against the cost of the paths, that the offsets will reflect the actual cost of the works and that Council will not meet any costs of work that exceed the value of contributions required.

Options

5 Option 1 Accept the proposal for the vesting of the reserves and to offset reserve land and reserve improvement contributions as per the Development Contributions Policy and the Parks and Open Space Strategy 2017.

Advantages:

- 6 The land is proposed to be vested in Council at no cost.
- 7 The vesting of the reserves will confirm what is envisaged and in accordance with the Resource Consent application for the development.

Disadvantages:

- 8 Council will have to maintain or manage the reserves at a cost to the ratepayer after three years.
- 9 Option 2 Reject or modify the proposal for the vesting of the reserves and to offset reserve land and reserve improvement contributions as per the Development Contributions Policy and the Parks and Open Space Strategy 2017.

Advantages:

10 Council will not have to maintain/manage the reserves at a cost to the ratepayer.

Disadvantages:

- 11 Council will refuse areas of land being offered at no cost.
- 12 The areas of reserve have been identified through the resource consent application and not vesting them could create conflicts with any associated grant of Resource Consent.
- 13 This report recommends **Option 1** for addressing the matter.

Significance and Engagement

14 This matter is of low significance, as determined by reference to the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy because there will be little impact on Council's function if the recommended option is taken.

Risk

15 This matter related to the operational risk OR002 and OR010b. OR002 relates to an Increase in Expenditure and OR010b relates to Damage or loss to third party

- asset or property as documented in the Council's risk register. The risks are classed as moderate.
- 16 This matter relates to this risk because accepting the land will increase Council's expenditure on maintenance after the initial land owner maintenance period. The recommended option ensures conditions are required to be met in terms of reserve specifications prior to handover to Council which should ensure expenditure on maintenance is at anticipated levels. The vesting is also in accordance with the Parks and Open Space Strategy 2017 further reducing risk of judicial review of any decision to accept the land.

Financial Implications

17 The applicants will be required to maintain the reserves for the first three years. Following this point provision will need to be made available within Council's maintenance budgets.

Council Policies, Strategies and Bylaws

- 18 The following Council policies were considered:
 - Significance and Engagement Policy
 - Parks and Open Space Strategy 2017
 - Development Contributions Policy
 - Vesting of Roads and Reserves Policy

Local Government Act 2002 Purpose Provisions

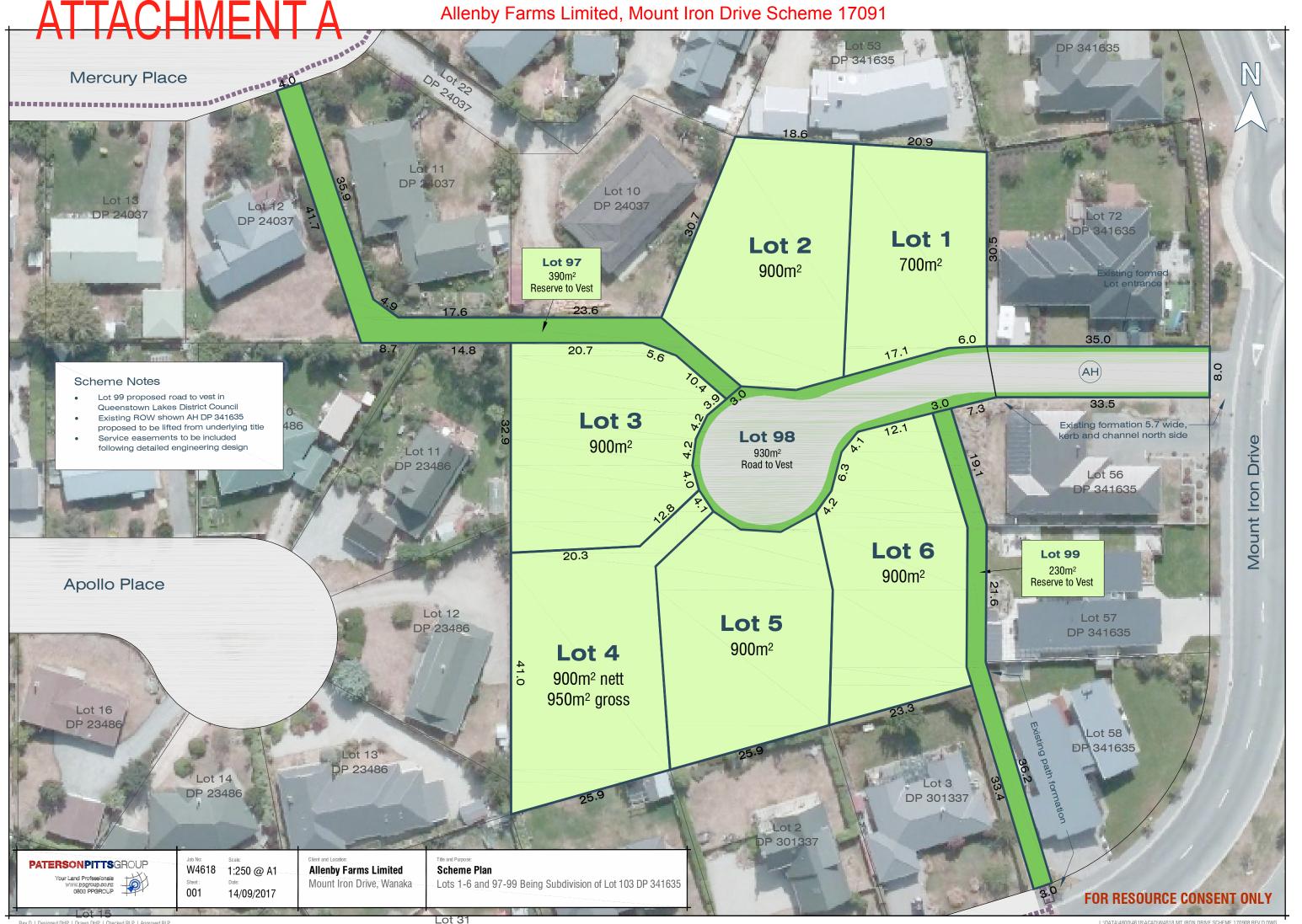
19 In relation to section 10(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 2002 the proposed activity involves meeting the current and future needs of the Queenstown community for good quality local public services in a way that is most cost effective for households and businesses.

Consultation: Community Views and Preferences

- 20 The persons who are affected by or interested in this matter are residents/ratepayers of the Queenstown Lakes District community.
- 21 No specific media statement or public communication is considered necessary.

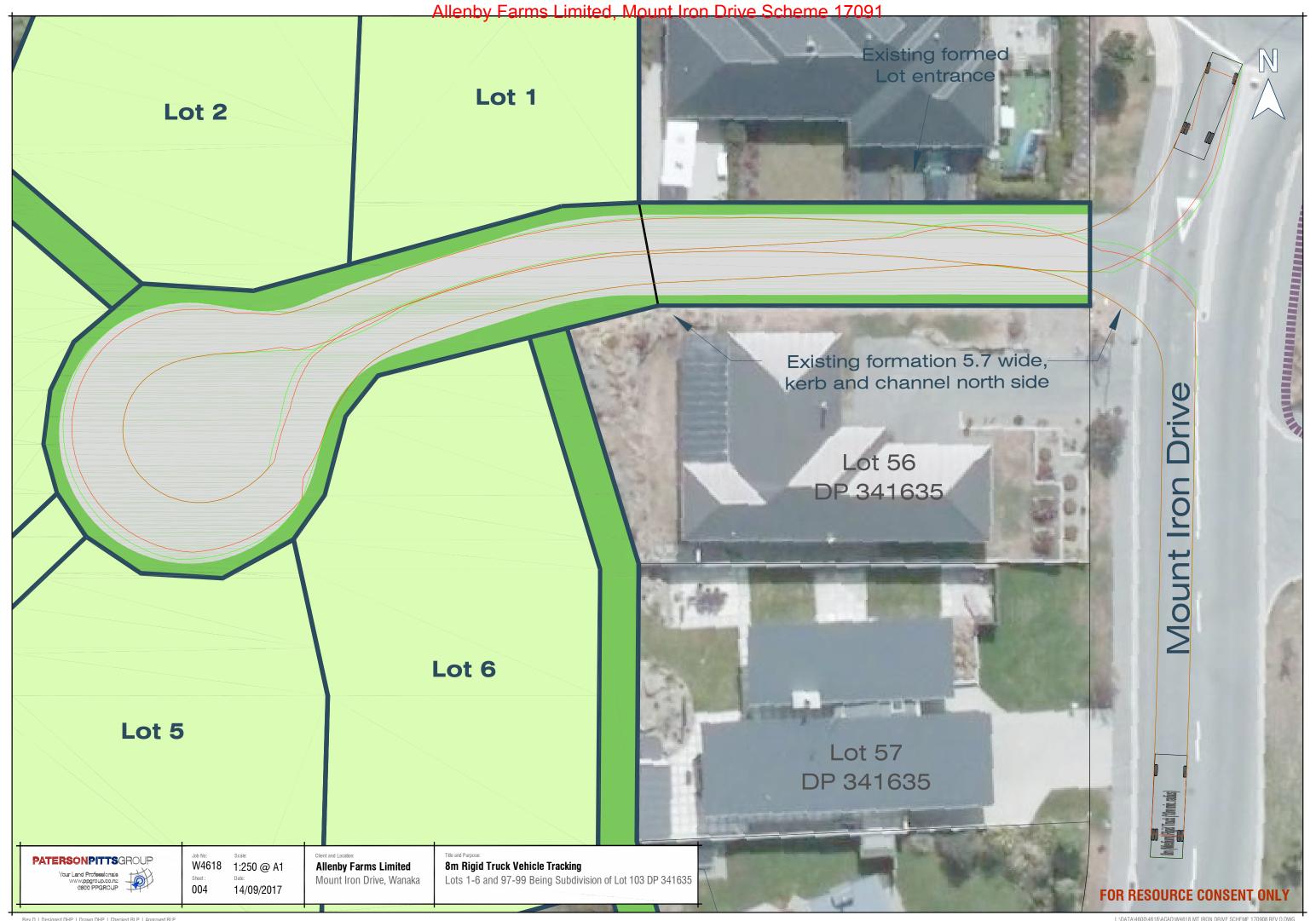
Attachments

A Allenby Farms Limited, Mount Iron Drive Scheme 17091

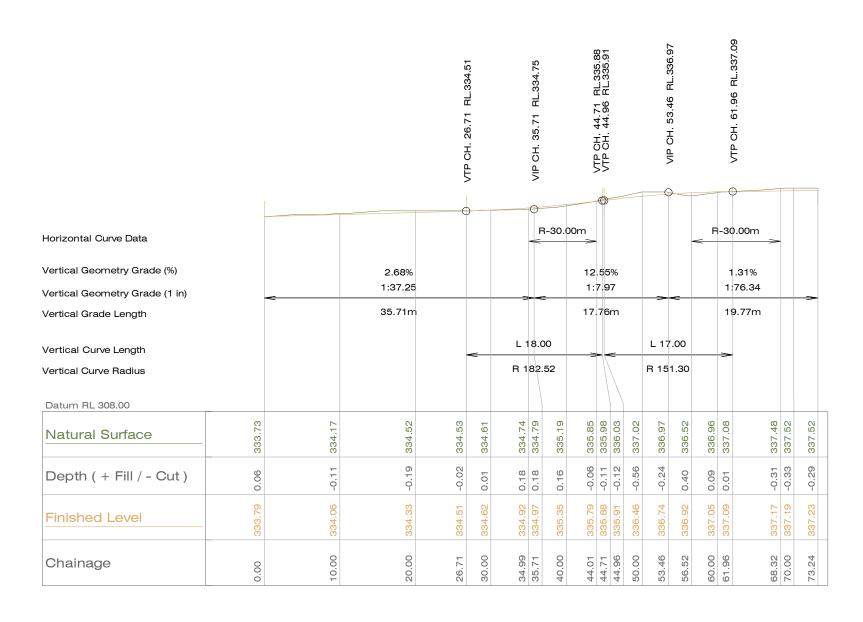


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Allenby Farms Limited
Mount Iron Drive, Wanaka

Road Long Section
Lots 1-6 and 97-99 Being Subdivision of Lot 103 DP 341635

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