

CONVENTIONS AND INCENTIVES NEW ZEALAND

6 Other Comments

Would you like to comment on any other aspect of this draft 10 Year Plan?

Conferences and Incentives New Zealand (CINZ) are responding to the invitation for submissions on the Queenstown Lake District Councils (QLDC) 10 year plan 2015-2025. The consultation document has requested feedback specifically on the revised rating model for the Queenstown Convention Centre. CINZ do not wish to comment specifically on the rating model, and wish to make the observation that from our experience as the central player in both developing the business case and bringing together the parties for the National Convention Centre, the nature of the asset and the associated market externalities make the financing of this type of infrastructure very challenging at a local or regional government level. However we do wish to confirm support for the development of a Council Lead Convention Centre in the centre of Queenstown. Introduction CINZ is an Industry Association that represents 400 Conference and Incentive (C&I) Business's in New Zealand with 40 members based in Queenstown. CINZ represents a range of Conference and Incentive business's including hospitality, accommodation, venues, attractions, audio visual, theming, entertainment, retail as well as related tourism services. A key role of CINZ is to be the voice of the C&I industry, which includes education, communication, advocacy, events, and membership and business services. Queenstown as a C&I destination is supported strongly by Air New Zealand in conjunction with their alliance partner Virgin Australia in bringing in Conference Delegates to Queenstown. Comment Queenstown is an integral part of Conferencing in NZ both in the domestic and ex Australian market. Growth for Queenstown as a C&I destination has grown significantly since 2011. Seasonality is a long standing issue within the NZ Tourism industry and Conferencing is widely acknowledged to reduce seasonal fluctuations in visitor demand in Queenstown. The construction of a Queenstown Convention Centre offers a valuable tool to tackle the seasonality issue. Conference Delegates visitors are recognised as high-spending visitors, • On average domestic delegates spend \$483 per night and stay on average 2.9 nights in the event region (1). • On average International delegates (Australia and other International) spend \$304 per night and stay on average 4.5 nights in the event region (1) Employment on opening of the Convention Centre will result in increased full-time employment far greater than the C&I sector into all supporting industries including retail, hospitality, and transport. CINZ invests in growing convention visitors to New Zealand through the following activity; • Own and manage MEETINGS Business Events trade show, New Zealand's largest trade show dedicated to growing C&I business in New Zealand • Manage the NZ Stand at the Australian events of AIME, Professional Conference Organizer's and Associations Forum providing the opportunity for CINZ Members to grow the C&I Business from Australia • Hosting Australian Convention Buyers on familiarisations to New Zealand, in partnership with the relevant Convention Bureaux, including Queenstown Convention Bureau • Dedicated staff based in Sydney targeting C&I business into the Convention Bureaux including Queenstown Convention Bureau Should QLDC proceed with the development of a Convention Centre, CINZ will actively work with the Queenstown Convention Bureau to support the growth of convention business to Queenstown through our current distribution channels. Any enquires relating to this submission should be made to the Chief Executive, Sue Sullivan at sue@nzconventions.co.nz Yours sincerely Sue Sullivan Chief Executive CINZ

Tapper, Jules

LAKES DISTRICT AIR RESCUE TRUST

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Please see attached.



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Lakes District Air Rescue Trust

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RJ Tapper ONZM

Secretary

AE Hill

Financial Controller

AJ Richardson CA, B Com

Trustees

New Zealand Police/SAR

JF Fookes

District Ambulance Service

KL Perriman/KG Raymond

District Medical Profession

Dr TR Cruickshank BMBS (Nothingham), FRNZCGP

Operator Member – Heliworks

RJ Mills/SM Theyes

Operator Member – SLHL

RJ Hayes MNZM / LN Matheson QSM

Charitable Entity

Registration number CC32003

Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited

Registered Office

160 Centennial Avenue

Arrowtown

Company Number

4050979

Directors

RJ Tapper ONZM

AE Hill

AJ Richardson CA, B Com

Shareholder

Lakes District Air Rescue Trust – 3000 Shares

Charitable Entity

Registration number CC49904

31 March 2015

Introductory note to the Councillors of Invercargill City Council,
Southland District Council and the Queenstown Lakes District Council

Dear Councillors

I attach herewith the submission from the Lakes District Air Rescue Trust requesting support for the emergency helicopter service conducted by our subsidiary company Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Ltd. The Trust has operated throughout this southern region for the past 23 years. It is not fully funded by its major user NASO (ACC & the Ministry of Health) with substantial shortfalls in recent times as the supporting information shows.

As you read through the details contained herein you will realise that 'changing goalposts' have not been favourable for the Trust in the last two years since a new Government contract was let which also coincided with a rapid rise in calls for assistance.

I hope our request for support will find favour with you all, as it is felt that the financial ask, spread over the regions ratepayers is the most equitable method of funding the NASO shortfall we are experiencing as we provide this essential emergency infrastructure service in the wider area.

Yours faithfully



R J Tapper ONZM

Chairman
Lakes District Air Rescue Trust
Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited

Executive Summary:

Lake District Air Rescue Trust (LDART) support funding request

LDART has operated successfully in the area for 23 years from bases in Queenstown and Te Anau. It provides essential emergency services in the region mainly in a line Haast to Alexandra, thence to Stewart Island and all that area south and west of that line including into the southern oceans. The organisation must be doing something right after three of its active Trustees have over the past 18 years received high honours from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II for services to the aviation / EMS industry!

70 to 80% of missions are requested by NASO (ACC& MOH) Since 1 April 2013 this service is now not fully funded. In the past when called they paid at the preagreed hourly rate. Under the current NASO contract which has 3 more years to run, total funding is now capped at a set figure annually relative to hours flown - and serious underfunding occurs if those flying hours are exceeded.

The hour cap was fixed with all Trusts relative to the previous year's record levels pre contract. However since that date assistance callouts have increased markedly. Government expects communities to support any shortfall.

It is felt that extra support of the Trust can best be achieved through council support from QLDC, SDC and the ICC as the amount sought per ratepayer is the most equitable way of spreading the financial assistance across the whole region. By comparison I would note that the southern regions contribution towards the Forsyth Barr stadium was allocated against ratepayers at a much higher level and was in a 'nice to have' category compared with our 'essential emergency service.'

The financial support sought is a commitment from the three southern councils over three years to the level of \$50,000 per council per annum.

LDART has the lowest operating overheads of any Trust in NZ. Most other areas receive substantial community / council support. Until now with its low cost model, LDART has not had to seek major additional funding. The present ask is modest as a contribution towards this essential service. Major businesses cannot be expected to contribute continually as some feel it is double dipping relative to the current substantial contributions they already pay through ACC levies.

Other Trusts throughout NZ are all in similar positions to LDART with substantial shortfalls experienced by the major organisations. A completely different financial model will have to be negotiated and employed once the current NASO arrangements expire.

Apart from any council support LDART will still have to continue with its current fundraising activities to cover equipment, training and other overheads.

Remember, any one of us in the region may have to avail ourselves of the LDART provided 24 hour service due to a variety of reasons and it is comforting to know that such an emergency service is available.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014



LAKES DISTRICT AIR RESCUE TRUST

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014**



LAKES DISTRICT
AIR RESCUE

**Lakes District Air Rescue Trust
Special Purpose Annual Report
for the Year Ended 31 March 2014**

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LAKES DISTRICT

**Lakes District Air Rescue Trust
Trust Directory
As at 31 March 2014**

Chairman

RJ Tapper

Secretary

AE Hill

Financial Controller

AJ Richardson

Trustees

New Zealand Police/SAR	JF Fookes
District Ambulance Service	KI Perriman/KG Raymond
District Medical Profession	TR Cruickshank
Operator Member - Heliworks	RJ Mills/SM Theyers
Operator Member - SLHL	RJ Hayes/LN Matheson

Auditor

BDO Invercargill
Spey Street
Invercargill

Bankers

Westpac New Zealand Limited
Terrace Junction
Queenstown

Date of Formation

The Lakes District Air Rescue Trust was created by a deed dated 12 November 1992 and is a registered entity under the Charities Act 2005. Registration Number CC32003

Trust's Objects

To provide funds for air rescue services in the Otago and Southland district and as may be reasonably required from time to time outside that district within New Zealand.

Lakes District Air Rescue Trust
Trading Account
For the Year ended 31 March 2014

	2014 \$	2013 \$
REVENUE		
Mission Income	-	1,266,015
Disbursements Recovered	-	11,335
Ministry of Health Payment	6,485	6,485
Total Income	6,485	1,283,835
LESS DIRECT COSTS		
Mission Subcontractors - Helicopter	-	951,102
Mission Subcontractors - Medical	-	20,947
Mission Subcontractors - Ambulance Officer	-	87,980
Accommodation Expenses	-	280
Hire - Night vision goggles	-	12,478
Winch Hire	-	2,730
Hire of Oxygen Bottles	-	395
Ministry of Health Payment transferred to Company	6,485	-
Total	6,485	1,075,912
GROSS PROFIT FROM TRADING	-	\$207,923

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements and subject to the audit report.

**LAKES DISTRICT**

AIR RESCUE

**Lakes District Air Rescue Trust
Statement of Financial Performance
For the Year ended 31 March 2014**

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Gross Profit from Trading	-	207,923
OTHER INCOME		
Total other Income - Note 4	<u>147,328</u>	<u>138,807</u>
Total Income	<u>147,328</u>	<u>346,730</u>
Less Expenses		
Total Expenses - Note 4	<u>157,810</u>	<u>220,355</u>
Total Expenses	<u>157,810</u>	<u>220,355</u>
Net Profit (Deficit) Before Depreciation	(10,482)	126,375
Less Depreciation Adjustments		
Depreciation - Note 8	32,358	33,567
Depreciation Recovered	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,221)</u>
Net Depreciation Adjustment	32,358	32,346
NET OPERATING PROFIT (DEFICIT)	<u><u>(\$42,840)</u></u>	<u><u>\$94,029</u></u>

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements and subject to the audit report.

**LAKES DISTRICT**

**Lakes District Air Rescue Trust
Statement of Movements in Equity
For the Year Ended 31 March 2014**

	2014 \$	2013 \$
EQUITY AT START OF PERIOD	859,341	764,733
SURPLUS & REVALUATIONS		
Net Operating Profit (Deficit)	(42,840)	94,029
Movements in Realised Capital Gains	-	579
Total recognised revenues & expenses	(42,840)	94,608
EQUITY AT END OF PERIOD	\$816,501	\$859,341

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements and subject to the audit report.

**LAKES DISTRICT**

**Lakes District Air Rescue Trust
Statement of Financial Position
As at 31 March 2014**

	2014 \$	2013 \$
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Note 7	667,111	719,076
GST Refund Due	6,345	4,584
Accounts Receivable	621	162,591
Payments in Advance	8,347	7,998
Total Current Assets	682,424	894,249
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Fixed Assets - Note 8	195,047	182,993
Investments		
Shares - Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited	10,000	10,000
Total Non-Current Assets	205,047	192,993
TOTAL ASSETS	887,471	1,087,242
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Loan - Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited	26,485	-
Accounts Payable	15,805	207,952
Total Current Liabilities	42,290	207,952
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Grants held in Trust - Note 9	28,680	19,949
TOTAL LIABILITIES	70,970	227,901
NET ASSETS	\$816,501	\$859,341
Represented by;		
TRUST EQUITY		
Opening Equity	859,341	764,733
Capital Gain	-	579
Retained Earnings	(42,840)	94,029
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS	\$816,501	\$859,341

For and on behalf of the Trustees;

Date 22 September 2014

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements and subject to the audit report.

1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These special purpose financial statements are for Lakes District Air Rescue Trust. Lakes District Air Rescue Trust provides funds for air rescue services in Otago and Southland District.

These financial statements are a special purpose report which have been prepared for trustee management purposes.

The accounting policies adopted are not in conformity with generally accepted accounting practice. The special purpose accounting policies do not consolidate Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary. Accordingly, the financial statements should only be relied on for the expressly stated purpose.

The accounting principles recognised as appropriate for the measurement and reporting of earnings and financial position on an historical cost basis have been used, with the exception of certain items for which specific accounting policies have been identified.

Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on bases consistent with those used in previous years.

Specific Accounting Policies

In the preparation of these financial statements, the specific accounting policies are as follows:

(a) Property, Plant & Equipment

The entity has the following classes of Property, Plant & Equipment;

- Buildings
- Fixtures & Fittings
- Plant & Equipment

All property, plant & equipment is stated at cost less depreciation and impairment losses.

Depreciation has been calculated in accordance with rates permitted under the Income Tax Act 2007.

(b) Goods & Services Tax

These financial statements have been prepared on a GST exclusive basis with the exception of accounts receivable and accounts payable which are shown inclusive of GST.

(c) Income Tax

No provision for Income Tax has been made as the Trust is a charitable trust and as such is exempt from income tax under section CW 41 of the Income Tax Act 2007.

(d) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and short-term deposits in the balance sheet comprise cash at bank and in hand and short-term deposits with an original maturity of twelve months or less plus bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown on the balance sheet as current liabilities within short term borrowings.

(e) Revenue

Sales of goods are recognised when the service has been provided to the client.

Interest income is recognised when it is received.

(f) Receivables

Receivables are stated at their estimated realisable value. Bad debts are written off in the year in which they are identified.

2. AUDIT

These financial statements have been subject to audit, please refer to the attached Auditor's Report.

3. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

At balance date there are no known contingent liabilities (2013:\$0). Lakes District Air Rescue Trust has not granted any securities in respect of liabilities payable by any other party whatsoever.

4. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Profit Includes:		
<u>Other Income</u>		
Donations - Westpac Chopper Appeal	80,651	39,771
Donations - Community	12,762	10,020
Grant - New Zealand Lotteries Training	15,728	35,860
Donation - Southern Region Lions	9,541	2,900
Donation - Police Diversion	-	1,000
MAF - Farm Mapping Donation	-	15,980
Subscriptions - Support Members	200	220
Subscriptions - Corporate Members	6,400	7,200
Interest Received	<u>22,046</u>	<u>25,856</u>
	147,328	138,807
<u>Expenses</u>		
Accountancy Fees	2,500	2,500
Administration Costs	43,170	87,323
Advertising	2,480	843
Audit Fee - AIA	2,176	-
Audit Fees - Financial	1,950	2,585
Bank Charges	86	10
Chairmans Expenses	4,800	4,800
Consultancy	-	900
Expenses Secretary/Manager	1,600	18,244
Freight & Courier	112	32
General Expenses	44	44
Honorarium Chairman	5,500	2,000
Honorarium Secretary/Manager	13,500	10,000
Helipads Survey Costs	250	-
Hire of Oxygen	92	-
Insurance	10,498	7,224
Interest - Overdraft	37	-
Legal Expenses	756	11,559
Meeting Expenses - AGM	81	231
Meeting Expenses - Ambulance NZ	-	88

*The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.
These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the attached audit report.*

Lakes District Air Rescue Trust
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year ended 31 March 2014



LAKES DISTRICT
AIR RESCUE TRUST

NASO Audit Expenses	-	7,515
Printing, Stamps & Stationery	2,180	2,336
Repairs & Maintenance - Equipment	5,746	2,710
Training	49,463	46,111
Subscriptions	2,958	2,961
Telephone, Tolls & Internet	1,339	1,478
Travel, Conferences, Food and Accommodation	6,492	8,861
	<u>157,810</u>	<u>220,355</u>

5. RELATED PARTIES

During the period there have been transactions between Lakes District Air Rescue Trust and related parties as follows:

Hollyfordair Travel Limited

RJ Tapper is the Chairman of the Lakes District Air Rescue Trust and a director of Hollyfordair Travel Limited. During the year, Hollyfordair Travel Limited was paid for meeting attendences and received an honorarium for services to the Trust.

Q D Management Limited

AE Hill is the Secretary/Manager of the Lakes District Air Rescue Trust and a director of Q D Management Limited. During the year, Q D Management Limited was paid for specific administration projects and received an honorarium for services to the Trust.

John Richardson & Co Limited

AJ Richardson is the Financial Controller of the Lakes District Air Rescue Trust and a director of John Richardson & Co Limited. During the year, John Richardson & Co Limited was paid for accounting and administration services to the Trust.

Heliworks Queenstown Helicopters (2012) Limited

RJ Hayes is a trustee of the Lakes District Air Rescue Trust and a director of Heliworks Queenstown Helicopters (2012) Limited. During the year, Heliworks Queenstown Helicopters (2012) Limited was paid for providing training services.

Southern Lakes Helicopters Limited

RJ Hayes is a trustee of the Lakes District Air Rescue Trust and a director of Southern Lakes Helicopters Limited. During the year, Southern Lakes Helicopters Limited was paid for providing training services.

Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Lakes District Air Rescue Trust commenced full trading on 1 April 2013. AE Hill, RJ Tapper and AJ Richardson are directors of Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited.

6. SECURITIES AND GUARANTEES

There was no overdraft as at balance date nor was any facility arranged.

7. CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Westpac New Zealand Limited - Cheque Account	1,560	29,458
Westpac New Zealand Limited - Term Deposit	651,370	333,764
Westpac New Zealand Limited - On Call Account	1,259	343,477
SBS Bank - Term Investment	12,867	12,322
SBS Bank - Cheque Account	55	55
Total Cash and Cash Equivalent	667,111	719,076

8. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Buildings		
At cost	59,939	55,349
Less accumulated depreciation	(15,900)	(15,453)
	<u>44,039</u>	<u>39,896</u>
Current year depreciation	447	334
	<u>447</u>	<u>334</u>
Fixtures & Fittings		
At cost	1,244	1,244
Less accumulated depreciation	(1,218)	(1,213)
	<u>26</u>	<u>31</u>
Current year depreciation	5	6
	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>
Plant & Equipment		
At cost	580,524	540,702
Less accumulated depreciation	(429,542)	(397,636)
	<u>150,982</u>	<u>143,066</u>
Current year depreciation	31,906	33,227
	<u>31,906</u>	<u>33,227</u>
Total Property, Plant & Equipment	\$195,047	\$182,993
Total Depreciation & Impairment for the year	\$32,358	\$33,567

9. TRAINING GRANTS/DONATIONS

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Lottery Training Grant 300063		
Opening Balance	-	35,860
Advance amount	34,000	-
	<u>34,000</u>	<u>35,860</u>

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Lakes District Air Rescue Trust
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For the Year ended 31 March 2014



LAKES DISTRICT
AIR RESCUE

Less Funds Drawn	<u>15,728</u>	<u>35,860</u>
Total Remaining	<u>18,272</u>	<u>-</u>
Southern Region Lions Donation		
Opening Balance	<u>19,949</u>	<u>22,849</u>
	<u>19,949</u>	<u>22,849</u>
Less Funds Drawn	<u>9,541</u>	<u>2,900</u>
Total Remaining	<u>10,408</u>	<u>19,949</u>
TOTAL GRANT/DONATIONS REMAINING	<u>28,680</u>	<u>19,949</u>

10. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE COMMITMENTS

At balance date, there are no capital commitments. (2013: \$0.00)

11. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Accounts Receivable	621	162,591
Payments in Advance	<u>8,347</u>	<u>7,998</u>
	<u>8,968</u>	<u>170,589</u>

12. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Accounts Payable	<u>15,805</u>	<u>207,952</u>
	<u>15,805</u>	<u>207,952</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.
These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the attached audit report.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF LAKES DISTRICT AIR RESCUE TRUST

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the special purpose financial statements of Lakes District Air Rescue Trust on pages 2 to 10, which comprise the trading account and the statement of financial performance and the statement of movements in equity and the statement of financial position as at 31 March 2014, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information. The financial statements have been prepared based on the financial reporting provisions of the Trust deed dated 12 November 1992.

This report is made solely to the Trustees, as a body, in accordance with the Trust Deed of Lakes District Air Rescue Trust. Our audit has been undertaken so that we might state to the Trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Trustees, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Board of Trustees Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Board of Trustees are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Trust deed and for such internal control as the Board of Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand). Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.



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We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with, or interests in, Lakes District Air Rescue Trust.

Basis for Qualified Opinion on Financial Position and Financial Performance

Control over community donations prior to being recorded is limited, and there are no practical audit procedures to determine the effect of this limited control. Accordingly the completeness of revenue and retained earnings is unable to be determined.

Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution and Use

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to the statement of accounting policies, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared to assist Trustees to comply with the financial reporting provisions of the Trust deed referred to above. As a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose. Our report is intended solely for Lakes District Air Rescue Trust and its trustees and should not be distributed to parties other than the Lakes District Air Rescue Trust and its Trustees.



BDO Invercargill

22 September 2014

123 Spey Street
Invercargill
New Zealand



**LAKES DISTRICT
RESCUE HELICOPTER LIMITED**

LAKES DISTRICT RESCUE HELICOPTER LIMITED

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014**



**LAKES DISTRICT
RESCUE HELICOPTER LIMITED**

**Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited
Annual Report
for the Period Ended 31 March 2014**

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**LAKES DISTRICT
RESCUE HELICOPTER LIMITED**

**Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited
Company Directory
As at 31 March 2014**

Capital

3000 Ordinary Shares

Registered Office

160 Centennial Avenue
Arrowtown

Directors

AE Hill
AJ Richardson
RJ Tapper

Company Number

4050979

Accountant

John Richardson & Co Limited
Arrowtown

Auditor

BDO Invercargill
Spey Street
Invercargill

Bankers

Westpac New Zealand Limited
Terrace Junction
Queenstown

Date of Formation

11 October 2012

Nature of Business

The Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited is the operating entity of the Lakes District Air Rescue Trust

Shareholders

Lakes District Air Rescue Trust - 3000 shares

Charitable Entity

Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited is registered as a charitable entity under the Charities Act 2005.
Registration number CC49904



**LAKES DISTRICT
RESCUE HELICOPTER LIMITED**

**Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited
Annual Report
For the Period ended 31 March 2014**

The Directors present here their Annual report including Financial Statements of the company for the period ended 31st March 2014.

Section 211 of the Companies Act 1993 requires the following disclosures:

The Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited is the operating entity of the Lakes District Air Rescue Trust.

The nature of the company's business has not changed during the year.

Directors' Disclosures

During the year the Directors had no interest in any transactions entered into by the company other than those disclosed in the interests register and or listed below.

The following Directors held office during the year:

AE Hill, AJ Richardson and RJ Tapper

No other person was a director at any time during the year.

The Board of Directors received no notices from directors wishing to use company information received in their capacity as directors which would not have ordinarily been available.

No Director acquired or disposed of any interest in shares in the company during the year

Auditors

The company's Auditors are BDO Invercargill, audit fees payable for the year are \$2,446.00. BDO Invercargill are willing to continue as the company auditors.

Fees payable to BDO Invercargill for other than Audit work were \$nil.

Donations

No donations were made by the company during the year.

Employee Remuneration

No employee received remuneration and/or any other benefits exceeding \$100,000 during the year.

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors,

Director

Director

Date 22 September 2014

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**LAKES DISTRICT
RESCUE HELICOPTER LIMITED**

**Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited
Trading Account
For the Year ended 31 March 2014**

	2014 \$	2013 \$
REVENUE		
Mission Income	1,538,709	-
Disbursements Recovered	<u>1,331</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Income	1,540,040	-
LESS DIRECT COSTS		
Mission Subcontractor - Helicopter	1,373,449	-
Mission Subcontractor - Medical	21,122	-
Mission Subcontractor - Ambulance Officer	127,908	-
Disbursements Charged	<u>1,253</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	1,523,732	-
GROSS PROFIT FROM TRADING	<u><u>\$16,308</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>

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**LAKES DISTRICT
RESCUE HELICOPTER LIMITED**

**Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited
Statement of Financial Performance
For the Period ended 31 March 2014**

	2014 \$	2013 \$
Gross Profit from Trading	16,308	-
GROSS PROFIT	16,308	-
SUNDRY INCOME		
Interest Received	1,334	4
Total Income	17,642	4
Less Expenses		
Accountancy Fees	2,499	829
Administration Costs	49,296	762
Audit Fees - Financial	2,446	500
Bank Charges	82	12
Consultancy	896	-
Insurance	1,825	304
Printing, Stamps & Stationery	687	150
Total Expenses	57,731	2,556
NET OPERATING DEFICIT	(\$40,089)	(\$2,552)

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**LAKES DISTRICT
RESCUE HELICOPTER LIMITED**

**Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited
Statement of Movements in Equity
For the Period Ended 31 March 2014**

	2014 \$	2013 \$
EQUITY AT START OF PERIOD	7,448	-
SURPLUS & REVALUATIONS		
Net Surplus After Tax	(40,089)	(2,552)
Movements in Realised Capital Gains	-	-
Movements in Revaluation Reserves	-	-
Total recognised revenues & expenses	(40,089)	(2,552)
OTHER MOVEMENTS		
Owner Contributions	-	10,000
Distribution to Owners	-	-
EQUITY DEFICIT AT END OF PERIOD	<u>(\$32,641)</u>	<u>\$7,448</u>

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**LAKES DISTRICT
RESCUE HELICOPTER LIMITED**

**Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited
Statement of Financial Position
As at 31 March 2014**

	2014 \$	2013 \$
CURRENT ASSETS		
Westpac New Zealand Limited - Cheque	43,610	7,892
Westpac New Zealand Limited - On Call	20,446	-
Loan - Lakes District Air Rescue Trust	26,485	-
GST Refund Due	34,275	610
Taxation Refund Due	338	1
Accounts Receivable	80,313	-
Payments in Advance	1,521	1,521
Total Current Assets	<u>206,988</u>	<u>10,024</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	206,988	10,024
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	239,629	2,576
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>239,629</u>	<u>2,576</u>
NET LIABILITIES	<u>(\$32,641)</u>	<u>\$7,448</u>
Represented by;		
EQUITY		
Share Capital	10,000	10,000
Retained Earnings	(42,641)	(2,552)
TOTAL EQUITY DEFICIT	<u>(\$32,641)</u>	<u>\$7,448</u>

For and on behalf of the Board ;

Director

Director

Date

22 September 2014

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**LAKES DISTRICT
RESCUE HELICOPTER LIMITED**

**Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Period ended 31st March 2014**

1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Reporting Entity

These are the financial statements of Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited ('the company'). Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited is a company incorporated in New Zealand registered under the Companies Act 1993. Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited is engaged in the business of providing an air ambulance service under the Lakes District Air Rescue Trust.

The financial statements of Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited have been prepared in accordance with the reporting requirements of Section 11 of the Financial Reporting Act 1993.

Measurement Base

The accounting principles recognised as appropriate for the measurement and reporting of earnings and financial position on an historical cost basis have been used, with the exception of certain items for which specific accounting policies have been identified.

Accrual accounting is used to recognise expenses and revenues when they occur.

The information is presented in New Zealand dollars.

Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on bases consistent with those used in previous years.

Exempt Reporting

Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited is an exempt company as defined by the Financial Reporting Act 1993. These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with Section 12 of that Act, and with the Financial Reporting Order 1994.

Specific Accounting Policies

In the preparation of these financial statements, the specific accounting policies are as follows:

(a) Accounting Period

These financial statements have been prepared for the period of 12 months ending 31 March 2014. The comparative figures cover 6 months ending 31 March 2013.

(b) Goods & Services Tax

These financial statements have been prepared on a GST exclusive basis with the exception of accounts receivable and accounts payable which are shown inclusive of GST.

(c) Income Tax

No provision for Income Tax has been made as the company has been granted Charitable status and as such is exempt from income tax.

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**Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Period ended 31st March 2014**

(d) Revenue

Sales of goods are recognised when they have been delivered and accepted by the customer.

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method.

(e) Receivables

Receivables are stated at their estimated realisable value. Bad debts are written off in the year in which they are identified.

(f) Going Concern

The shareholders have given an undertaking to provide financial assistance to the company for a 12 month period ending from the date of the financial statements, as and when it is needed to enable the company to continue its operations. It is with this support that the financial statements of the company have been prepared on a going concern basis.

2. AUDIT

These financial statements have been subject to audit, please refer to the Auditor's Report.

3. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

At balance date there are no known contingent liabilities (2013:\$0). Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited has not granted any securities in respect of liabilities payable by any other party whatsoever.

4. RELATED PARTIES

During the period there have been material transactions between Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited and related parties as follows:

Goods and services were purchased from:

John Richardson and Co Limited.

AJ Richardson, the financial controller, is a director of John Richardson and Co Limited and a trustee of the Lakes District Air Rescue Trust, the shareholder of Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited.

During the year, Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited paid \$50,762 for accountancy, administration and stationery to John Richardson & Co Limited.

Heliworks Queenstown Helicopters (2012) Limited.

RJ Hayes is a director of Heliworks Queenstown Helicopters (2012) Limited and a trustee of the Lakes District Air Rescue Trust, the shareholder of Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited.

During the year, Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited paid \$877,970 for helicopter services to Heliworks Queenstown (2012) Helicopter Limited.

Southern Lakes Helicopters Limited.

RJ Hayes is a director of Southern Lakes Helicopters Limited and a trustee of the Lakes District Air Rescue Trust, the shareholder of Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited.

During the year, Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited paid \$543,330 for helicopter services to



**LAKES DISTRICT
RESCUE HELICOPTER LIMITED**

**Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited
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For the Period ended 31st March 2014**

Southern Lakes Helicopter Limited.

Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of Lakes District Air Rescue Trust.

5. SECURITIES AND GUARANTEES

There was no overdraft as at balance date nor was any facility arranged.

6. IMPUTATION CREDIT ACCOUNT

At balance date imputation credits available to the shareholders were

	2014 \$	2013 \$
Opening Balance	1	-
Payments to IRD	-	-
Income Tax refunded	(1)	-
RWT credits attached to Interest income received	338	1
Imputation credits attached to Dividends received	-	-
Closing Balance	<u>338</u>	<u>1</u>

7. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The company has no capital commitments at balance date. (2013: \$0)

8. SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

(a) Capital

These shares have full voting rights and participate fully in all dividends and proceeds upon winding up.

	2014 \$	2013 \$
3000 Ordinary Shares	10,000	10,000
Total Issued and Paid up Capital	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>

Total Issued Number of Shares 3000

(b) Retained Earnings

	2014 \$	2013 \$
Retained Earnings opening balance	(2,552)	-
Net Surplus after tax	(40,089)	(2,552)
Available for appropriation	(42,641)	(2,552)
Retained Earnings Closing Balance	<u>(42,641)</u>	<u>(2,552)</u>

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**LAKES DISTRICT
RESCUE HELICOPTER LIMITED**

**Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Period ended 31st March 2014**

9. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Loan - Lakes District Air Rescue Trust	26,485	-
Accounts Receivable	80,313	-
Payments in Advance	<u>1,521</u>	<u>1,521</u>
	<u><u>108,319</u></u>	<u><u>1,521</u></u>

10. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Accounts Payable	<u>239,629</u>	<u>2,576</u>
	<u><u>239,629</u></u>	<u><u>2,576</u></u>

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**LAKES DISTRICT
RESCUE HELICOPTER LIMITED**

**Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited
Schedule of Shareholder's Current Accounts
As at 31 March 2014**

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
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Lakes District Air Rescue Trust		
Funds Introduced	<hr/> -	<hr/> 10,000
	-	10,000
Less		
Share capital payment	<hr/> -	<hr/> 10,000
Closing Balance	<hr/> <hr/> -	<hr/> <hr/> -

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Shareholders of Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited on pages 3 to 11, which comprise the trading account and statement of financial performance and statement of movements in equity statement for the year then ended and statement of financial position as at 31 March 2014, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

This report is made solely to the Company's shareholders, as a body, in accordance with Section 205(1) of the Companies Act 1993. Our audit has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's shareholders those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's shareholders as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinion we have formed.

Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand and that they give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand). Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with, or interests in, Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements on pages 3 to 11:

- comply with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand;
- give a true and fair view of the financial position of Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited as at 31 March 2014, and its financial performance for the year ended on that date.

Emphasis of Matter - Fundamental Uncertainty Going Concern

Reliance on continued Shareholder Support

In forming our unqualified opinion, we have considered the adequacy of the disclosures made in the financial statements regarding the reliance on the continued support of the shareholder. The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, the validity of which depends upon that continuing support being available. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that would result from that support not being forthcoming. Details of the circumstances relating to the Emphasis of Matter are described in note 1(f).

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

In accordance with the Financial Reporting Act 1993 we report that:

- We have obtained all the information and explanations that we have required.
- In our opinion, proper accounting records have been kept by Lakes District Rescue Helicopter Limited as far as appears from our examination of those records.



BDO Invercargill

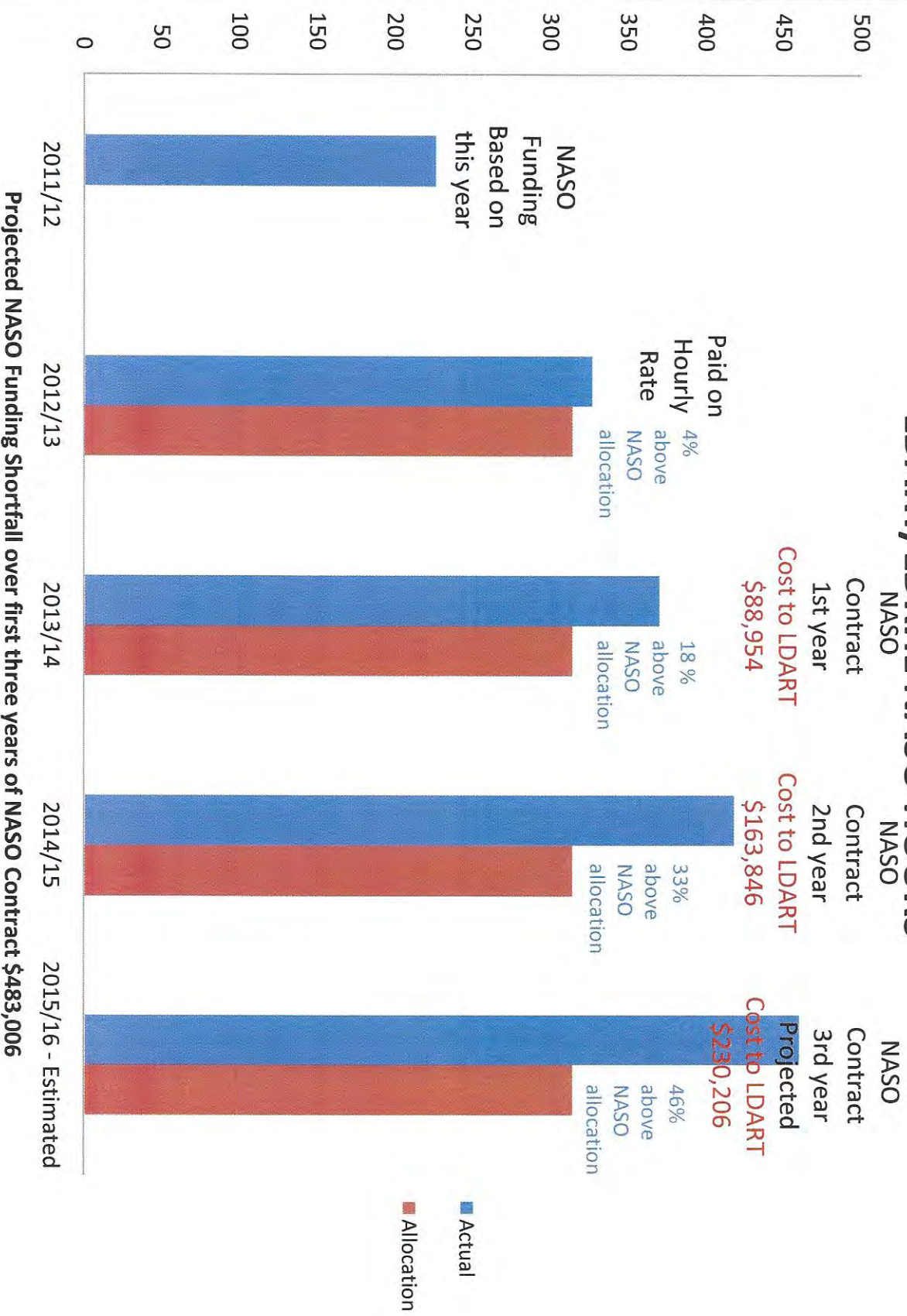
22 September 2014
123 Spey Street
Invercargill
New Zealand

DRAFT PRE AUDIT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

STATISTICS

LDART/LDRHL NASO HOURS



Lakes District Air Rescue Trust
Mission Statistics
For the year ending 31 March 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015

Second Year NASO Contract

2014/15

MONTH	NASO										MEDICAL OTHERS						TOTAL					
	ACC		MOH Medical		MOH IHT		MOH TOTAL		NASO TOTAL		PRIVATE/SDHB		MEDICAL OTHER		LDART	RCC NZ		NZ Police (SAR)				
	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time			No		Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No
Apr-14	16	20.50	7	16.85	2	4.00	9	20.85	25	41.35	0	0.00	0	-	1	0.35	6	11.75	5	17.50	37	70.95
May-14	8	11.00	2	2.80	1	2.30	3	5.10	11	16.10	1	1.90	1	1.90	0	0.00	2	3.60	8	17.60	22	39.20
Jun-14	7	12.35	1	2.25	0	0.00	1	2.25	8	14.60	1	1.90	1	1.90	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	9	16.50
Jul-14	23	19.60	2	2.20	0	0.00	2	2.20	25	21.80	2	3.90	2	3.90	0	0.20	0	0.00	3	2.55	31	28.45
Aug-14	29	45.80	3	6.50	0	0.00	3	6.50	32	52.30	3	4.80	3	4.80	0	0.00	2	4.45	5	5.30	42	66.85
Sep-14	40	32.55	4	9.00	1	2.20	5	11.20	45	43.75	2	3.80	2	3.80	1	0.80	1	4.45	2	6.30	51	59.10
Oct-14	7	13.90	1	2.50	1	2.10	2	4.60	9	18.50	7	14.60	7	14.60	1	0.00	1	0.40	0	0.00	18	33.50
Nov-14	12	18.85	5	8.25	1	1.90	6	10.15	18	29.00	3	7.05	3	7.05	1	0.20	1	1.75	1	1.00	24	39.00
Dec-14	18	26.60	6	10.20	1	2.00	7	12.20	25	38.80	2	3.90	2	3.90	1	0.40	3	6.75	1	1.50	32	51.35
Jan-15	30	49.35	11	22.65	2	3.90	13	26.55	43	75.90	8	16.80	8	16.80	0	0.00	3	6.40	5	8.80	59	107.90
Feb-15	16	21.85	5	6.90	2	4.10	7	11.00	23	32.85	4	7.60	4	7.60	0	0.00	4	4.00	5	9.10	36	53.55
Mar-15	22	26.45	3	4.50	1	2.10	4	6.60	26	33.05	2	3.90	2	3.90	1	0.40	3	4.45	3	6.20	35	48.00
Total	228	298.80	50	94.60	12	24.60	62	119.20	290	418.00	35	70.15	35	70.15	7	2.35	26	48	38	75.85	396	614.35

First Year NASO Contract

2013/14

MONTH	NASO										MEDICAL OTHERS						TOTAL						
	ACC		MOH Medical		MOH IHT		MOH TOTAL		NASO TOTAL		PRIVATE/SDHB		MEDICAL OTHER		LDART	RCC NZ		NZ Police (SAR)					
No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No			Flight Time		No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	Accum. Flying Time
Apr-13	10	15.35	3	3.65	1	2.20	4	5.85	14	21.20	2	4.20	2	4.20	0	0.00	3	8.95	1	1.35	20	35.70	35.70
May-13	2	5.35	4	7.60	0	0.00	4	7.60	6	12.95	3	6.25	3	6.25	1	0.20	2	2.80	0	0.00	13	25.25	57.90
Jun-13	8	16.45	4	7.80	0	0.00	4	7.80	12	24.25	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	1.00	0	0.00	13	25.25	83.15
Jul-13	21	32.05	4	2.90	1	2.00	5	4.90	26	36.95	1	2.00	1	2.00	1	0.10	0	0.00	4	11.35	32	50.40	133.55
Aug-13	23	36.25	1	2.00	2	4.00	3	6.00	26	42.25	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	0.20	3	2.25	5	12.05	35	56.75	190.30
Sep-13	19	32.90	3	4.75	0	0.00	3	4.75	22	37.65	2	4.50	2	4.50	0	0.00	0	0.00	3	8.50	27	50.65	240.95
Oct-13	6	8.30	6	11.30	1	1.80	7	13.10	13	21.40	1	2.00	1	2.00	1	0.80	2	3.95	1	0.30	18	28.45	269.40
Nov-13	8	12.20	3	3.50	0	0.00	3	3.50	11	15.70	4	7.70	4	7.70	3	1.20	0	0.00	2	7.10	20	31.70	301.10
Dec-13	13	20.05	4	6.50	0	0.00	4	6.50	17	26.55	5	11.10	5	11.10	2	0.70	4	6.20	2	3.15	30	47.70	348.80
Jan-14	19	30.95	4	6.45	3	6.45	7	12.90	26	43.85	8	14.95	8	14.95	1	0.20	2	4.80	2	1.70	39	65.50	414.30
Feb-14	22	35.70	3	4.40	2	4.30	5	8.70	27	44.40	4	7.10	4	7.10	1	0.90	1	0.60	0	0.00	33	53.00	467.30
Mar-14	24	31.15	2	8.70	2	3.60	8	12.30	32	43.45	2	8.95	4	8.95	1	0.00	4	4.00	2	0.85	43	60.80	528.10
Total	175	276.70	45	69.55	12	24.35	57	93.90	232	370.60	34	68.75	34	68.75	12	5.60	22	34.55	22	48.60	322	528.10	528.10

Year NASO Funded Hours Missions
Actual

Underfunding Cost for LDART
(Solely helicopter cost)

2013/14	314.30	370.60	232	\$ 88,954
2014/15	314.30	418.00	290	\$ 163,846
				\$ 252,800 NASO Underfunding over first two years of contract
2015/16	314.30	Estimated 460.00	317	\$ 230,206
				\$ 483,006 NASO Projected underfunding over first three years of contract

Lakes District Air Rescue Trust
Mission Statistics
For the year ending 31 March 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015

2012/13		NASO										MEDICAL OTHERS										TOTAL													
MONTH	ACC				MOH MEDICAL				MOH IHT				MOH TOTAL				MEDICAL				PRIVATE/SDHB				MEDICAL OTHER				LDART		RCC NZ		NZ Police (SAR)		TOTAL
	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	No	Flight Time	Accum. Flying Time						
Apr-12	14	21.75	5	7.60	2	3.60	7	11.20	21	32.95	1	1.90	1	1.90	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	22	34.85					
May-12	5	8.30	1	1.70	5	9.80	6	11.50	11	19.80	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	11	19.80					
Jun-12	9	13.80	5	9.85	2	3.50	7	13.35	16	27.15	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	16	81.80					
Jul-12	21	31.60	1	1.30	2	3.60	3	4.90	24	36.50	1	1.80	1	1.80	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	25	38.30					
Aug-12	23	25.00	1	1.90	1	1.85	2	3.75	25	28.75	1	1.90	1	1.90	0	0.00	1	2.25	0	0.00	0	0.00	27	32.90	153.00				27	32.90					
Sep-12	8	3.50	1	1.40	1	1.85	2	3.25	10	6.75	2	3.45	2	3.45	0	0.00	1	1.40	1	1.50	2	2.40	14	14.40	167.40				14	167.40					
Oct-12	5	6.90	7	8.15	2	4.10	9	12.25	14	19.15	1	1.80	1	1.80	0	0.00	2	4.15	2	1.50	1	1.50	19	26.60	194.00				19	26.60					
Nov-12	14	17.25	1	2.20	0	0.00	1	2.20	15	19.45	1	1.60	1	1.60	0	0.00	1	1.95	0	0.00	1	1.95	0	0.00	17	23.00	217.00			17	23.00				
Dec-12	21	25.35	8	12.70	0	0.00	8	12.70	29	38.05	1	1.90	1	1.90	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	1.30	31	41.25	258.25			31	41.25				
Jan-13	13	12.30	5	6.20	4	7.05	9	13.25	22	25.55	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	3.30	0	0.00	0	0.00	23	28.85	287.10				23	28.85					
Feb-13	21	34.85	4	7.43	0	0.00	4	7.43	25	42.28	3	5.45	3	5.45	0	0.00	2	2.70	1	1.05	3	4.80	31	45.70	338.55				31	45.70					
Mar-13	13	20.50	6	9.85	0	0.00	6	9.85	19	30.35	2	3.70	2	3.70	0	0.00	5	6.85	5	4.80	10	10.65	267	383.85	383.85				267	383.85					
Total	167	221.10	45	70.28	19	35.35	64	105.63	231	326.73	13	23.50	13	23.50	0	0.00	13	23.00	10	10.65	267	383.85	383.85												

2011/12		NASO										MEDICAL OTHERS										LDART		RCC NZ		NZ Police (SAR)		TOTAL			
MONTH	ACC			MOH Medical			MOH IHT			MOH TOTAL			MEDICAL			PRIVATE/SDHB			MEDICAL OTHER			LDART		RCC NZ		NZ Police (SAR)		TOTAL			
	No	Flight Time		No	Flight Time		No	Flight Time		No	Flight Time		No	Flight Time		No	Flight Time		No	Flight Time		No	Flight Time		No	Flight Time		No	Flight Time	Accum. Flying Time	
Apr-11	10	16.35		4	5.50		0	0.00		4	5.50		14	21.85		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00	14	21.85
May-11	3	5.70		4	7.60		0	0.00		4	7.60		7	13.30		1	1.80		1	1.80		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00	8	15.10
Jun-11	4	6.10		1	1.75		0	0.00		1	1.75		5	7.85		2	3.60		2	3.60		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00	7	11.45
Jul-11	15	13.45		1	1.30		0	0.00		1	1.30		16	14.75		3	5.20		3	5.20		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00	19	19.95
Aug-11	13	13.35		1	1.35		2	3.85		3	5.20		16	18.55		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00	16	18.55
Sep-11	12	10.75		3	3.40		2	3.90		5	7.30		17	18.05		2	4.00		2	4.00		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00	19	22.05
Oct-11	6	9.20		3	1.30		1	2.05		4	3.35		10	12.55		1	1.70		1	1.70		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00	1	16.65
Nov-11	10	12.35		6	9.25		1	1.90		7	11.15		17	23.50		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00	17	23.50
Dec-11	18	20.95		3	4.05		2	4.40		5	8.45		23	29.40		0	0.00		0	0.00		1	0.85		0	0.00		0	0.00	24	30.25
Jan-12	12	18.10		4	7.10		0	0.00		4	7.10		16	25.20		3	5.75		3	5.75		1	0.60		0	0.00		0	0.00	20	31.55
Feb-12	10	12.40		0	0.00		1	1.75		1	1.75		11	14.15		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00	11	14.15
Mar-12	11	16.25		7	10.90		0	0.00		7	10.90		18	27.15		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0.00	18	27.15
Total	124	154.95		37	53.50		9	17.85		46	71.35		170	226.30		12	22.05		12	22.05		2	1.45		0	0.00		1	2.40	185	252.20

CORRESPONDENCE

From: Jules Tapper [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, 19 December 2014 5:32 p.m.
To: 'steve.ruru@southlanddc.govt.nz'
Cc: 'Adam Feeley'
Subject: Lakes District Air Rescue Trust

Dear Steve

May I introduce myself - as although an x Invercargill resident I do not think we have met. My name is Jules Tapper and I have been involved in aviation, tourism and business activities in the southern part of New Zealand for over 50 years.

In 1991 I was involved with the formation of the Lakes District Air Rescue Trust. I have been Chairman of our Trust and operating company since inception. Since that time we have successfully operated emergency & rescue services throughout the southern region from bases in Queenstown and Te Anau.

Around 80% of our work is associated with contracts held with ACC and the Ministry of Health (now collectively called NASO) for air EMS work and the local District Health Board for interhospital transfers. Police assistance - mainly for SAR work and beacon location searches (personal, marine and aircraft) and retrieves on behalf of RCC NZ make up the balance of our work.

Due to the nature of our region and a lot of adventure activity, control room tasked missions have increased steadily year on year. In the last year ended 31 March we flew 323 missions for a total of 528 hours. However, last year was the first year of a new 5 year NASO contract and it was based on the previous years then record number of operations and funding was capped. Our risk was that if NASO missions exceeded the funding cap we would face a funding shortage in that area.

For 22 years we had operated successfully under previous contracts but the first year of this new NASO contract we ended up with a deficit for the first time of \$83,000. NASO does not pay the full cost of service. This situation could not be allowed to continue and so we have sourced additional support funding from several organisations, businesses and individuals and Trusts to cover this current years operations. Right now we are tracking ahead of last years operations and flying hours and at the end of November indications are that this current year is going to ahead of last years operations at 31 March 2015 and the deficit will be similar or greater than last years. Cost containment measures are in place wherever possible.

This is an unacceptable position for an emergency infrastructure service to find itself in. We have no control over dispatch. If we are called we get airborne 24/7 with the appropriate crews and equipment on board. We cannot say "Sorry we have no more money so we cannot do a mission."

Our general area of operations is within a line Haast to Alexandra then down to Invercargill and all that area to the south and West of that line.

Our most faraway mission was a night winching of a badly injured seaman off a ship 480 nautical miles (890 Km!) south of NZ in the sub Antarctica waters. The pilot Richard Hayes has over the years been awarded several awards including Queens & Police Commendations, the MNZO and at Xmas he was Knighted for his services. A very brave man. His winchman Lloyd Matheson has also received the QSO and it was noted at a recent aviation meeting that for one organisation's senior people to have 3 senior persons (includes myself) all accumulating such high honours is rare recognition indeed. Makes it all worthwhile when good patient outcomes ensue & your peers do recognise your efforts.

was suggested that an approach through both councils with a submission to the next Annual Plan may be an ideal platform to support this essential service in the area. We believe that support from this area would be the most equitable way of spreading the financial load over all ratepayers in the region. As you will be aware, the Dunedin based helicopter operation is supported by the ORC to the tune of several hundred thousand dollars. Our ask is much more modest but would be in the area of \$150,000 per annum for at least the last three years of the existing NASO contract. Spread over the joint ratepayer base the ask is not that great but it would be of great assistance to the Trusts continuing operations.

The Air Rescue Group - representing the 10 Air Emergency Helicopter Trusts is hopeful of renegotiating a slightly more realistic contractual arrangement with the Crown at the end of the present NASO contract but it is fair to say that current Government thinking is that if areas want a service then they should directly pay a greater part of the cost. I must observe at this point that the huge surpluses that ACC especially has been making in recent times is a counter to this argument but have been told we will not get a cent more from central Government until new contracts are let in 2019

We do not own helicopters in our own right but have contractual arrangements with Heliworks in Queenstown and Southern Lakes Helicopters in Te Anau using especially equipped and certified helicopters. The Trust holds all contracts, buys all the necessary equipment(some of which is extremely expensive to purchase and maintain), trains all personnel to the highly audited standards of NZS 8156 and ISO 9001 and does all administration and fundraising.

When I was involved in recent fundraising to cover our current years predicted deficit I had our Financial Controller prepared a detailed formal proposal to present to prospective funders.

My question to you at this time is "Would you like to have me send you an email copy of that detail so that both councils can decide if they support the idea of assistance to this southern region asset." You will note I have copied Adam Feeley in on this correspondence so that all are in the loop.

I look forward to your reply and am quite happy to travel to Invercargill in the New Year to expand on any operational or financial detail you may require.

Yours faithfully,

Jules Tapper

Chairman
Lakes District Air Rescue Trust



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P O Box 2205
Queenstown
New Zealand 9349

Client: Lakes District Air Rescue Trust
Balance Day: 31 March 2015

Work Paper:
Signed: GTR
Date: 10/04/2015

Administration Breakdown

	Accountancy and auditor queries	Budget	Meeting Prep	Formal Meetings	Insurance	Missions	AR	AP and Reports	Monthly Financials	Reports/Internal	Reports/External	Correspondence and Telephone	Informal Meetings	Total	Per FA Admin plus Accountancy
LDART															
Charged	4,249.35	1,750.00	6,722.62	5,880.00	1,400.00	-	2,954.23	4,864.81	1,400.00	952.70	700.00	1,050.00	3,850.00	35,773.71	0.08
LDRHL															
Charged	3,251.50	2,397.50	6,927.99	3,850.00	613.90	4,286.16	12,295.21	8,397.33	2,100.00	4,505.02	6,429.24	611.20	2,100.00	57,765.06	0.01
Total	7,500.85	4,147.50	13,650.61	9,730.00	2,013.90	4,286.16	15,249.44	13,262.14	3,500.00	5,457.72	7,129.24	1,661.20	5,950.00	93,538.77	100%
%	8%	4%	15%	10%	2%	5%	16%	14%	4%	6%	8%	2%	6%		

Lakes District Air Rescue Trust - Consolidated
Statement of Financial Performance 5 Year Analysis
For the Year ended 31 March 2015

	2011 \$	2012 \$	2013 \$	2014 \$	2015 \$
REVENUE					
Mission Income	695,205	801,976	1,266,015	1,538,709	1,728,758
Disbursements Recovered	1,320	7,788	11,335	1,331	1,301
Ministry of Health Payment	6,485	6,485	6,485	6,485	6,485
Total Sales	703,010	816,249	1,283,835	1,546,525	1,736,544
MATERIALS USED					
Mission Subcontractors - Helicopter	521,921	616,343	951,102	1,373,449	1,597,266
Mission Subcontractors - Medical	14,341	4,920	20,947	21,122	18,386
Mission Subcontractors - Ambulance Officer	52,915	51,850	87,980	127,908	151,833
Accommodation Expenses	-	-	280	1,253	881
Hire - Night vision goggles	2,565	12,405	12,478	-	-
Winch Hire	-	-	2,730	-	-
Hire of Oxygen Bottles	-	-	395	-	-
Ministry of Health Payment transferred to Company	-	-	-	6,485	6,485
Total	591,742	685,518	1,075,912	1,530,217	1,774,851
GROSS LOSS FROM TRADING	111,268	130,731	207,923	16,308	(38,307)
SUNDRY INCOME					
Donations - Westpac Chopper Appeal	36,412	33,082	39,771	80,651	103,478
Donations - Community	9,345	4,191	10,020	12,762	45,694
Grant - New Zealand Lotteries Training	9,938	1,100	35,860	15,728	31,153
Donation - Southern Region Lions	-	1,651	2,900	9,541	8,069
Donation - Police Diversion	-	-	1,000	-	-
MAF - Farm Mapping Donation	4,989	20	15,984	1,334	2,323
Subscriptions - Support Members	220	240	220	200	260
Subscriptions - Corporate Members	7,700	7,200	7,200	6,400	51,900
Training Reimbursement - Wakatipu Land SAR	6,359	-	-	-	-
Interest Received	18,420	23,246	25,856	22,046	29,227
Air Ambulance Medical Services - MOH	-	53,996	-	-	-
Total Income	204,651	255,457	346,734	164,970	233,797
Less Expenses					
Accountancy Fees	2,500	2,500	3,329	5,000	6,000
Administration Costs	52,054	56,521	88,085	92,466	87,639
Advertising	598	250	843	2,480	2,356
Audit Fee - AIA	500	-	-	2,176	2,858
Audit Fees - Financial	1,650	2,202	3,085	4,396	3,554
Bad Debts	-	-	-	-	4,849
Bank Charges	64	88	22	167	177
Chairmans Expenses	-	-	4,800	4,800	4,800
Consultancy	-	-	900	896	992
Donations	-	-	-	-	1,400
Expenses Secretary/Manager	6,725	2,653	18,244	1,600	1,054
Freight & Courier	-	-	32	112	-
General Expenses	44	44	44	44	89
Honorarium Chairman	2,167	2,000	2,000	5,500	6,000
Honorarium Secretary/Manager	7,500	10,000	10,000	13,500	15,000
Helipads Survey Costs	11,630	575	-	250	2,400
Hire of Oxygen	-	-	-	92	-
Insurance	6,277	6,270	7,528	12,323	12,747
Interest - Overdraft	-	-	-	37	-
Legal Expenses	-	-	11,559	756	275
Meeting Expenses - AGM	293	257	231	81	-
Meeting Expenses - Ambulance NZ	100	94	88	-	-

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NASO Audit Expenses	-	-	7,515	-	-
Printing, Stamps & Stationery	1,085	1,209	2,485	2,867	2,095
Repairs & Maintenance - Equipment	1,917	1,816	2,710	5,746	2,462
Training	20,407	2,751	46,111	49,463	50,451
Sponsorship - NZMR	10,000	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions	2,732	2,786	2,961	2,958	2,653
Telephone, Tolls & Internet	1,584	1,632	1,478	1,339	1,391
Travel, Conferences, Food and Accommodation	5,474	6,234	8,861	6,492	4,138
Total Expenses	<u>135,301</u>	<u>99,882</u>	<u>222,911</u>	<u>215,541</u>	<u>215,380</u>
Net Surplus Before Depreciation	69,350	155,575	123,823	(50,571)	18,417
Less Depreciation					
Depreciation - Note 8	25,734	28,256	33,567	32,358	26,494
Depreciation - Loss on Sale	-	-	-	-	29,322
Depreciation Recovered	-	-	(1,221)	-	-
Net Depreciation Adjustment	<u>25,734</u>	<u>28,256</u>	<u>32,346</u>	<u>32,358</u>	<u>55,816</u>
NET LOSS	<u>\$43,616</u>	<u>\$127,319</u>	<u>\$91,477</u>	<u>(\$82,929)</u>	<u>(\$37,399)</u>

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Taylor, Adrienne

**LUGGATE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
WANAKA/UPPER CLUTHA**

6 Other Comments

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This submission is on behalf of the Luggate Community Association in support of our application for an annual community grant 2015 . We thank the council for the grant received in 2014 and will meet all accountability requirements at the end of the financial year. We request a grant in 2015 to allow us to support the celebration of the 100 year anniversary of our iconic Red Bridge. Plans are well underway for this event to be held on October 24th. We would also like to be able to provide a shelter over the community barbeque provided by the 2013 community grant. This barbecue situated beside the tennis court and children's play ground is well used by the local community.

Temple, Alan

GLENORCHY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

WAKATIPU

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As per email from Jan Maxwell, I wish to submit our justification for the annual GRANT from QLDC to GCA. We have three projects specifically requiring finance for our community in the next twelve months. These are items that have been on-going work in progress issues that we would like to conclude as far as is practicable. 1. Glenorchy lakefront beautification. After valuable input (both locally and from QLDC) and many discussions we wish to further our plans for the lakefront development. Further plans include additional barbeque facilities, more plantings, and general visitor flow structures and signage. 2. Village Green. Our wish is to further enhance our village green area beside the Glenorchy Hall to accommodate local events/gatherings and visitor outdoor facilities. 3. Signage. We have a need to direct visitors where to go, where they may park, what attractions are available, where facilities are, etc. We also wish to replace the outdated (Glenorchy) sign at Queenstown as well as the Glenorchy entrance sign. We have on-going community debate as to the best ways to further these objectives but are confident that we will require all the QLDC grant to cover our intentions for the coming year. We will have a new Community Association committee in July and no doubt it will have other priorities that have yet to come to light. Our visitor growth in the last two years has been terrific (as has been observed locally and QLDC vehicle monitoring) so our 'playing field' keeps adjusting. We do strive to provide a good balance to local inhabitants and visitors to maintain the uniqueness of our village and hope that QLDC can continue to assist with local fiscal pressures - as in the past. Alan Temple (Acting) Secretary/Treasurer Glenorchy Community Association

GLENORCHY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION SUBMISSION FOR QLDC 10 YEAR PLAN SUMMARY pending full submission – to be presented after ratification at GCA committee meeting 8/5/2015

Key goals for Glenorchy which need to be included in QLDC 10 Year Plan.

Community: Growth.....the focus of all planning decisions should be to maintain the 'village' character of Glenorchy. Village Green.....Develop a plan for the area to reinforce its role as the community hub. Health.....Develop a plan to meet future health needs of the community. Environment: Wastewater.....Glenorchy to have an appropriate system to maintain water quality at the Head of the Lake. Focus on an innovative sewage solution with nutrient recapture and recycling. Pollution.....Levels of air, light, water and noise pollution that are acceptable to the community. Infrastructure: Wastewater....as above. Cycleways.....A network connects Glenorchy with Queenstown and Walter Peak. Airport....The Glenorchy Airport functions well for the community and tourism operators without detracting from existing quality of life. Road safety.....Upgrading of all roads in the area to cope with growing demand. Town Centre.....Develop a clear parking and traffic flow strategy for the community. Improve landscaping, planting and walkways to connect different interest areas.

Alan Temple (Acting) Secretary/Treasurer Glenorchy Community Association

Thomas, Geoff

QUEENSTOWN MALL LIMITED WAKATIPU

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Thomas, Geoff

DRIVERS ROAD TRUST COMPANY LIMITED
WAKATIPU

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REDWULFF LTD

WAKATIPU

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Thompson, Phil

**ROTHBURY INSURANCE BROKERS, CENTRAL OTAGO
WAKATIPU**

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Turner, Dame Sukhi

WANAKA COMMUNITY HOUSE CHARITABLE TRUST

6 Other Comments

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SUBMISSION TO: QLDC ON THE 10 YEAR PLAN 2015- 2025 FROM : WANAKA COMMUNITY HOUSE CHARITABLE TRUST (WCHCT) Over the past 2 years, WCHCT, has consulted widely with 65+ individuals and community groups who have expressed interest in using a Community House in Wanaka. • We have now agreed upon the Concept Drawings for our integrated Community House facility for the Upper Clutha region. • A fundraising strategy/plan and budget for our project has been completed, and a Fundraising Working Party has been established. • We have recently started, the process of applying for Resource Consent for the building. Page 54 of Volume 1 of the Draft 10 Year Plan 2015- 2025 provides the following: Community Grants The Council is involved in this activity as a way of providing financial support to various community groups. Currently Council funds a total of \$532,960 to 15 groups and activities in the region with a further \$146,000 (in 2014/15) approved through the annual plan process for one-off amounts towards specific projects and activities. • The WCHCT would like Council to include, a one-off grant of \$50,000, in either 2015/16 or the 2016/17 financial year for the Community House for the Upper Clutha Region. We would also like to thank Council, (as per your letter to us dated 5 August 2014) for being prepared to write letters of support to the other funding bodies we approach. We will be liaising and applying to our key funding organisations in the next few months, as we put our fundraising strategy into action. The Council's financial commitment will demonstrate, that support is not only in words, but in deed as well. The WCHCT wishes to be heard in respect to this submission. Yours sincerely, Dame Sukhi Turner Chairperson Wanaka Community House Charitable Trust

Verduyn-Cassels, Lewis

RED BRIDGE RIVER PARK TRUST

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Other Comments

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See attached submission

RED BRIDGE RIVER PARK

Charitable Trust

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Submission to Queenstown Lakes District Council – 10 Year Plan

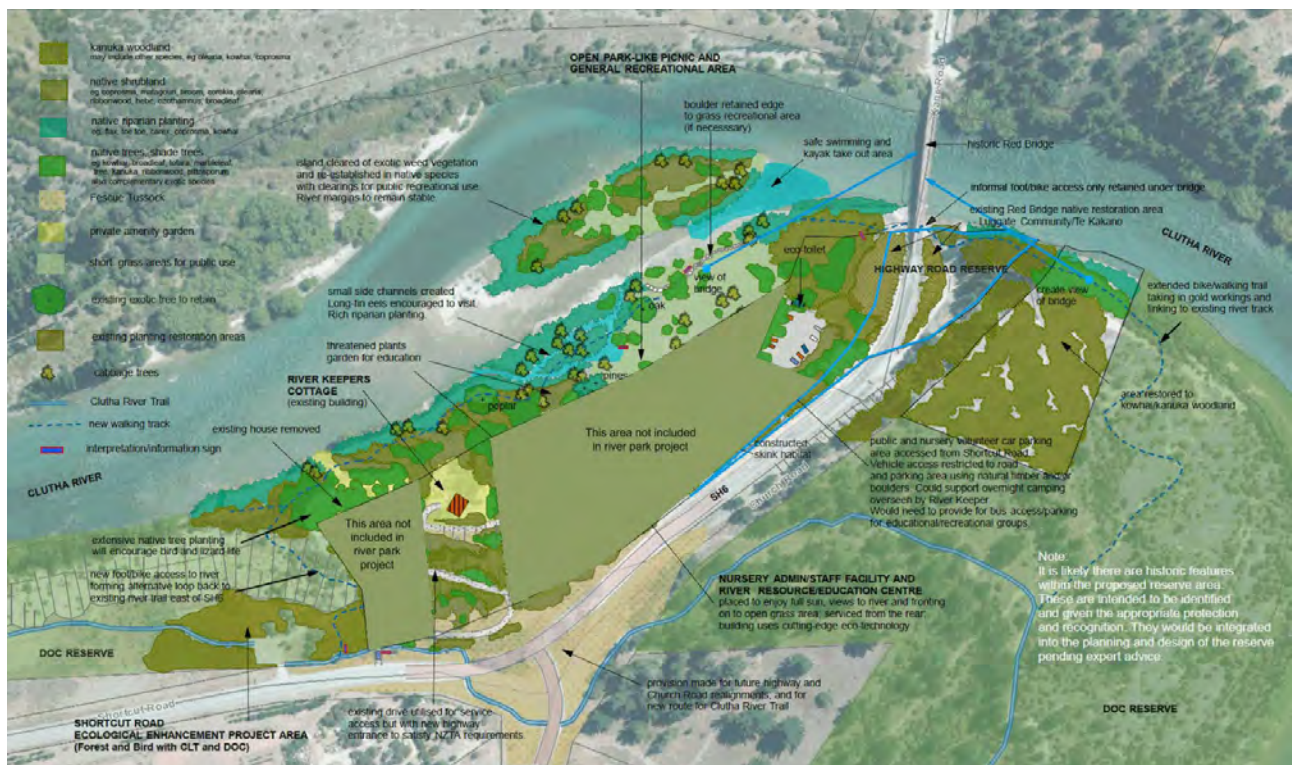
by: Lewis: Verduyn-Cassels, for the Trust, via email

Introduction:

The Red Bridge River Part Trust is a registered charitable trust formed in mid-2014 to establish a river park and native recovery centre on riverside land at the Luggate Red Bridge on the Upper Clutha Mata-Au River.

Originally, we envisaged a riverside conservation park including four properties that were being sold by Contact Energy Ltd. Two properties were subsequently sold to other buyers, while a third property adjoining the Red Bridge has been gifted to the QLDC. The remaining property has been purchased by the Trust under an agreement that took over a year to negotiate, whereby the Trust has made an up-front deposit on the market value and is required to make a further settlement of \$159,000 by 2 April, 2020.

The area of the river park, when Memorandums of Understanding are in place with the Department of Conservation (Marginal Strip), and the Queenstown Lakes District Council (Section 12 adjoining the bridge), will be approximately 5.2ha.



This original plan shows the two areas subsequently removed from the project.
We will update our project plan accordingly.

Although the property purchased by the Trust is only 0.4ha it is the key to the viability of the project in the long-term. This is because it will support the basic operation of the park by providing the Trust with native plants from an on-site nursery, and a regular income and source of labour from the lease of an on-site cottage to a park caretaker/riverkeeper.

Mission of the Trust:

To create and maintain a river park and native recovery centre at the Luggate Red Bridge near Wanaka. The Trust is committed to native restoration, stewardship, ecosystem education, and freshwater research, upholding the fundamental principle that our natural environment must be protected, restored, and kept healthy, for the benefit of our community of life.

Features of the River Park:

- **Recreation Area:** A walking/biking/fishing access track along the riverside will add a loop to the main river trail, so that trail users can traverse the park before returning to the main trail. There will be a kayak/raft take-out area, and a common recreational area for picnics, school groups, local gatherings, and special events such as weddings.
- **Outdoor Education:** Outdoor education activities for schools, technical and tertiary institutions, including kayaking, water safety, freshwater ecosystem studies, and native restoration. School groups can have their own restoration plot so that they can monitor plant growth and biodiversity progress. Trustee, Jeromy van Riel, is a teacher of Te Reo Maori in Wanaka at both secondary and tertiary levels.
- **Freshwater Research:** Freshwater ecosystem research and management involving universities, NIWA, and Manaaki Tuna (Longfinn eel group Massey University), to study the impacts of land use intensification coinciding with major changes in national and regional policy. Limnologist, Dr Marc Schallenberg, is a specialist Trustee.
- **Native Nursery:** Ecological restoration with an on-site native nursery to ensure a long-term supply of plants for the project, and eventually other river-based projects. The Trust will partner with *Te Kāhano Aotearoa* Trust which supports community-based native habitat restoration in Wanaka and the surrounding area.
- **History Archive:** The river park is an archaeological site with Chinese gold-mining features such as stone huts and tailings. The Trust will interpret and archive the local heritage, including the Luggate punt, the unique Luggate Red Bridge, and Upper Clutha gold-dredges.
- **Park Riverkeeper:** An on-site park caretaker/riverkeeper will work for the Red Bridge River Park Trust, to manage the native nursery, undertake native restoration, maintain the park, and liaise with visitors including school groups, work experience volunteers, and tourists, fostering a culture of stewardship. In this way, the Trust's property will support the charitable purposes of the Trust in perpetuity.

Partners in Conservation/Restoration:

The Trust intends to partner with interested parties to advance the project, including:

- Queenstown Lakes District Council
- Department of Conservation
- *Te Kāhano Aotearoa* Trust
- Luggate Community Association
- Upper Clutha Tracks Trust
- New Zealand Transport Agency
- Forest and Bird Central Otago Lakes
- Mt Aspiring College and Otago Polytechnic
- Fish and Game Otago
- and others as opportunities arise

The Red Bridge Entrance to Wanaka:

The Red Bridge crossing over the Clutha Mata-Au River, and the immediate riverside area, is an important and attractive entrance to Wanaka for travellers coming via the Lindis Pass. This area is highly visible and popular. Tourists and local people are daily visitors.

The block of land immediately adjoining the bridge has been gifted to the QLDC by Contact Energy Ltd. This land is included in the Trust's river park plan. As such, the Trust wishes to work closely with the QLDC to achieve the best outcome for the community.

We would expect the Council to contribute some funds or resources toward the improvement of this area. For example, some signage may be required, and other minor works such as placing rocks to prevent traffic along the riverbank.

Our 5-Year Funding Challenge:

In accordance with the purchase agreement between the Red Bridge River Park Charitable Trust and Contact Energy Ltd., the Trust has paid an upfront deposit for the 0.4ha property at market value, and is required to provide a further settlement of \$159,000 within five years, due on 2 April 2020. The Trust has already received a \$10,000 pledge for 2016, and a further \$200 in donations, so the Trust currently requires \$148,800 to achieve final settlement.

The Trust will be seeking some funding support from various community-focused agencies as we advance the river park project, both for specific project work, and toward our \$148,800 final settlement goal.

However, at this stage, it is unclear how this funding challenge will progress. From the Trust's perspective, it is important to remember that the long-term security of the Red Bridge River Park depends on obtaining sufficient funds to achieve this final settlement in 2020.

Support from the QLDC:

From the outset, the Council has supported this project, recognising that it is consistent with the common objectives of the community as determined by the 2020 workshops. We are especially pleased to have the support of the Wanaka Community Board, the members of which have taken the time to visit the site, share their ideas, and express their enthusiasm.

With the ongoing support of the QLDC, and many others, we intend to transform the riverside at the Red Bridge into a healthy ecosystem, while creating a river park that will become a unique asset to the community and the region.

Vorstermans, Richard

WANAKA ASSOCIATED FOOTBALL CLUB

6 Other Comments

Would you like to comment on any other aspect of this draft 10 Year Plan?

Please find attached a submission from the Wanaka Associated Football Club. Related to Community Services and Facilities: Parks and Reserves To build a small club room structure at Kellys Flat sports grounds to meet the needs of the Wanaka Junior Football club and any other users of the grounds.

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Submission:

QLDC 10 Year Plan. 2015-2025

Community Services and Facilities: Parks and Reserves

To build a small club room structure at Kellys Flat sports grounds to meet the needs of the Wanaka Junior Football club and any other users of the grounds.

Background:

The Wanaka Associated Football club organises and offers football training and competition to local junior players aged 5 years to 17 years of age. The club represents the wider Upper Clutha region with junior players from Hawea, Luggate, Albert Town and Wanaka all participating together. We currently use Kellys Flat Grounds in Wanaka for Junior football training, and to host regional games against other junior clubs from Alexandra, Cromwell and Queenstown.

We are affiliated with a national body. That being Football South which is one of the seven federations established by New Zealand Football. For further information about our club you can view our website.
www.wanakafootball.org.nz

The Club is a non-profit organisation. The running of the club, from committee members, coaches and helpers on game days, relies heavily on the free time put in by parents, community members and volunteers. We have been an incorporated society since August 2005.

Junior football has become very popular in this region, and this season the number of kids that are playing for the club has increased from 175 children to 270 children. This is a 65% increase from last year. As a result we have had to purchase more football equipment to accommodate the extra players at training and on competition days.

The Site:

Kellys Flat is legally described as Kellys Flat Recreation Reserve - Section 93 Blk XIV Lower Wanaka SD (3.4067 ha).

In 2013 Kellys Flat reserve was upgraded by QLDC and landscaped to facilitate organised sport. This upgrade was all done as part of the QLDC Kellys Flat Management Plan 2008.

Since then the Wanaka Junior Football club has been using the Kelly flat sports Ground for training and competition days for junior football teams. The facility has proved to be very good and a much needed improvement from the old Mt Aspiring College grounds previously used. The availability of Kelly Flat Sports Ground last year was also very timely with the growth in junior player numbers in the club booming.

The use of Kelly Flat as a football sports field is growing in popularity. Not only is it being used by the Wanaka Junior football club, but other users include. Central Otago Football representative teams as a training facility. Recently there was a Masters football event held there. There is potential for further use of the sports ground.

Since the upgrade of the grounds there is also a noted increase in the number of recreational users like families and youths playing soccer on the grounds, especially on weekends when the football goals are in place.

Proposal:

The popularity of junior football is growing rapidly in Wanaka. (Player numbers in 2015 has increased 65% from the previous year). We feel that there is now a need for a club house type building at Kelly Flat sports ground to facilitate the functions of the football club. Currently the sports grounds offer playing fields, car parking and a toilet. We propose building a small club rooms for the following purposes.

1. Storage of equipment.
2. Changing Areas.
3. Meeting facility
4. First aid Room
5. Kitchen.

The building would primarily be used by the Wanaka Football club for football purposes including hosting competition days, club meetings, training and storage of equipment. However the building would also be available for use by other groups that may like to utilise the Kellys Flat Sports ground for special events or other sports ground related purposes.

As a comparison to other junior football clubs in the region that are part of the same junior football competition.

Alexandra Junior Football Club. There is a large facility at Molyneux Park that includes changing rooms, toilets and club rooms space.

Cromwell Junior Football Club. They have a club house at the Alpha Street sports ground. This facility is very similar to what we are proposing. It includes changing rooms and toilet, and a club room with kitchen facilities.

Queenstown Junior Football Club. They have the use of all the facilities at the Queenstown Events Centre.

The Structure:

The Club proposes to build a structure approximately 10.6m x 3.8m as shown on the accompanying Floor Plan, with a floor area of approximately 40m². This building could be built in the same style and with similar materials as the existing toilet block at Kellys Flat, so it matches the existing architecture at the grounds. It would be built on piles, so could potentially be moved in the future. For example it could be relocated to the Wanaka Sports facility grounds if/when the fields get completed.

The preferred location of the building at Kellys Flat is shown on the accompanying Layout Plan.

Funding:

The Club would be prepared to raise funds to build the structure. It would also be open to assistance from QLDC, at very least it would be hoped that the club would not have to pay any compliance costs to get the project approved.

The Proposed Wanaka Sports Facility at Three Parks.

The plan for the Wanaka sports facility at Three Parks proposes the inclusion of two football fields. The Wanaka Junior football club is certainly in favour of including football fields in this proposal.

These proposed fields are not large enough to accommodate the entire club on competition days, but we would like to use these fields as a venue for competition games and potentially a training facility for the older junior players.

Unfortunately there is nowhere in Wanaka that is large enough to accommodate the entire club on competition days. Currently we use a combination of Kellys Flat Sports Ground, Mt Aspiring College playing fields and Pembroke Park. This is not ideal but hopefully when the Wanaka Sports facility is completed, we can also utilise this facility and reduce our competition day venues to two locations.

The Kelly Flat sports ground is the perfect facility for the younger junior players, particularly for training because of its location close to the schools.

The younger junior players represent the majority of players in the club. Their training and competition is held at Kellys Flat, this is why Kellys Flat is a preferred location for a small club rooms.

In Closing:

The Wanaka Junior Football believe that this proposed submission to build a club rooms on the Kellys Flat Sports ground meets the objectives of the QLDC Management Plan for Kelly Flat as follows..

LISMORE PARK, KELLYS FLAT AND ALLENBY PARK MANAGEMENT PLAN

Clause 5.0 Management Objectives

Management objectives describe how the Council will manage each reserve, in accordance with its classification as recreation reserve.

The Council will:

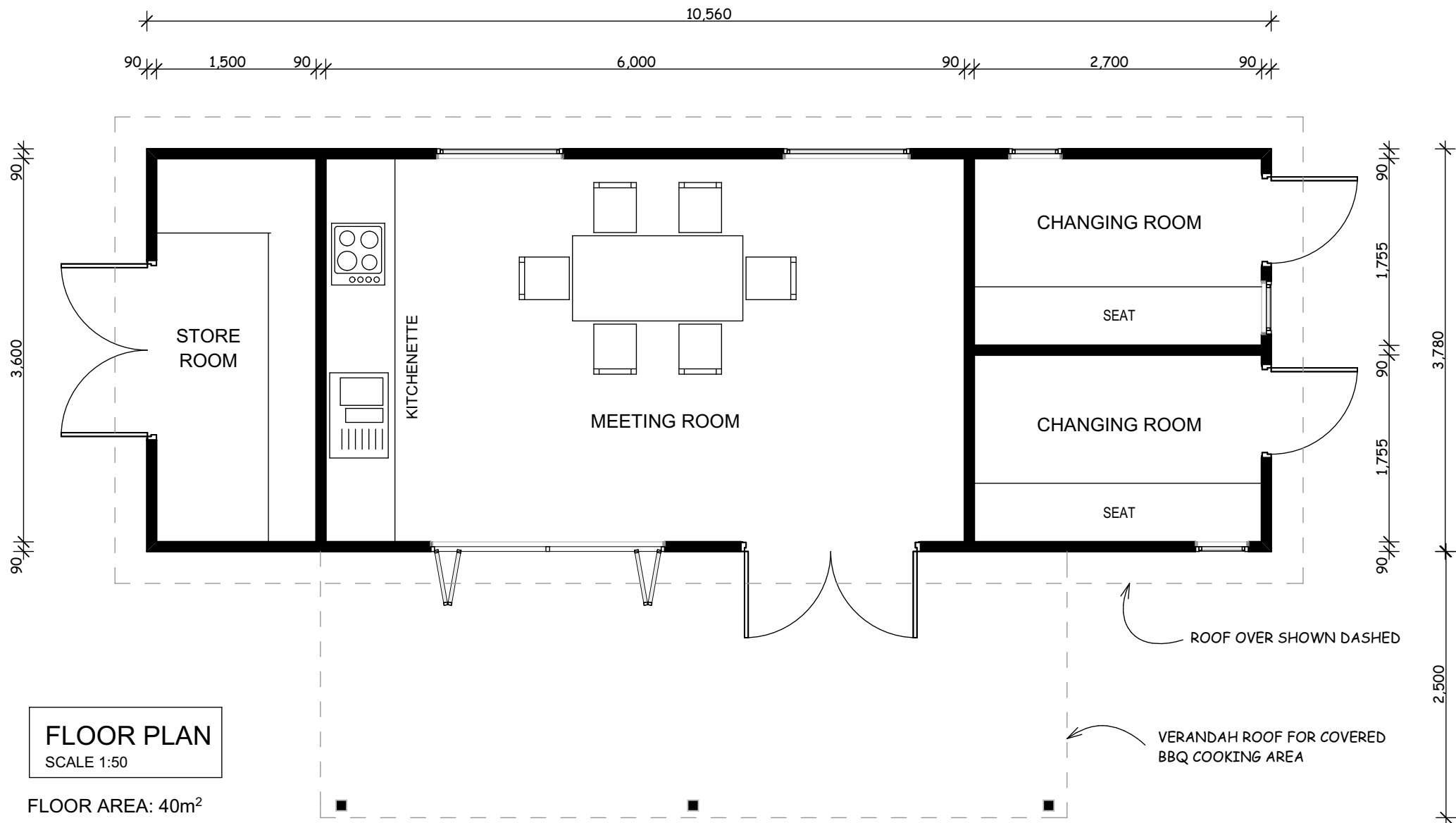
Preserve in perpetuity Lismore Park, Kellys Flat and Allenby Park as recreational areas for the enjoyment of Wanaka residents and visitors.

Encourage and facilitate the use of the reserves for active and passive recreational pursuits.

Permit the development of an aquatic facility on Kellys Flat Reserve if the land is required for this purpose.

Provide for other public use and events, to the extent that the above objectives are not compromised.

The proposal will provide a functional facility at Kellys Flat that will promote and preserve the use of the grounds for the purpose of recreation and enjoyment of the grounds for Wanaka residents and visitors. The improved facility will further encourage use of Kellys Flat by the football club and potentially be an asset for other user groups that require a facility to run events in Wanaka.



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TOURISM INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION

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Other Comments

Would you like to comment on any other aspect of this draft 10 Year Plan?

See attached submission



**Submission to the
Queenstown Lakes District Council's Long-term Plan 2015
to 2025
on the
Queenstown Convention Centre**

29 April 2015

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. As set out in Tourism 2025 (www.tourism2025.org.nz), the growth framework for the tourism industry, the Tourism Industry Association (TIA) supports a regional network of convention centres around New Zealand, including those in Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch and Queenstown.
2. Business events have been identified in Tourism 2025 as a high value segment and growing opportunity for New Zealand's tourism industry. It is also a segment that is not as strongly driven by seasonality and so helps drive capacity in tourism's shoulder and off-peak periods e.g. March to November nationally. To capitalise on this opportunity, convention centres capable of hosting medium to large scale meetings are needed.
3. A convention centre in Queenstown would not only complement the International Convention Centre to be built in Auckland, but position other parts of New Zealand, like Queenstown, to also host international scale conventions and convention meetings.

RECOMMENDATION

4. TIA recommends that, subject to a robust business case, the proposal for the Convention Centre in Queenstown proceed.

INTRODUCTION

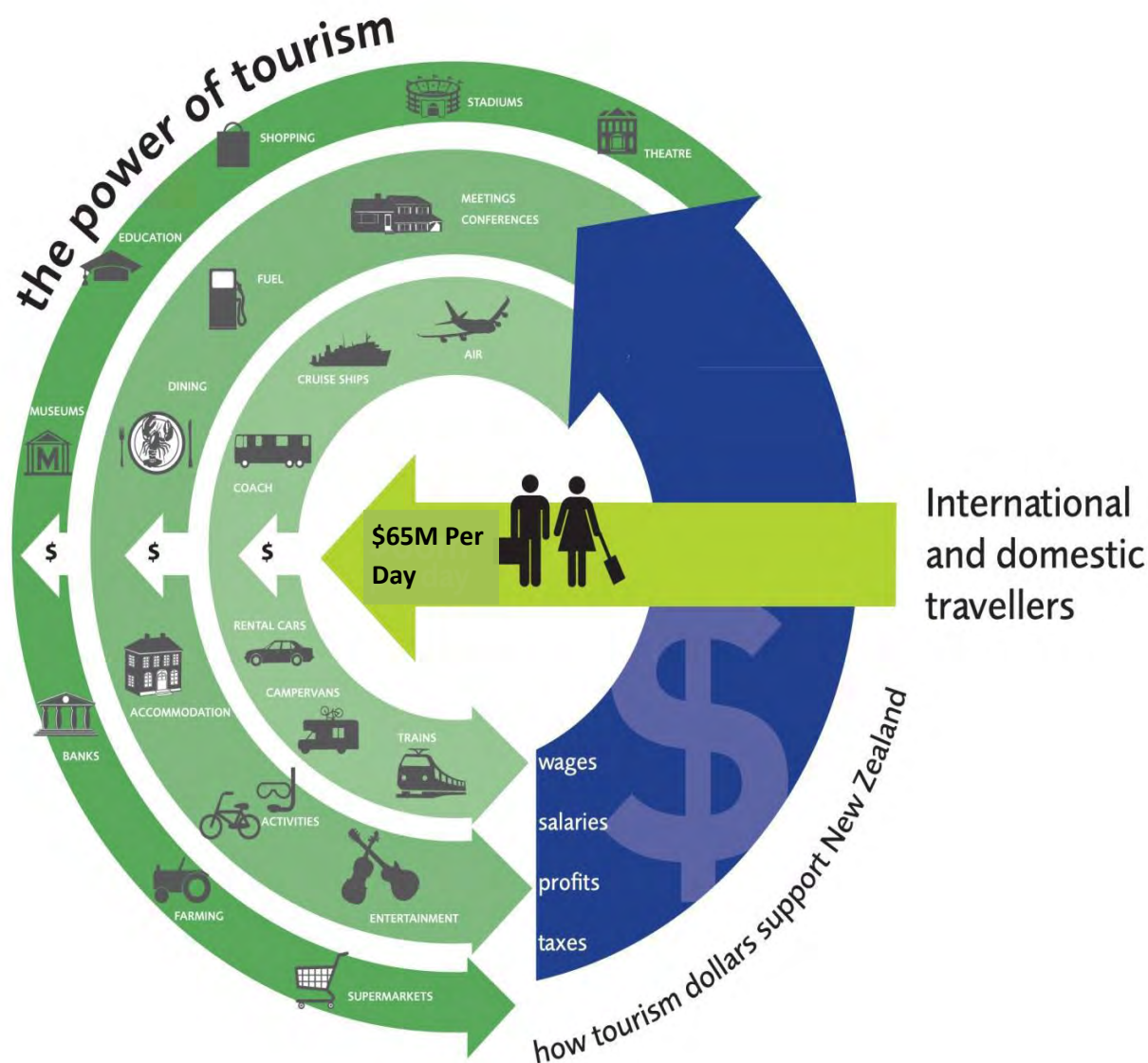
About TIA

5. The Tourism Industry Association (TIA) is the lead association that represents the interests of about 1,500 tourism businesses in New Zealand. TIA represents a range of tourism-related activities including hospitality, accommodation, adventure and activities, attractions and retail, airports and airlines, as well as related tourism services.
6. The primary role of TIA is to be the voice of the tourism industry. This includes working for members on advocacy, policy, communication, events, membership and business capability. The team is based in Wellington and is led by Chief Executive, Chris Roberts.
7. This submission addresses the aspect of the Queenstown Lakes District Council's (QLDC) Long-term Plan that relates to the proposal for a Queenstown Convention Centre. It reaffirms the position that TIA took when lodging a submission to the QLDC in August 2013.
8. Any enquiries relating to this paper should in the first instance be referred to Simon Wallace, TIA Policy and Insight Manager at simon.wallace@tians.org.nz or by phone on 04 494 1842 or [REDACTED] or to Sally Attfield, TIA Hotel Sector Manager at sally.attfield@tians.org.nz or by phone on 04 495 0814 or [REDACTED].

BACKGROUND

9. Tourism for New Zealand is big business as the country's second largest export sector. The brand positioning built by a vibrant tourism industry has become an important source of national confidence and identity and a front window for "Brand New Zealand". Indeed, the clean and pure offer that is synonymous with New Zealand tourism has been widely adopted and used to promote New Zealand exports in a range of other industries as well.
10. The tourism industry delivers the following value to New Zealand's economy:
 - Tourism is a \$65 million per day and \$24 billion a year industry.
 - The tourism industry directly and indirectly supports 166,800 full-time jobs, 8.3% of total employment in New Zealand.
 - Tourism is one of our biggest export industries, earning \$10.3m or 15.3% of New Zealand's foreign exchange earnings.
 - Domestic tourism contributes \$37 million in economic activity every day or \$13.4 billion per annum.

THE POWER OF TOURISM



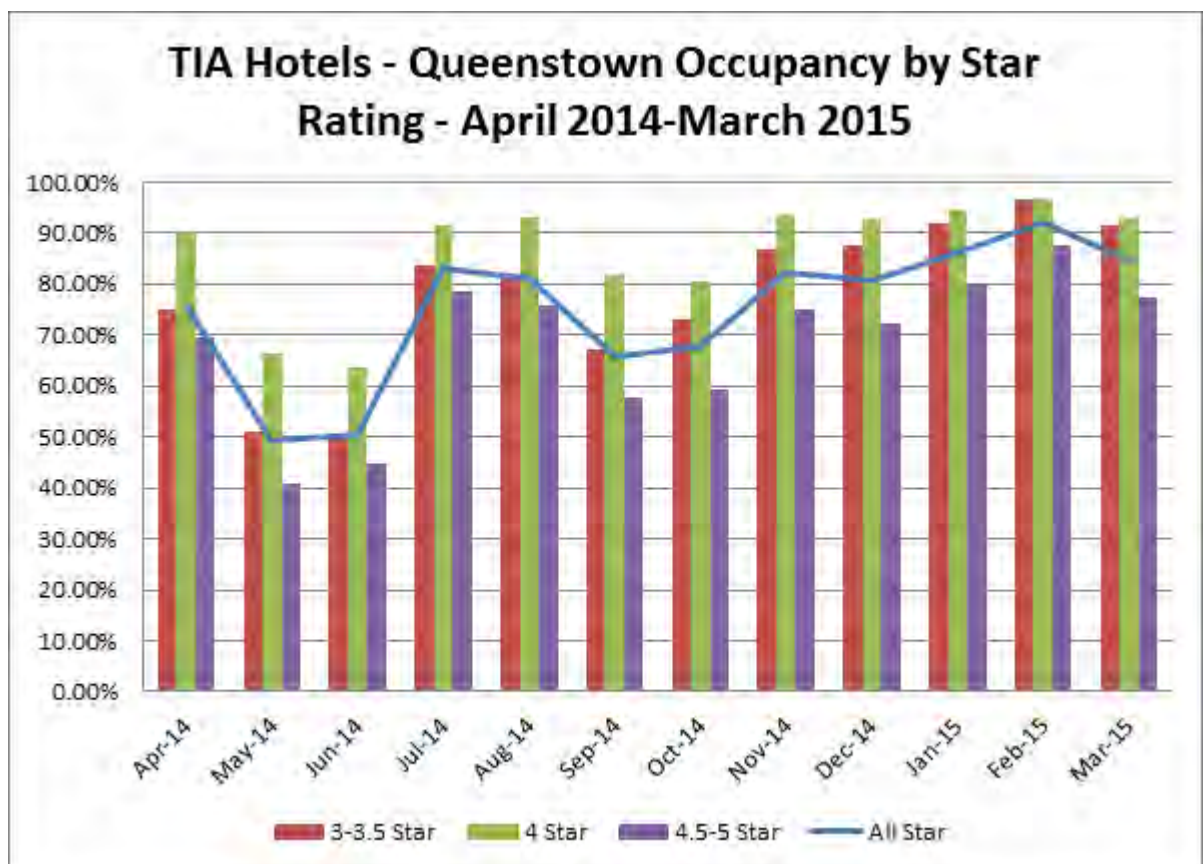
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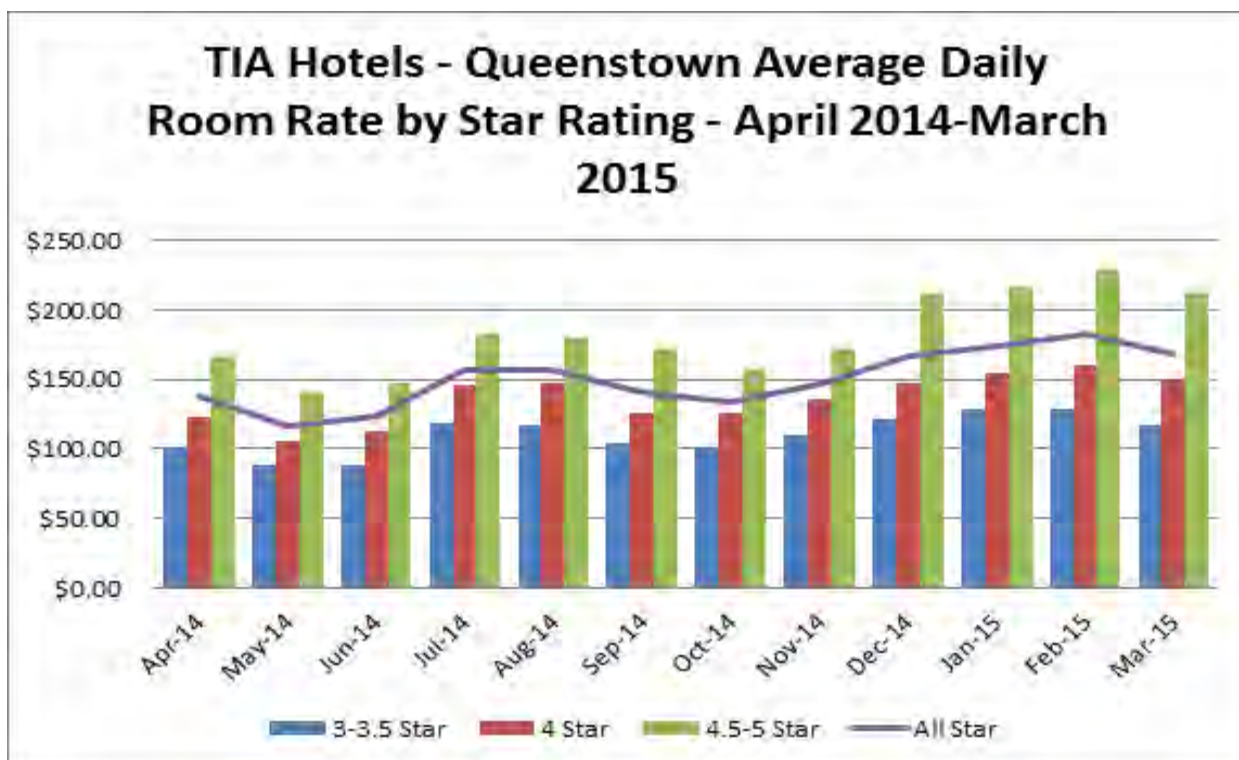
11. The Tourism Industry Association New Zealand (TIA) welcomes the opportunity to comment again on the Queenstown Convention Centre proposal. TIA's advocacy for world-class convention centre infrastructure is long-standing. Not only have we included the need for such facilities in our 2011 and 2014 general election manifestos, business events and the need for infrastructure to support them have been identified as a target for value opportunity in Tourism 2025, the industry led economic growth framework.
12. The business events market has been growing steadily over many decades to the point where there are now over 23,000 association meetings held globally every year and that figure has been growing at 10% a year for more than 50 years. Visitors who come to New Zealand for business events are by nature high value, but the beneficiaries of a convention centre are also much wider than tourism businesses themselves. They include, for example, retailers, hospitality providers, taxi drivers,

supermarkets and petrol stations. So, there are clear and tangible benefits to sectors beyond what might be regarded as core tourism businesses.

Tourism 2025, productivity and seasonality

13. As noted, TIA released Tourism 2025 (www.tourism2025.org.nz) last year, an industry-led government supported economic growth framework which has set an aspirational goal of reaching \$41 billion in annual tourism revenues by 2025.
14. Seasonality has been highlighted as a major challenge in Tourism 2025 with a need for the industry to address this in order to improve productivity. Convention, conference and event business is less constrained by seasonality and is seen as an opportunity to help smooth out seasonality issues. This provides a flow on impact for tourism infrastructure in the shoulder and off-peak seasons to ensure they are better utilised.
15. The graphs below show that while occupancy is trending upwards reflecting the attraction of Queenstown for summer and winter activity, the dips in the May-June and September-October periods are more pronounced and show that there are few other drivers of visitation to Queenstown during these periods. Annual occupancy is under 75% and hotel room rates tend to follow the occupancy trend and dip through these months. New convention business could fill these seasonal gaps but also mitigate any risks associated with the dependency Queenstown has on leisure travellers.





Source: TIA Hotels Monthly Data

Insight

16. Key results from the Convention Delegate Survey (CDS), produced by the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE), to the year ended December 2014 are outlined below and demonstrate the value to be derived at a national level from convention business.
 - International delegates (Australia and other international) spent an average of 6.6 nights in New Zealand (4.5 nights in the event region and 2.1 nights elsewhere in New Zealand), spending an estimated \$304 per night. This per night spend is almost double the average spend per night for all international visitors according to the International Visitor Survey (IVS).
 - Domestic delegates (New Zealand delegates from outside the event region) spent an average 2.9 nights in the event region, spending an estimated \$483 per night.
 - On average, each international delegate spent \$1,991 in New Zealand. This is less than the average spend per international visitor of \$2,900 according by to the IVS, but this is not unexpected as international delegates only spend 6.5 nights in New Zealand while the average for all visitors is 20 nights. Spend per domestic delegate was \$1,432 while spend per local delegate was \$813.
 - Multi-day convention delegates spent an estimated \$476 million within New Zealand. Domestic delegates spent \$250 million (53 per cent of total delegate spend) on attending events outside their home region. Local delegates spent \$109 million (23 per cent) inside their region and international visitors spent \$117 million (25 per cent) in New Zealand.

Central government investment

17. In the 2013 Budget, Tourism New Zealand (TNZ) received an increase to its base funding of \$128 million over four years. Within this funding, \$34 million was allocated over the same four year period to attract conferences, conventions and exhibitions. While existing convention and event infrastructure stands to benefit from this increased resource, the new investment by government is likely to garner a better return if New Zealand can promote business tourism to global event partners with the knowledge that the country as a whole has a network of regional convention centres, e.g. Queenstown, Wellington and Christchurch as well as Auckland.

Competition

18. New Zealand's overall lack of world class convention facilities has seen us rank poorly compared to our competition. A 2012 report by the International Congress and Convention Association (ICCA) has New Zealand ranked 51st in the world rankings in terms of the number of meetings per country. Every year's delay in building convention centres that can host larger meetings costs the country as a whole. Meanwhile, every year other countries enlarge, renovate and develop new exhibition and conference centres.
19. New Zealand is competing not only for Australia for conventions and events, but also globally. This is no different to the current challenges the country faces in remaining front of mind as a visitor destination. This means we must have key tourism infrastructure in place to allow us to compete with confidence and credibility.

CONCLUSION

20. Convention centres of a scale and quality to host medium to large scale meetings and events are needed in New Zealand and support all the themes of Tourism 2025. Business event visitors are high value and the best opportunity the tourism industry has to create a strong link between business and pleasure. Because many conferences are held in the shoulder and off-seasons they create demand for accommodation and other services at a generally quiet time for the year. Finally, business event visitors also boost demand for air connectivity during shoulder and off-peak seasons and often create higher yielding passengers for airlines.

Weekley, Ilona

**FAMILIES FIRST TRUST, TRADING AS QUEENSTOWN LAKES FAMILY CENTRE
WAKATIPU**

6 Other Comments

Would you like to comment on any other aspect of this draft 10 Year Plan?

Queenstown Lakes Family Centre has been providing essential services to vulnerable children, young people and their families in the Wakatipu since 2004. Demand has increased each year in our last Financial Year we received 289 referrals and provided services to 414 children. With continued high population growth demands on community services such as ours will continue to increase. As for many non profit organisations securing adequate funding to address community need remains our greatest challenge particularly since the GFC. The operational grants Queenstown Lakes Family Centre has received from QLDC 10 year plan for our rent has been a critical funding stream. The long term commitment provides stability. We are seeking continued support over the next 10 years for rent in the short term we will remain at 16B McBride Street. Our landlord is currently reviewing our rent which has not increased in the last 5 years, currently \$26,400. Though at rent increase in 2015/16 is likely our landlord has agreed to sponsor the difference in the first year by way of a charitable donation. Thus in 2015/16 we are seeking a grant to fund our rent at \$26,400. With increases in line with market value rent increases in the following years. Longer term we are looking at the potential of a collective impact model with other community providers in the Wakatipu which would see the exploration of the feasibility of a "community house" for co-location of services. It is envisaged that with shared areas and improved utilisation of space that the overall cost of rent will be cost neutral. This work is in its infancy at present and a full business plan will be developed if the project is feasible. We thank you for your ongoing support and consideration of this submission.

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WAKATIPU

1 Convention Centre

Do you support the revised rating model for the proposed convention centre?

Yes

Convention Centre Comments

Arrowmark supports the building of a convention centre in Queenstown.

3 Transport Planning

3A. Is the Council taking the right approach to address congestion issues in central Queenstown by planning to reduce future traffic movements by 20 percent?

No

3B. Should Council increase parking charges and use any additional parking revenue to make public transport more affordable?

No

4 Frankton Library

Should the Council build a library hub at Frankton in 2020, at an estimated cost of \$5.3m?

No

Wellington, John

UPPER CLUTHA TRACKS TRUST

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Other Comments

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THE UPPER CLUTHA TRACKS TRUST

The Upper Clutha Tracks Trust's objects are

"To promote, support, fund and advocate for the establishment of:

- 1 a functional interconnected network of tracks for walking, hiking, cycling, mountain biking, horse riding, roller skating, and any similar recreational leisure activities in the Upper Clutha area, whenever such trails will contribute to the social, cultural, environmental or economic wellbeing of residents or visitors to the District.
- 2 The roading network for commuter and recreational road cycling.

The Trust also endorses, and works to achieve the QLDC strategy for Walking and Cycling in the Upper Clutha Basin.



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The stated goals of the Strategy are

- 1 Make walking and cycling an attractive and safe option for getting around the Upper Clutha area
- 2 Promote the opportunities for walking and cycling in Upper Clutha.
- 3 Ensure that the needs of pedestrians and cyclists are always fully taken into account in the Council's land use and transport planning, recreation planning, urban design, engineering and land development process.
- 4 Deliver a consistent approach to walkways in the Upper Clutha by working in partnership with other landowners agencies and interested parties.

The first goal states further the objective

1. To continue to expand the walking and cycling infrastructure network in the Upper Clutha area using this strategy as guidance, but also responding to emerging needs and opportunities.

THE UPPER CLUTHA TRACKS TRUST SUBMISSION IS:

The Trust notes that there is no provision in the 10 year plan for tracks and walkways for the Wanaka Ward, whilst there is a substantial sum in the plan for the Queenstown Ward.

The Trust has been working with Council on two projects that involve land swaps that will provide key links to the Upper Clutha Track Network. Both these projects have made substantial progress this year and the Trust is disappointed that the 10 year plan, as presented, had not provided funding for the resultant tracks.

These projects are:-

Newcastle Road “replacement” (Time Scale – 2016/17)

(A direct link between the Hawea Flat Community and the Hawea River Track)

- 2.8 km from Hawea Flat to Hawea River Track, linking Hawea Flat into the cycle network
- 2.5m wide gravel path across (1.5km) of Camphill Farm owned by Devon Dairies; fencing both sides, some screening/planting plus stock underpass. Track access subject to Legal Road Land swap agreement.
- 1.5m wide gravel path along 1.3km of formed part of Newcastle Rd.

- Estimate \$150,000 Track & other associated works

- Estimate \$150,000 track underpass



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Dublin Bay to Maungawera Valley (time scale 2017/18)

- 4 km from Dublin Bay to Maungawera Valley Road
- 1.5m cycle track utilising marginal strip; reliant on realignment of legal road with Mt Burke Station
- **Estimate \$ 150,000.00**

The Trust has also had discussions with the Cardrona Ratepayers & Residents group regarding a track linking Cardrona with Wanaka. This track forms items 26, 36 and 45 of the Upper Clutha Walking and Cycling Strategy.

This project has complex land ownership issues and on this basis has been led by the Residents Association rather than the Trust. The Trust believes that this group will be submitting on the 10 year plan in respect of funding and believes that it is reasonable that some funds toward the track, which is likely to be a long term project, should be included in the budget.

The Trust believes that all of the above projects, most of which are in the Upper Clutha Walking and Cycling Strategy, have the support of the local community, form key parts of the track network, and should be considered for financial support from QLDC both in the 10 Year Plan.

The Trust would therefore request that these be considered for partial funding in the current 10 year plan and subsequent annual plans.

THE REASONS FOR THE TRUST'S SUBMISSION:

The Trust was jointly set up QLDC and DOC to work alongside them to develop the walking and cycling track network in the Upper Clutha.

The Trust initially worked closely with QLDC on the development of the Hawea River Track and the Gendhu Bay Track. However for the last few years QLDC's main focus has been on the Wakatipu Basin and the Queenstown Trail in particular, and as a result the UCTT has, until recently, been working almost exclusively with DOC in the Upper Clutha Basin.

The success of the Trust model is that it allows fund raising from donor bodies and Trusts that are not directly available to QLDC and DOC and therefore increases the funding available for track construction. When the Upper Clutha Tracks Trust seeks funds from donor groups and Trusts, the support of either QLDC and/or DOC substantially increases the credibility of the application and its chances of obtaining additional funds.



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The Upper Clutha Tracks Trust acknowledges that QLDC has recently starting working more closely with the Trust and wish to see this develop further with support for the Upper Clutha Tracks Trust and its projects through funding in the 10 year plan.

The Trust submission is in line with our goals and those of the QLDC strategy document for Walking and Cycling in the Upper Clutha Basin.

The application gives the council the chance to assist in the creation key missing links within the Upper Clutha Track network.

THE TRUST'S SUBMISSION WOULD BE MET BY COUNCIL:

Allocating funds to the Wanaka Ward Walkways section of the 10 Year Plan budget to support the projects described above.

The Upper Clutha Tracks Trust does wish to be heard in support of this submission.

Signed: _____ John Wellington _____

Date: _____ 28th April 2015 _____

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Welsh, Angus

QUEENSTOWN LAKES DISTRICT CULTURAL TRUST

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6 Other Comments

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Queenstown Lakes District Cultural Trust was formed in 2000 and was formed by the Council then to promote the arts and cultural identity of the Queenstown Lakes District. It has over the past fifteen years provided a large number of projects and a strong legacy of outstanding artworks throughout the district. This list of complete projects identifies the ongoing commitment by the art trust to this district: • Wakatipu Vessel (Omer park) • Mark Hill sculpture Visitors from afar • Paul Dibble Fern - Queenstown Gardens • Contribution towards sculpture of William Reece on the Queenstown Waterfront • A sculpture outside the Lake Wanaka Centre (Water Birds) • Hand Sculpture - Wanaka (The Hand that Nurtures) • Rebecca Rose - Droplets • Marshall Park Arrow town Park - Sculpture Mining theme • Donation for the benefit of the Queenstown Community of a Grand Piano based on the Queenstown Memorial Centre • Queenstown Anniversary Jazz Festival • Prominent textile Art work formerly at the Queenstown Airport labelled 4 Seasons • Wanaka Concert Society - Piano Seat • International Arts Festival - Wanaka (leverage Central Lakes Trust funding) • It has encouraged promotion of activities for participation in: • Queenstown Violin School • Memorial Hall - Mobile staging • Queenstown Anniversary Jazz Festival • Otago Arts Guide Book • Flame Fire Productions - Performance • Queenstown Ice - Performance The list of projects undertaken by the trust over the last fifteen year shows the strength and variety of art works and projects undertaken by the trust and therefore we request that Council continue to support the trust financially in the Ten Year Plan in order to continue this artistic legacy. With the recent adoption of our Arts Policy the arts trust is looking forward to working alongside Council to provide support and promotion of future projects in the district and is currently working on a list of sites suitable for artworks and a five year plan. We thank the QLDC for their ongoing financial support of the trust which allows us to leverage on behalf of the arts community of the district. Angus Welsh Chairperson

6 Other Comments

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BACKGROUND The various groups represented in this submission are currently using QLDC facilities located at the former Lakeview Holiday Park. The theatre groups use the former St John Ambulance facility in Isle Street. The Wakatipu Toy library uses the former shop at Lakeview and the Japanese Society uses another building within the Lakeview grounds. As the QLDC progresses its plans for the Lakeview site, these groups will need to relocate to new premises. Up until 2002 these groups were housed in the old classroom block at the former Queenstown District High School site on Ballarat Street. The groups were displaced when the council demolished this building and the associated Centennial Hall to provide car parking. The current facilities in Isle Street and the Lakeview site have served the various groups well, however they were not fit for purpose and the opportunity to invest money making them suit the individual groups needs more fully has now been lost – with the QLDC plans to redevelop the site. **WHERE TO NEXT?** It is the intention of the various groups represented here to fundraise and build a purpose built facility. Land has been identified on Ballarat Street, on the carpark, between the Queenstown Arts Centre and the QPACT Rooms. Utilising this land fits with the council's Transport Strategy, which aims to reduce long term parking in the CBD. It is also the user groups belief that this land should be used for community purposes, rather than carparking. The facility would house the various groups and provide space for other community groups for meetings and other activities. However the primary users represented here would hold precedence over the space. The cost of building this venue is around \$600,000 + GST. This does not include any site works, or preparation. **FUNDRAISING** The groups are committed to raising the money to build the facility. As well as approaching the community trusts, each group intends to contribute to the cause. For the purposes of fundraising and getting the project established a representative from each of the organisations will come together and form a trust. We expect to start building in late 2015, in order to vacate the Lakeview site in 2016, to allow the council to progress its plans there. **WHAT ARE WE ASKING THE COUNCIL TO DO?** We are asking the QLDC to set aside \$100,000 in the Ten Year Plan, to contribute to this project. In addition we would like the council to landscape the area around the facility, through its parks and recreation division. We would look to draw down this money towards the end of 2015. This would only occur if the community trusts are prepared to back the project. Following the completion of the project the intention is to pass the building into QLDC ownership, with a memorandum of understanding that the user groups will have rights to use the building in perpetuity. **WHY SHOULD THE COUNCIL SUPPORT THIS PROJECT?** The various user groups contribute to the social fabric of the Wakatipu community and are an important part of the community. On their own they would have no way of making the financial commitment to build a venue – and it makes sense that the facility supports as many groups as possible. The trust would work closely with the council, to make sure the plans are desirable and meet the councils requirements. This submission was made by Steve Wilde, on behalf of the user groups.

Wilkinson, Kim

UNICHEM WILKINSONS PHARMACY

WAKATIPU

1 Convention Centre

Do you support the revised rating model for the proposed convention centre?

Yes

Convention Centre Comments

We believe the revised rating model is an improvement as it reduces the overall rates for the general ratepayer. However we also support Council pursuing alternative funding options in order to reduce the burden on both general and commercial ratepayers. As a business we believe there are many benefits for Queenstown in having a convention centre built at the Lakeview site: 1) Diversification of reasons to visit Queenstown. At the moment Queenstown is very reliant on tourism. A conference centre can attract visitors from within NZ and across from Australia even if there is a crisis in air travel/global tourism through health scares, terrorism or other crises. 2) Attracting a different type of visitor. Conference goers are generally in the 30-65 age bracket. This age group can help balance the many young people who come to Queenstown and can help to alter the activity/party image that Queenstown currently has. 3) There is a large demand for a convention centre in downtown Queenstown. This comes from conference organisers, companies wishing to hold conferences in Queenstown and individuals of course wishing they could come to Queenstown for conferences. Our own pharmacy organisation Green Cross Health who oversee the marketing of over 300 Unichem and Life pharmacies would love to hold conferences in Queenstown but at the moment we do not have anywhere large enough to accommodate our group. 4) The Lakeview site is probably the last site in central Queenstown where a conference centre can be built and where conference goers can both walk to their accommodation and walk to a host of activities, retail and restaurant options. While other developments have occurred in Frankton (Queenstown Events Centre and Alpine Aqualand) and which are generally used by locals, a conference centre in central Queenstown has synergies which provide us with an opportunity that should not be missed. It will also help to keep any increase in traffic numbers to a minimum as it will reduce the need to transport conference goers to and from a conference centre outside of central Queenstown.

3 Transport Planning

3A. Is the Council taking the right approach to address congestion issues in central Queenstown by planning to reduce future traffic movements by 20 percent?

Yes

3A. Transport Planning Comments

Yes - we support this strategy through developing a world class public transport system, improving walkaways and improving cycleways to the periphery of the town centre. We do not support developing cycleways through the town centre if it involves the removal of "on street" car parks. We believe developing cycleways to the periphery of the town centre only but providing options to park bicycles throughout the town centre will help to encourage commuters in particular to leave their cars at home. While a 20% reduction in traffic movements into central Queenstown is targeted we believe that with the current increase in visitor numbers Queenstown is experiencing this target may be difficult to achieve. We believe there should be a backup plan to bring the Inner Links bypass project forward should traffic numbers deem it necessary. As a business we would also like to make it quite clear that the traffic congestion issues in central Queenstown are not brought about by traffic coming into the inner streets of the CBD. Traffic studies done by Council show that only 20-25% of traffic comes into the inner streets of the CBD while 75-80% of traffic is going around the CBD via Stanley and Shotover Streets. The inner streets of the CBD are not busy, are generally pedestrian friendly and traffic only comes to a standstill when vehicles are trying to access Stanley and Shotover Streets. This congestion could be alleviated if Hotops Rise (currently a "paper road") was opened up (as an "Exit Only" road) and a roundabout was introduced at the Copthorne/Millennium hotel intersection.

3B. Should Council increase parking charges and use any additional parking revenue to make public transport more affordable?

Yes

3B. Transport Parking Comments

Parking charges should be increased for all day parking in the town centre where currently the fees are extraordinarily low. However some of these all day car parks should be changed to “4 hour maximum” parking to give visitors a greater chance of accessing a car park. All day car parking should be encouraged to move to the Man Street car park. All permanently leased car parks in the Church Street car park should be terminated and encouraged to lease car parks in the Man Street car park - or preferably switch to public transport. Our business also employs staff who will not have access to convenient public transport and who will not choose to pay \$30 per week to park their car. We recognise that there must also be reasonably close and safe car parks for these people to access. Some of our staff work through until 10pm in the evening.

Williams, Robynne

NZONE SKYDIVE

WAKATIPU

1 Convention Centre

Do you support the revised rating model for the proposed convention centre?

Yes

2 Wanaka Pool

The majority of the Wanaka community (that responded) accepted paying a projected cost of \$184 per residential property per year in the Wanaka Ward. Do you prefer that this project begins now with the rate charged from 2017 or the pool and rate be deferred until 2023?

2023

3 Transport Planning

3A. Is the Council taking the right approach to address congestion issues in central Queenstown by planning to reduce future traffic movements by 20 percent?

Yes

3B. Should Council increase parking charges and use any additional parking revenue to make public transport more affordable?

Yes

4 Frankton Library

Should the Council build a library hub at Frankton in 2020, at an estimated cost of \$5.3m?

No

5 Water and Wastewater – a Standardised Rate

Do you agree that Council should further investigate the principle of a standardised rate for water and wastewater?

Yes

UPPER CLUTHA CONSERVATION TASKFORCE

WANAKA/UPPER CLUTHA

6 Other Comments

Would you like to comment on any other aspect of this draft 10 Year Plan?

The Upper Clutha Taskforce were formed to progress priorities and concerns raised by local groups and individuals with an interest in conservation at the Shaping Our Future Conservation forum held in May 2014. The recent focus of the Taskforce has been finalising recommendations to local councils which will address the communities' key conservation priorities and concerns from the forum. The Taskforce are keen to be heard with regards to the Long Term Plan as there are many themes which are reflected in the pending recommendations to council. (which will follow later this year) Firstly; A concern of the Taskforce is the links between international, national, district and regional plans. The Biodiversity Convention informs the National Biodiversity Strategy and the National Priorities for Protection of Biodiversity on Private Land. These in turn should be given effect ('operationalised') at a regional and district level. The fact that QLDC are reviewing their 10 year plan before the ORC Long Term Plan is reviewed means that the opportunity for this flow on effect is lost. We would like the Long Term Plan to recognise this and establish the means through which the flow on effect from ORC planning will be established. As a biodiversity strategy and associated work is to be a key focus for the ORC in the next 10 years, we expect that some of the operational aspects will require a partnership with QLDC. Hence we wish to outline our recommendations to QLDC also. Biodiversity • We would like to see the council support, encourage and enable communities working on biodiversity by providing essential resources in the form of technical advice (eg consultants), facilitators for working with individual communities, administrative support and collaborative forums/ meetings. The engagement process needs to be planned in a collaborative way with ORC and others. • The Biodiversity Strategy should incorporate: o the management of ecosystems. o the establishment of ecosystem services. The biodiversity strategy should facilitate delivering science and best practice principals to the farm gate via an education and advocacy mechanism eg extension officers. o the value of ecosystems. Economic factors are an essential element in the future management of biodiversity – we would like to see the region prepared for this. o the sustainability of pastoral and horticultural systems in the region and their links to native eco-systems (eg bee populations from native eco-systems contribute to horticultural ecosystems) o tangata whenua and cultural heritage. o fresh water biodiversity. o a focus on mid to low altitude indigenous biodiversity. o moving beyond biodiversity protection to restoration. This should include putting biodiversity back into production lands. o alignment with the Otago CMS and collaboration with the Otago Conservation Board. o Collaboration with Ngai Tahu and alignment with their strategies regarding historical and cultural resources. The term "wilding pines" should be replaced with "wilding trees". The Long Term Plan should also flag the future threat of Douglas fir which is not currently formally recognised.

WAKATIPU WILDING CONIFER CONTROL GROUP

6 Other Comments

Would you like to comment on any other aspect of this draft 10 Year Plan?

Summary of the submission •Recognition of the wilding threat to landscape, flora, fauna, historical areas, QLDC and Doc reserves, to tourism and therefore the community. •Historical support of QLDC in birthing WCG, supporting and financing wilding control. •WCG's robust 5 year strategy \$1 million per year budget is into the third year. •The past investment of millions in wilding control is wasted unless the task is completed and ongoing maintenance funded. •WCG calls for funding of \$330,000 from QLDC for the 2015/16 season, with an annual increase of \$100,000 annually until the budget of \$500,000 is reached by 2017/18, as outlined and approved by QLDC in last year's annual plan (2014/15)

1. Wilding control historically adopted by QLDC- 1.1 QLDC has recognised the enormous threat of wilding pines to the Wakatipu landscapes, to flora and fauna, to heritage values, to tourism, and to the community. In 2004 Council commissioned a Wilding Strategy. 1.2 In 2008 QLDC commissioned and adopted a Wilding Management Strategy for 2008 – 2012. The Strategy called for a community based Group to be established. Initiated by Council, WCG was formed in April 2009. 1.3 Council has received WCG reports, been totally supportive of, and backed WCG with staff, finance, resources, use of Council media and meeting venues. 1.4 The WCG 2013 Strategy adopted by QLDC is a programme of investing \$1 million per year for 5 years using 5 key strategies. 2. A decade of wilding control is a foresighted community investment-

Investment in wilding control	2004- 2008	2008 – 2013	2013- 2014	2014 – 2015
\$893,000	\$1.9 million	\$1.3 million	\$1.3 million	

2.2 Due to the exponential spread of wildings large investments are required to bring the control back to maintenance levels. 2.3 The five year strategy is aimed at protecting the financial investments to date and completing the control strategy. Any financial reduction will cause control to fall behind and exponential costs will escalate. 2.4 This wilding control season 2014/2015 WCG has invested \$1.3 million in boom spraying, helicopter lance and ground crew work 2.5 The WCG submit that Council make incremental increases of \$100,000 till a budget of \$500,000 for wilding control is reached by 2017/18. Wilding maintenance would be taken over by Council from 2018. A community base WCG will need to continue as a Charitable Trust in order to source extra funding and t maintain a community voice. 2.6 Unless further grants can be sourced the WCG Strategy budget of \$1 million per year may have a shortfall of \$500,000 in 2016/17 and 2017/18. 3. That QLDC becomes the lead agency in wilding control contributing an estimated maintenance budget beyond 2018-

3.1 By 2018 WCG plan to have eradicated most of the wilding seed sources in the Wakatipu. 3.2 Ongoing control will be necessary due to current germinating seed sources, the major seed source is coming from Wilson Bay/Ben Lomond/Bowen Peak/Queenstown Hill forests 3.3 Council would co-ordinate work with Doc, LINZ, Landowners, ORC, Businesses, Trusts and the community 3.4 WCG estimates a maintenance budget of five hundred thousand annually (\$500,000) from QLDC once the five year strategy ends. 4. Priority use of funding-

4.1. WCG's priority this year is to remove as many seeding trees, woodlots, shelter belts, windbreaks and ornamental conifers (other than Pinus radiata) as possible and permissible. The rationale behind removing seed sources which currently blow up and infest vulnerable land is important. The cost of constantly removing seedlings on infested land while still leaving seeding trees to rain seed onto cleared land is a no brainer. Eradication is possible; Contorta pine has been virtually eradicated from the Von Valley. Skippers will soon have all large seeding trees beyond Long Gully removed. Follow up work removing small seedlings will continue although only light re-infestation will occur. 4.2 That Council remove seed sources from the Coronet forest and QLDC Reserves. The part Council owned Coronet forest is pouring seed onto the Arrowtown faces drowning the autumn colours and the hill country beyond. Professional wilding advice would point to the forests removal, replanting in non-spreading species. WCG urges Council, as a good neighbour, to begin an eradication program in all QLDC forests and reserves. 4.3 Council has the potential to set an example to all landowners and ratepayers by investing in removing seed sources, thus reducing the future wilding control spend. 5. That QLDC establish and maintain a staff position specifically to control wildings-

5.1 WCG has learned that continuity of knowledge about the vast area presently covered by WCG is essential (Glenorchy to Kingston to the Meg, to Macetown, to Skippers). 5.2 Ongoing policy and relationships established with landowners and Doc are essential components to success. Stable personable, competent staff is essential to landowner co-operation. 6 That QLDC assists the WCG with Communication-

6.1 That Council communicate to all land owners who own conifers which are spreading wilding seed on low or non-grazed land, that as a good neighbour they should remove the conifer seed source by 2018 (Douglas Fir, Scots, Corsican and Larch trees). 3.1 Council is the lead agency in promoting tourism. To maintain the unique Lakes District alpine experience Council will promote and if possible enforce eradication and or control of wilding spread. Recommendations: 1. That QLDC increase the wilding budget to \$330K in the 2015/16 season, increasing by \$100k annually until the budget of \$500k is reached in 2018 2. That QLDC communicate to all land owners/occupiers who have conifers close to high risk spread areas the requirement to remove Douglas fir trees by

the year 2018 and that Council set the example by removing conifers and council forests and reserves 3. That QLDC use its coms resources to alert the community to the wilding conifer problem and its effects on the future of tourism and landscape issues. 4. That QLDC establish and maintain a staff position specifically to control wildings 5. That QLDC becomes the lead agency in wilding control contributing an estimated maintenance budget beyond 2018

CANTERBURY OF QUEENSTOWN

1 Convention Centre

Convention Centre Comments

As the owner of 2 retail businesses in the Queenstown CBD, I hereby submit my support for the development of a Convention Centre at the proposed Lakeview site. As one of the most preeminent global tourist destinations, Queenstown must continue to develop & evolve if it is to remain economically viable in the face of aggressive international competition. A (CBD-based) Convention Centre will generate the additional high-discretionary expenditure visitation essential to underpin ongoing economic growth for the region. Further, Queenstown is fortunate to already have in place supporting infrastructure (accommodation/direct international air links etc.) to exploit the development of a Convention Centre at minimal additional cost. The above support is conditional upon the ongoing search for funds from external sources (Central Govt/ Trusts/Corporates) to ensure that the impact on the rating base is capped at the proposed level.

Wood, Alastair

DOWNTOWN QT

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Other Comments

Would you like to comment on any other aspect of this draft 10 Year Plan?

See attached submission



**Submission by Downtown QT Incorporated
to the Queenstown Lakes District Council 10 Year Plan 2015**

1.0 TOWN CENTRE STRATEGY

1.1 BACKGROUND

Downtown QT (DQT) is an Incorporated Society with a representative board taken from a cross section of people and businesses who operate out of the Queenstown Town Centre Zone. The organisation is an initiative of the Queenstown Chamber of Commerce who identified the need for a collective, pro-active and unified voice contributing to the future benefit of the town centre. Steve Wilde has been appointed as the full time manager for the group.

Downtown QT is funded from voluntarily levies paid by members of the Incorporated Society. The initial board is as follows:

Alastair Wood (Chairperson)	Colliers International
Mike Burgess	Watertight Investments
Beatrice Riso	Louis Vuitton
Kim Wilkinson	Unichem Wilkinsons Pharmacy
Kelvin Collins	Highland Real Estate Group
Johnny Stevenson	Westwood Group Holdings
Grant Hattaway	Hattaway Consultancy
Phil Wilson	AWS Legal
Ann Lockhart (co-opted)	Queenstown Chamber of Commerce
Graham Budd (co-opted)	Destination Queenstown

The commercial and intrinsic value of the Queenstown town centre to the wider area is enormous. It's estimated over \$1 billion in property is located within the CBD boundary and as such the area contributes substantially to the QLDC rating budget. The Queenstown CBD is also fundamental to the tourism experience for the majority of visitors to the district.

In recent decades there has been a significant disconnect with regard to planning and development of the Queenstown CBD. Development, planning and infrastructure has been largely reactive instead of following a long term strategic plan.

Downtown QT intends to develop a long term strategic plan, by facilitating pro-active ideas from all stakeholders and businesses in the CBD. It will take into account the views from all sectors including office, retail, tourism, hospitality, corporate and property owners. There is substantial local knowledge that can be utilised for the benefit of the town centre as well as providing the council with important feedback and advice, which can be

incorporated not only into the District Plan, but the Transport Strategy and various other QLDC initiatives.

1.2 PROPOSAL

It is requested that the QLDC provides funding to develop a Queenstown Town Centre Strategic Plan. The DQT board is proposing to engage specialist consultant Chris Wilkinson, from First Retail Group, to facilitate and complete this plan. In addition the Town Centre Manager, Steve Wilde, will co-ordinate with the various QLDC divisions to get their input. The intention is to develop a “living document” which can be updated annually.

First Retail Group Ltd are a leading consultancy specialising in retail, hospitality and tourism strategies. The company is acknowledged for its work in town centre resilience - helping councils and CBD stakeholder groups develop opportunity, drive performance and manage risk.

First Retail have developed much of the foundation insight, strategy and systems that informs the Downtown QT group and has built a considerable depth of knowledge in this specialist market.

In 2014 First Retail Group first commissioned a survey of the Town Centre occupiers on behalf of Downtown QT, this provided a basis on which the strategy plan could be developed.

The following points were canvased:

- **Commercial Curation:** What is the preferred business and retail mix and can precincts be developed?
- **Consistency and Assurance:** Develop ideal opening hours for retail businesses to provide the best experience for shoppers and tourists and leading to a better “late night” feel to town.
- **Local Connection and Engagement:** Establish ways of getting local “buy-in” and ownership of the town centre, making it easier for them to access the CBD.
- **Transport and Parking:** Align these with wider district issues and what works in other tourist towns in Australia and further afield.
- **Accessibility and Usability:** Develop better pedestrian flows around the CBD and, as the town expands, ensure these flows are managed into the future.
- **Look and Feel:** Establish a clear vision on streetscape and landscaping with planned expenditure tagged over the next ten years.
- **Security and Lighting:** Ensuring our downtown remains a safe and welcoming place.
- **Hospitality and Retail Alignment:** How can both sectors work together strategically to build commercial success, whilst meeting new markets and improving the visitor experience.
- **Hospitality – Mix and Offer:** What works and how can we provide a better experience.
- **Future Development:** How do we want the buildings to look going forward, what heights are appropriate on what streets, should we have building setbacks to encourage better pedestrian flows in some areas? The design review committee would be better informed and able to make better decisions if there was clear long term vision for the town centre appearance.

- **Existing Buildings:** Are there minimum standards that should be met with regards to building appearance and maintenance. These need to be feedback through the District Plan review process.

1.3 PROCESS

Through a collaborative and engaging approach, Downtown QT, plans to develop greater insight around trends, opportunity and risk that influence the commercial dynamics in the town centre. This would involve building on past consultations with stakeholders, wider discussions with industry groups and alignment with future council vision.

First Retail Group, along with Downtown QT's Manager would develop a comprehensive picture of future needs and how the CBD can best meet those through strategic development, optimising the retail and hospitality mix along with commercial collaborations.

The result would be a detailed strategy that would help guide future town centre initiatives.

Delivery: Consultation two months. Strategic Plan development one month.

1.4 COST

Significant financial resources and voluntary time have already been committed, in particular by the Chamber of Commerce, to get the Downtown QT group established. Downtown QT therefore seeks \$50,000 (plus GST) funding, to be included in the 10 Year Plan, to allow it to engage First Retail Group to complete the Queenstown Town Centre Strategic Plan.

The strategy will be reviewed, refined and developed annually. The costs of this are expected to be between \$20 and \$30 thousand. Downtown QT expects to make submissions to the 2016 and 2017 annual plan to cover those costs.

2.0 FRANKTON LIBRARY

2.1 BACKGROUND

The QLDC plans to develop a library "hub" at Frankton in 2020, with the facility projected to be 3 times the size of the current downtown Queenstown Library. At that point the council plans to reduce the Queenstown Library to a "shop front" facility. The council has included a figure of \$5.3 million in the TYP to develop the Frankton Library.

2.2 RETAIN MAIN LIBRARY SERVICES IN QUEENSTOWN

Downtown QT opposes the setting up of a major library facility in Frankton. The district's main library facility should continue to be in downtown Queenstown. The Queenstown Town Centre must remain a vibrant and dynamic place, which attracts not only tourists but residents as well. We

believe the library facilities should be retained and enhanced within the Town Centre Zone. The main library for the area should be a showcase and therefore must be located in downtown Queenstown.

3.0 LAKEVIEW CONVENTION CENTRE

3.1 BACKGROUND

The QLDC has resolved to investigate a change in the rating model for a convention centre to be built on the Lakeview site in downtown Queenstown. We support the establishment of a convention centre beside the Town Centre Zone.

3.2 RATING IMPLICATIONS

Downtown QT has not been able to canvas its members about whether they support the proposed new rating model, due to the fact the organisation has only recently been established. We do however acknowledge, in some cases the rating model places a heavy burden on certain individual CBD businesses. However we also note that for most, the rating costs are reasonable when the benefits are factored into the equation.

Downtown QT remains neutral on the new rating model. While Downtown QT accepts Town Centre Zone businesses are within the primary area of benefit, it would only support the new rating model if the QLDC made it a priority to secure a private development partner and investigate alternate funding models, including the investigation of a visitor levy to help offset the rating implications for Town Centre businesses.

Downtown QT supports the convention centre remaining in the TYP, while those options are further investigated.

Downtown QT Incorporated wishes to speak in support of its submission.

Submitted on behalf of Downtown QT Incorporated by the Chairperson Alastair Wood.

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Woods, Lindsay

LA SOCIAL

WAKATIPU

1 Convention Centre

Do you support the revised rating model for the proposed convention centre?

Yes

Convention Centre Comments

We're firmly in favour of the development of a convention centre that can cater for larger groups. As a company doing business and providing employment in this town, this means greater opportunities for us to continue to grow with all the positives that implies. I don't expect I can add anything to the discussion, but to reiterate that the largest venues our teams perform in are Millenium, Skyline and the Event Centre. Millenium and Skyline struggle with groups of more than 400 and the event centre comes with many compromises. Being able to serve groups of up to 1000 people will have to mean increased event visitors and spend in Queenstown. Where at the moment those groups will be looking to other centres purely on the basis of their capacity. Very much in favour!

3 Transport Planning

3A. Is the Council taking the right approach to address congestion issues in central Queenstown by planning to reduce future traffic movements by 20 percent?

Yes

3B. Should Council increase parking charges and use any additional parking revenue to make public transport more affordable?

No

4 Frankton Library

Should the Council build a library hub at Frankton in 2020, at an estimated cost of \$5.3m?

No

Frankton Library Comments

Maybe. How much use do libraries get now? Sorry, I just read on my kindle.

5 Water and Wastewater – a Standardised Rate

Do you agree that Council should further investigate the principle of a standardised rate for water and wastewater?

Yes

Water and Wastewater Comments

Perhaps. We live at Jacks Point and get slammed for water usage - I don't expect that would impact us at all.