

QUEENSTOWN LAKES DISTRICT COUNCIL
SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF PROPOSAL
WATER SUPPLY BYLAW 2015

INTRODUCTION

This summary of the statement of proposal has been prepared in accordance with Section 83(1) of the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA 2002).

BACKGROUND

The Queenstown Lakes District Council is the regulatory agency who has enforcement capabilities with the objective of effectively managing and regulating water supply.

The Queenstown Lakes District Council Water Supply Bylaw 2008 (the current bylaw), made pursuant to section 146 of the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA02), is one of the tools used by Council to regulate water supply in the district.

Council undertook a review of the current bylaw in consideration of the following matter:

- a) A programmed review under the requirements of the Local Government Act 2002.

KEY FEATURES OF PROPOSAL

The Council has determined that a bylaw is the most appropriate method of control and restriction of the Queenstown Lakes District water supply.

As a result of this review it has been determined that the current bylaw should be amended by:

- Updating the language used in the bylaw; and
- Amending provisions relating to the prohibition or restriction of supply.

TIMETABLE FOR CONSULTATION

The following dates represent the key times in the consultation programme:

27 August 2015	Council resolves to undertake public consultation regarding the proposed bylaw.
29 August – 3 September 2015	Advertisement in Otago Daily Times, Southland Times, Mirror and Wanaka Sun
29 September 2015	Submissions close.
12 – 16 October 2015	Submissions heard by a subcommittee of Councillors (to be confirmed).
26 November 2015	Council considers outcome of consultation process. Adoption of Queenstown Lakes District Water Supply Bylaw 2015.
27 November –	Public notice of final decision (if Council resolves to adopt the bylaw).
1 December 2015	The Bylaw comes into effect subject to the above.

INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS AND OBTAINING COPIES

Copies of this proposal, the draft Bylaw and the supporting reports may be inspected, and a copy obtained, at no cost, from:

- a) Either of the Council offices at 10 Gorge Road, Queenstown or the Wanaka Service Centre, 47 Ardmore Street, Wanaka
- b) Any Council library within the Queenstown Lakes District.
- c) The Council website – www.qldc.govt.nz

RIGHT TO MAKE A SUBMISSION AND BE HEARD

Any person or Organisation has a right to be heard in regard to this proposal and the Council would encourage everyone with an interest to do so.

The Council would prefer that all parties intending to make a submission go to the Queenstown Lakes District Council Website: www.qldc.govt.nz or post it to the Regulatory Department, Queenstown Lakes District Council, Private Bag 50072, Queenstown 9348. Submissions must be received by 29 September 2015. The Council will then convene a hearing, which it intends to hold between 12 – 16 October 2015, at which any party who wishes to do so can present their submission in person.

Equal weight will be given to written and oral submissions.

The Council will permit parties to make oral submissions (without prior written material) or to make a late submission, only where it considers that special circumstances apply.

Every submission made to the Council will be acknowledged in accordance with the Act, will be copied and made available to the public, and every submission will be heard in a meeting that is open to the public.

Section 82 of the Local Government Act sets out the obligations of the Council in regard to consultation and the Council will take all steps necessary to meet the spirit and intent of the law.

MAKING AN EFFECTIVE SUBMISSION

Written submissions can take any form (e.g. email, letter). An effective submission references the clause(s) of the draft Bylaw you wish to submit on, states why the clause is supported or not supported and states what change to the clause is sought.

Submissions on matters outside the scope of the Bylaw cannot be considered by the Hearings Panel.

Adam Feeley
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Attachment 1: Proposed Queenstown Lakes District Council Water Supply Bylaw 2015.