



15 August 2019

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

To whom it may concern,

This letter is written in support of an application for funding for the St Peter's Hall and Parish Centre maintenance project. I have been briefed by Mr Trevor Kerr on the plans for the proposed work. Both as Mayor and personally, I am fully supportive of this application.

One of the most photographed parts of Queenstown's built landscape is the iconic St Peter's Church. Closely associated with the Church itself, are the Hall and Parish Centre. These buildings date back to 1869 and 1905, they are without doubt a very important part of Queenstown's heritage.

While the buildings have a clear and significant historical value, they are also very much a working part of the Wakatipu community. The buildings are used not only by the Church itself, but several religious and community Groups, and they fulfil an important function in a town where community space is at a premium.

I personally feel a strong attachment to the Church and its subsidiary buildings. Like many Queenstowners, I am sure, I was married in the church and both my children were christened there. While I get many requests for support of this type, this is a clear occasion where on behalf of the entire district, I confirm strong council support for funding assistance for this very important project.

Yours sincerely,

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MAYOR