



Order Paper for the

**HEARING OF SUBMISSIONS TO THE DRAFT LAKE HAYES
ESTATE, SHOTOVER COUNTRY AND BRIDESDALE
RESERVE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Monday, 26 July 2021

commencing at 10.00am

in the Council Chambers

10 Gorge Road, Queenstown

9.12 Items of business not on the agenda which cannot be delayed

A meeting may deal with an item of business that is not on the agenda where the meeting resolves to deal with the item and the Chairperson provides the following information during the public part of the meeting:

- (a) the reason the item is not on the agenda; and
- (b) the reason why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

s. 46A (7), LGOIMA

Items not on the agenda may be brought before the meeting through a report from either the Chief Executive or the Chairperson.

Please note that nothing in this standing order removes the requirement to meet the provisions of Part 6, LGA 2002 with regard to consultation and decision-making.

9.13 Discussion of minor matters not on the agenda

A meeting may discuss an item that is not on the agenda only if it is a minor matter relating to the general business of the meeting and the Chairperson explains at the beginning of the public part of the meeting that the item will be discussed. However the meeting may not make a resolution, decision or recommendation about the item, except to refer it to a subsequent meeting for further discussion.

s. 46A (7A), LGOIMA.

Reference:

Queenstown Lakes District Council Standing Orders adopted on 12 December 2019.

QUEENSTOWN LAKES DISTRICT COUNCIL

HEARING OF SUBMISSIONS TO THE:

DRAFT LAKE HAYES ESTATE, SHOTOVER COUNTRY AND BRIDESDALE RESERVE
MANAGEMENT PLAN

HEARING PANEL MEMBERS:

Councillor H Copland

Councillor N Gladding

Councillor G Lewers

Chair of hearing panel to be determined at beginning of hearing

**Hearing of submissions to the Draft Lake Hayes
Estate, Shotover Country and Bridesdale Reserve
Management Plan
26 July 2021**

Agenda for a hearing of submissions to the Draft Lake Hayes Estate, Shotover Country and Bridesdale Reserve Management Plan, to be held in the Council Chambers, 10 Gorge Road, Queenstown on Monday 26 July 2021 commencing at 10.00am.

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Hearing of submissions to the Draft Lake Hayes Estate, Shotover Country and Bridesdale Reserve Management Plan
26 July 2021

Report for Agenda Item | Rīpoata moto e Rāraki take 1

Department: Community Services

Title | Taitara Hearing of Submissions to the Draft Lake Hayes Estate, Shotover Country and Bridesdale Reserve Management Plan

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT | TE TAKE MŌ TE PŪRONGO

- 1 The purpose of this report is to hear submissions received on the Draft Lake Hayes Estate, Shotover Country and Bridesdale Reserve Management Plan.

RECOMMENDATION | NGĀ TŪTOHUNGA

- 2 That the Hearings Panel:
 1. **Consider** the submissions to the Draft Reserve Management Plan, together with advice from officers;
 2. **Recommend** to the Community & Services Committee that the Draft Lake Hayes Estate, Shotover Country and Bridesdale Reserve Management Plan is adopted.

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CONTEXT | HOROPAKI

- 3 Section 41 of the Reserves Act 1977 (the Reserves Act) states recreation reserves under Council's administration are required to have reserve management plans, prepared in accordance with the Reserves Act.
- 4 The Draft Lake Hayes Estate, Shotover Country and Bridesdale Reserve Management Plan (Draft RMP) was approved for public consultation by the Community & Services Committee on 25 February 2021.
- 5 Public consultation on the Draft RMP (refer **ATTACHMENT A**) opened on 29 March 2021 and closed on 28 May 2021. The hearings panel comprising Councillors Heath Copland, Glyn Lewers and Niki Gladding has been appointed to hear public submissions.
- 6 The Draft RMP describes the general intentions for the use, maintenance, protection, preservation and development of recreation reserves in Lake Hayes Estate, Shotover Country and Bridesdale, through a series of objectives and policies. These will assist with decision making regarding development and use of the reserves.

ANALYSIS AND ADVICE | TATĀRITANGA ME NGĀ TOHUTOHU

Submissions

- 6 Twelve public submissions (refer **ATTACHMENT B**) were received. Five submitters have requested to be heard.
- 7 The points raised by the submitters and officer comment on each submission are set out in the Summary of Submissions (refer **ATTACHMENT C**).
- 8 The hearings panel must give full consideration to the submissions received and determine the extent to which the submissions are accepted or not accepted.

Comment

- 9 Submissions can be grouped into the following themes:

Range of reserve types and experiences

- 10 The range of the existing reserve types and the experiences they provide is highly valued by the community - including interaction with nature, and informal recreation, food gathering, playgrounds, pump tracks, sports fields and hardcourts. However, the need to improve the quality of existing multi-use spaces such as McBride Park and develop multi-use reserves in Bridesdale and particularly Shotover Country are seen as necessary to make the reserves meet the needs of a wider spectrum of age ranges, abilities and community activities.

Playgrounds and facilities

- 11 New and additional play equipment is seen as a high priority. Four submitters requested playground equipment at Merton Park and submitted that it is an ideal site due to the

provision of sun, space, parking and the community's understanding that this was the original intended land use, which was expected to be delivered by the developer.

- 12 Five submitters requested that more community facilities and multiple-purpose reserves are provided in Shotover Country specifically. The suggested reserve improvements include picnic tables, playgrounds, formal sports pitches, storage sheds and toilets.

Cricket pitch

- 13 Developing artificial cricket pitches were proposed at Shotover Country sports field. There is a desire for these to be incorporated in a way that creates and enhances the opportunities for multi-use sports and recreation.

Natural reserves and pest control

- 14 Additional tree planting, ecological enhancement and amenity planting was a recurring comment. Submissions included requests for:

- Community fruit trees,
- Support for wetlands enhancement in Bridesdale and Shotover Country,
- Creation of more bird and wildlife habitat,
- Planting a wind break hedge at the McBride Park hardcourt,
- Activating Nerin Square with amenity planting,
- Planting for tree succession in Walnut Grove.

- 15 Controlling noxious weeds and rabbits was also suggested to improve natural reserve areas, sport fields, Bridesdale garden allotments and Widgeon Place reserve. Widgeon Place reserve was seen as a natural, relaxing place to walk that supports birdlife and would be sensitive to development, particularly structures or parking.

Bridesdale parking and access

- 16 Adding parking and access policies to the Bridesdale Farm Wetlands Lake Hayes Creek reserve was proposed by Kjet to enable a consented public ferry jetty on the Kawarau River. This would require an engineered road and provision for commuter parking. Kjet propose the Leases and Licences Policy would also need to be updated to allow for activities other than recreation on the reserve land.

Smoke free

- 17 Southern District Health Board recommended smoke free reserves that meet all accessibility needs.

CONSULTATION PROCESS | HĀTEPE MATAPAKI:

> SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT | TE WHAKAMAHI I KĀ WHAKAARO HIRAKA

- 18 This matter is of medium significance, as determined by reference to the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy because of the demonstrated community interest and potential impacts on the Council's Ten Year Plan.

19 The persons who are affected by, or interested in this matter, are the residents/ratepayers of the Queenstown Lakes District and visitors to, and users of, the recreation reserves of Lake Hayes Estate, Shotover Country and Bridesdale.

20 The Council has consulted by seeking public feedback and publicly notified the Draft RMP under s119 of the Reserves Act.

RISK AND MITIGATIONS | NGĀ RARU TŪPONO ME NGĀ WHAKAMAURUTANGA

21 This matter relates to the Community & Wellbeing risk category. It is associated with RISK000009 Ineffective management of community assets within the [QLDC Risk Register](#). This risk has been assessed as having a high inherent risk rating, because it is associated with the management of community assets

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | NGĀ RITENGA Ā-PŪTEA

22 The cost of hearing public submissions on the Draft RMP is covered by operational budgets.

COUNCIL EFFECTS AND VIEWS | NGĀ WHAKAAWEAWE ME NGĀ TIROHANGA A TE KAUNIHERA

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

- The Draft RMP aligns with the principles of the Vision Beyond 2050: <https://www.qldc.govt.nz/vision-beyond-2050/>
- Reserves Act 1977.
- Local Government Act 2002.
- Parks & Open Spaces Strategy 2017 and Draft 2021.
- Proposed and Operative District Plan.

24 This matter is included in the Ten Year Plan.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS AND STATUTORY RESPONSIBILITIES | KA TURE WHAIWHAKAARO, ME KĀ TAKOHAKA WAETURE

25 The Draft RMP has been prepared in accordance with the Reserves Act 1977.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2002 PURPOSE PROVISIONS | TE WHAKATURETURE 2002 O TE KĀWANATAKA Ā-KĀIKA

26 This RMP process, hearing the submissions:

- Will help meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions in a way that is most cost-effective for households and businesses by setting out a vision for the character and use of reserves;
- Can be implemented through current funding under the Ten Year Plan and Annual Plan;

- Is consistent with the Council's plans and policies; and
- Would not alter significantly the intended level of service provision for any significant activity undertaken by or on behalf of the Council, or transfer the ownership or control of a strategic asset to or from the Council.

ATTACHMENTS | NGĀ TĀPIRIHANGA

A	Draft Reserve Management Plan
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DRAFT LAKE HAYES ESTATE, SHOTOVER COUNTRY AND BRIDESDALE (LHESCB) RESERVE MANAGEMENT PLAN 2021



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1. INTRODUCTION

This Omnibus Reserve Management Plan (Plan) provides a vision for the current and future use of reserves in the Lake Hayes Estate, Shotover Country and Bridesdale Farm (LHESCB) residential areas.

The Reserves Act 1977 requires the Queenstown Lakes District Council (QLDC) to prepare Reserve Management Plans for all land classified as Recreation Reserve under council management or control.

The Plan outlines the vision for the LHESCB reserves. Objectives and policies define common management and development intentions across all reserves and there are specific policies for individual reserves.

In line with the Parks & Reserves Open Space Strategy, the aim for the LHESCB Reserves is that they provide a range of open space public recreation options within the local community. The emphasis of this Plan is on providing reserves that generate community connection and enable access to the natural environment through a range of reserve types.

I 2. RESERVE DESCRIPTION

*The LHESCB Reserves were vested to council gradually since the early 2000's as part of the LHESCB residential developments. They comprise a total area of approximately **45 hectares**.*

The LHESCB Reserves are for the enjoyment and benefit of the local community, residents and visitors, to facilitate recreation, sport, open space amenity and community wellbeing.

Access to the natural environment, including the Kawarau and Shotover Rivers, streams, wetlands and mountain views, is provided by many of the reserves. They provide the opportunity to interact with wildlife including native birdlife, ducks, fish and grazing stock in a semi-rural setting. They also link to the Queenstown Trails Trust network and QLDC Active Travel routes.

Passive recreation and informal sports are the primary uses of the reserves. They are predominantly within, or bounded, by Outstanding Natural Landscape and Rural General zones. River flat reserves bordering the Kawarau River have wild and open space qualities, including wetlands, native revegetation and agricultural production. This also means they experience a high water table and can be flood prone.

High power transmission lines traverse the LHESCB residential area and limit use of the reserves within this corridor. Vehicle access to and within the LHESCB residential area is constrained and limits capacity to provide district or regional scale facilities and events.

The LHESCB residential areas would benefit from enhanced reserves to cater for the community's needs.

As this relatively new residential community develops, there is an opportunity to reinforce the natural and open character of the reserves through native revegetation, and amenity planting.



3. DESCRIPTION OF PRIMARY USERS AND ACTIVITIES

Reserve users include walkers, cyclists, dog exercisers, community groups, sports groups, farmers, river swimmers, anglers, boat users and wildlife. Trails especially, are used by both residents and visitors to Queenstown.

Approximately 10 hectares is currently leased for agricultural use; grazing and baleage.

4. VISION, OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

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4.1 Vision

Lake Hayes Estate, Shotover Country and Bridesdale Reserves provide a range of reserves that generate community connection and enable access to open space, recreation, the natural environment and provide for wellbeing.

4.2 Objectives

The following objectives and policies Objectives for the management of the LHESCB Reserves:

- 4.2.1 To accommodate appropriate activities for all ages and abilities in defined areas that enhance the community's use, access and enjoyment of the reserves.
- 4.2.2 To maintain and develop the reserves in a planned manner to achieve quality open space that provides opportunities for enjoyment and a range of uses by residents and visitors.

- 4.2.3 To provide reserves that positively contribute to the open space character and support balanced positive social, cultural, and environmental outcomes.
- 4.2.4 To allow for built structures that support the uses of the reserves and that positively contribute to the amenity of the area and public benefit.
- 4.2.5 To support the natural ecological systems within the reserves, including endemic biodiversity habitat and sustainable water quality processes.

4.3 Policies

Policies to support the objectives pertaining to all LHESCB Reserves:

4.3.1 Activities

- a. Permit the use of reserves for cultural, recreational, sporting and community activities.
- b. Support existing community activities that provide ecological benefits, such as wetland restoration.
- c. Support community initiatives, which uphold the character, access and environmental objectives of the Plan.

4.3.2 Buildings

- a. Consider the development of built structures, as necessary, to provide for the function and support of formal and informal sport and recreation activities on reserves.
- b. Encourage a collaborative and non-exclusive use of built structures, to minimise the built footprint on reserves.
- c. Consider development of clubrooms and storage that support the function of clubs and groups.

- d. Permit construction of public toilets and shelters on the reserves to meet the needs of reserve users.
- e. Encourage building designs, colours and materials that are of a high quality and do not detract from the character or amenity of the reserves. Buildings shall be supported by landscaping to ensure that they enhance the character of the reserves.

4.3.3 Access

- a. Facilitate reasonable access to as many areas of the reserves as possible for persons with restricted mobility in accordance with QLDC's Disability Policy.
- b. Provide playgrounds, paths or fitness equipment that gives consideration to providing recreation opportunities to people with limited mobility.
- c. Consider the development of cycle and pedestrian trails to facilitate greater active transport connectivity networks, only where the development of such will not conflict with, or detract from, the recreational purpose of the reserves.

- d. Consider the development of car and bike parking to the extent that they do not limit the capacity of the reserve to provide quality recreation open space. This means there must be consideration to limit hard surfaces and maintain the open space and ecological benefits of the reserve.
- e. Maintain tracks and trails for recreation and active travel.

4.3.4 Events

- a. Permit the use of the reserves for sporting, cultural, community and recreational events of an appropriate scale, including associated parking if ground conditions allow.
- b. Ensure that events do not compromise the primary functions of the reserves to enable recreation and sporting opportunities, and those events have contingency plans to relocate should ground conditions not be suitable.

4.3.5 Sports Fields

- a. Encourage collaborative and non-exclusive use of sports fields, to ensure they are available for a variety of community and sporting groups.
- b. Maintain formalised sports fields to a level of service, equivalent to other comparably used sports fields in the District.

4.3.6 Leases and Licences

- a. Consider new recreation opportunities, permits and licences where they do not conflict with existing uses and are consistent with the character of the reserves.

4.3.7 Services

- a. Permit the placement and maintenance of utility services where the reserve is not likely to be materially altered or permanently damaged, or the rights of the public using the reserves are permanently affected.
- b. Site underground utility services to avoid existing and potential features, including trees and waterways.

4.3.8 Trees, Landscaping and Ecology

- a. Encourage community engagement and involvement in selecting, planting and caring for reserve plantings that support biodiversity and provide amenity that complements the character and functions of reserves.
- b. Enable ecological enhancement of reserves through initiatives such as native revegetation, endemic species habitat improvement and sustainable water quality practices.
- c. Monitor and control noxious weeds and wilding species.

4.3.9 Irrigation

- a. Allow for irrigation where there is a demonstrated need that irrigation is necessary and appropriate to support the establishment of reserve and community planting.

4.3.10 Encroachment

- a. Ensure adjacent residential properties do not encroach into reserves by extending landscaping, lawn areas and structures beyond reserve boundaries, or using the reserve for the storage of property.

4.4 Reserve Specific Policies

4.4.1

Castalia Park

Orbell Park

Description:

Castalia Park (12500m²)

Orbell Park (6351m²)

Total combined area approximately 1.9 ha.

Two adjoining reserves providing connection trails and containing storm water ponds, which attract ducks.

These reserves primarily provide for storm water management and pedestrian connections.

Map of Castalia & Orbell Parks, Lake Hayes Estate



Castalia Park 2021



4.4.2

Common Lane Florence Park Headington Hill Onslow Road Reserve

Description:

Common Lane (13984m²)

Florence Park (2887m²)

Headington Hill (2627m²)

Onslow Road Reserve (5153m²)

Total combined area approximately 2.5 ha.

A series of linked reserves situated under the high voltage transmission line.

These reserves primarily provide for a trail connecting the LHESCB residential area from east to west.

Onslow Road Reserve provides a vantage point overlooking the Shotover River and residential area.

Development of these reserves is limited by the overhead transmission line, which requires a no build area underneath.

Map of Common Lane and Onslow Road Reserves, LHESC



Map of Florence Park and Headington Hill, LHESC



4.4.3 Coventry Crescent Reserve Marston Road Reserve

Description:

Coventry Crescent Reserve & Marston Road Reserve

Approximately 578m² each.

Linear connection reserves linking Coventry Crescent to Marston Road. They provide play equipment, park furniture, native and specimen plantings facilitating recreation, amenity, shade and small social gathering places.



4.4.4 McBride Park

Description:

McBride Park

Approximately 2.89 ha.

McBride Park is centrally located within Lake Hayes Estate and adjoins other community services and commercial facilities, including café, childcare centre and bus stop.

It is a developed reserve containing play facilities, pump tracks, a hard court, informal sports field, toilets and bbq facilities.

There is opportunity to improve the sports field turf, consider additional hardcourts, structures and planting to deliver more recreation uses and to provide shade and wind screening.

Development of these reserves is limited by the overhead transmission line, which requires a no build area underneath.

Policies:

- Undertake improvements to sports field turf and maintenance levels to accommodate ongoing informal sports recreation.
- Undertake improvements to existing hardcourts, their ancillary amenities and allow for additional hardcourt surfaces.



4.4.5 Merton Park

Description:

Merton Park

Approximately 3985m² (0.39 ha).

A small open space, currently undeveloped, reserve.

There is opportunity to enhance this reserve and improve amenity and recreation quality.

Policies:

- a. Consider development of local park facilities including play equipment, park furniture and planting.



Merton Park, 2021



4.4.6 Nerin Square

Description:

Nerin Square

Total area managed as a recreation reserve is 3557m². (The grassed area comprises recreation and road reserve).

Nerin Square is located at the heart of the Lake Hayes Community. It is a level open space gateway into the residential area and sits next to the Lake Hayes commercial precinct and bus stop.

As a 'gateway' it presents an opportunity to represent the character and values of the Lake Hayes Estate and Bridesdale communities.

There are limits to development due to being bordered on all sides by road reserve as well as the placement of underground services.

Community initiatives, events and improvements may increase the range of recreation benefits of this reserve.

Policies:

- a. Consider local park amenity improvements including signage, park furniture, planting and pathways.



Nerin Square, 2021



4.4.7 Richmond Park

Description:

Richmond Park

Approximately 4143m² (0.41 ha).

Located next to Shotover Primary School, Richmond Park provides community and recreation amenities including bus stop, pump track, picnic tables and toilets.

Primary school students are considered the primary users of this reserve.

Policies:

- a. Support community initiatives, which uphold the character, access and environmental objectives of the Plan, while providing a range of recreation for youth.



Richmond Park, 2021



4.4.8 Shotover Country Sports Field Headley Drive Reserve

Description:

Shotover Country Sports Field

Approximately 3.85 ha.

This reserve contains a full size sports field that can provide for organised sports recreation and accompanying facilities.

A vehicle access easement exists along the west and south boundary of the reserve to access a private equestrian facility.

The scale of sporting events is limited by safe vehicle access through residential streets.

Shotover Country Sports field is subject to additional specific objectives:

Objectives:

- To maintain to an appropriate level the field for informal and organised sports.
- To work with adjoining land owners to manage wider open space values and issues.

- To maintain access to adjoining trails and the Shotover River.

Policies:

- Allow for appropriate development that supports the use of the reserve.
- Allow for small-scale structures associated with recreation activities on the reserve where they provide public benefit.
- Provide changing facilities and toilets that support formal public sports recreation.
- Provide for a car park that supports the use of the reserve.
- Promote public use of the sports field and accommodate school and club use, through a booking system.
- Provide a cricket pitch.
- Allow for continued use and enhancement of Two Rivers Trail including ancillary elements such as planting, signage and shelter.

Map of Shotover Sports Field and Headley Drive Reserve, Shotover Country



Shotover Country Sports Field, 2020



4.4.9 Shotover Country Wetlands

Description:

Shotover Country Wetlands

Approximately 6.89 ha.

This reserve comprises a regionally significant wetland as identified by Otago Regional Council.

It is valued for its ecological storm water functions and wildlife habitat.

Shotover Country Wetlands is subject to additional specific objectives:

Objective:

- a. To manage the wetlands to achieve quality ecological, water quality and biodiversity outcomes.
- b. To facilitate the development of directional signage where necessary and interpretive information relating to historical, cultural and ecological values of reserve areas.

Policies:

- a. Support community engagement and initiatives that enhance the ecological values of the wetland.
- b. Support preservation and development of habitat for rare and endangered endemic species previously identified at this site.

Such as:

- Olearia lineata
- Koaro
- Longfin eel
- Eastern falcon
- Black shag
- Pied stilt
- Marsh crane
- NZ pipit
- Black fronted tern
- Australasian bittern

- c. Manage the reserves to provide opportunities for ecological restoration.
- d. Support improved pedestrian access through wetlands, where it does not affect the ecological and habitat functions of the wetland.
- e. Provide interpretative educational signage with input from community.



Shotover Country Wetlands, 2020



4.4.10 Shotover Country Reserves – unnamed

Description:

Shotover Country – unnamed reserves

Total combined area approximately 2.7 ha.

These reserves provide an open space buffer between Shotover River and the residential development.

Map of Shotover Country reserves – unnamed



Shotover Country reserves - unnamed, 2021.
Location of Twin Rivers Trail and QLDC bore field



4.4.11 Walnut Grove

Description:

Walnut Grove

Approximately 1.30 ha.

An established grove of walnut trees (*Juglans regia* English walnut or common walnut), valued for their shade, food and heritage values.

The walnut trees are listed on the Protected Tree Schedule of the QLDC District Plan.

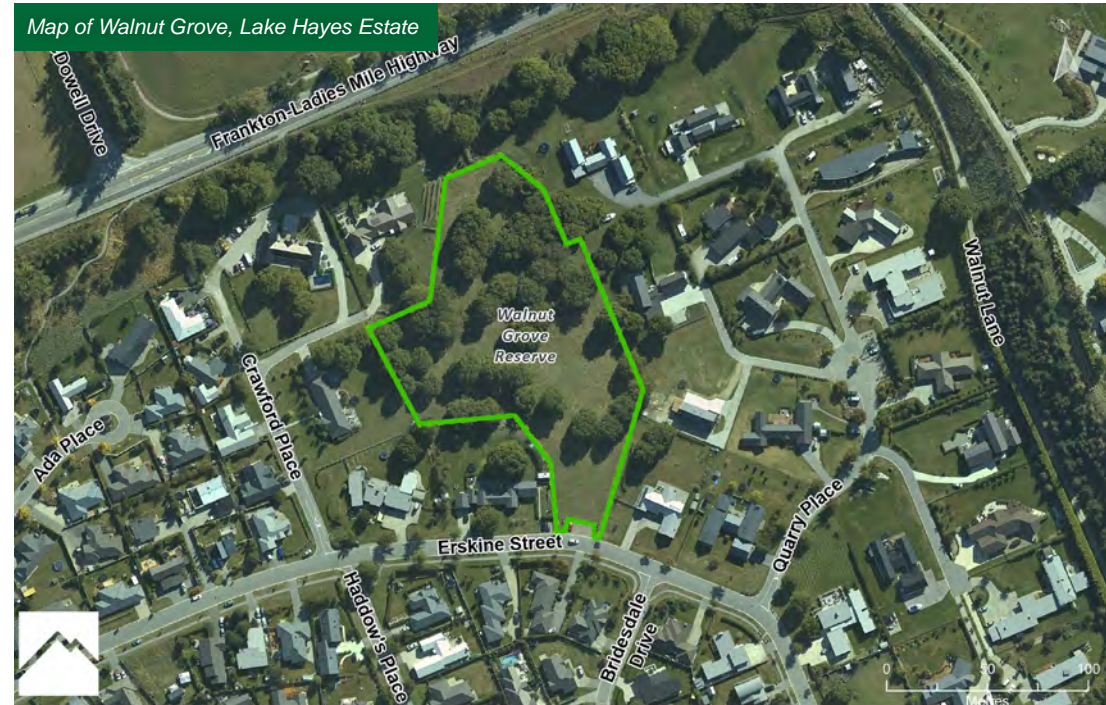
Walnut Grove is subject to additional specific objectives:

Objective:

- a. To adequately maintain the protected trees to a level required to support a long and healthy life.
- b. To allow for succession planting in order to ensure there is an emerging tree canopy as the established Walnut trees may reach the end of their viable life at a similar period.

Policies:

- a. Plan for tree succession by allowing for new plantings.



Walnut Grove, 2020



4.4.12 Widgeon Park

Description:

Widgeon Park, Recreation Reserve, Informal Recreation

Approximately 20.33 ha.

Widgeon Park is a large undulating undeveloped open space reserve on a river terrace. As such, it is flood prone and has a natural, riparian, and somewhat wild character near the river.

It is a community recreation reserve for the adjoining community, providing a connection between Lake Hayes Estate, recreation trails and the Kawarau River.

It is valued for its informal, passive open space and natural character, and for enabling access to the river.

Currently, approx. 9.89 ha is leased for grazing.

There is potential to support ecological systems, including sustainable water quality processes and endemic species habitat while providing additional informal recreation activities and facilities that enhance the character of the reserve and experience.

Widgeon Park is subject to additional specific objectives:

Objectives:

- a. To maintain recreation and open space potential.
- b. To recognise the reserve is subject to floodwater and a high water table, and therefore to develop appropriately.
- c. To develop a plan for improvements

Policies:

- a. Complete a development plan that considers access, trails, new recreation opportunities and the natural form and character of the land.
- b. Review grazing lease at expiration to consider recreation opportunities and ensure trail connection over the reserve between Bridesdale and Lake Hayes Estate.
- c. Consider new permits and licences where they do not conflict with existing uses and are consistent with the character of the site.
- d. Maintain existing mature planting where it provides public benefit such as wind screening and shade.
- e. Plant and revegetate to provide for ecological enhancement and sequestration.
- f. Retain the largely passive nature of the reserve.
- g. Support the development of parking areas that are appropriate for the recreation use of the reserve where they do not conflict with existing uses.
- h. Allow for small-scale structures associated with recreation activities on the reserve where they provide public benefit.
- i. Allow for natural water processes, including establishment of wetlands and flood events.



4.4.13 Bridesdale Farm Wetlands Lake Hayes Creek

Description:

Bridesdale Farm Wetlands & Lake Hayes Creek

Approximately 3.0 ha.

This esplanade reserve and park borders the Lake Hayes Creek which outlets from Lake Hayes to the Kawarau River.

There is an existing trail along the creek which connects the Bridesdale residential area to other trails and the Kawarau River.

The garden allotments and the farmland extending to the river are privately owned.

Fish and birds can be viewed in, and surrounding, the creek.

There is potential to enhance riparian planting in this reserve to support endemic wildlife habitat and sustainable water quality processes.

There is the opportunity to name this reserve in accordance with the QLDC Reserve Naming Policy.

Policies:

- a. Undertake succession planting to replace willows with native riparian vegetation.

Map of Bridesdale Farm Wetlands and Lake Hayes Creek, Bridesdale



Bridesdale Farm Wetlands, 2019



4.4.14 Bridesdale Farm Park – unnamed

Description:

Bridesdale Farm – unnamed
(adjacent to Red Cottage)

Approximately 2353m² (0.24 ha).

A local park reserve that provides play equipment, park furniture and informal recreation.

There is the opportunity to name this reserve in accordance with the QLDC Reserve Naming Policy.



4.4.15
Bridesdale Farm Pocket Park – unnamed

Description:

Bridesdale Farm – unnamed
(opposite the Red Cottage)

Approximately 464m².

Currently unnamed small pocket park in Bridesdale.

Opportunity to provide small-scale amenity facilities such as planting and park furniture.

Map of Bridesdale Farm Pocket Park - unnamed, Bridesdale



Bridesdale Pocket Farm, 2021



I 5. APPENDIX ONE

Map of LHESCB reserves



Survey Response							
First name:	Last name:	Organisation:	You have the right to be heard in person before the Council in support of your submission. Do you wish to speak at a hearing?	I understand that all submissions will be treated as public information.	Regarding the draft Reserve Management Plan for Lake Hayes Estate, Shotover Country and Bridesdale:	Please explain your stance on the draft Reserve Management Plan for Lake Hayes Estate, Shotover Country and Bridesdale:	Please provide your comment here:
Jeremy	Payze	Need to add an objective to eradicate or at least control invasive species such as rabbits which are destroying the vast majority of the reserves in this area. Likewise regarding Noxious Weed control	No	I understand	I support this	Overall great document to see. Need to have clear objectives about Noxious Weed and rabbit control (which are out of control at present). At 4.4.14 & 4.4.15 (be good to have some more trees here and community fruit trees would be even better. At 4.4.13 The staked trees have largely been left to die. Would be good to add a specific policy about reinstating/protecting these too and improving around this area with a diverse range of planting to replace noxious weeds.	Would be good to reinstate the grass in 4.4.13 as this will be great place for community events and more than just a space for cars to park. The low mow zone here is a bit of a fail (a hive for noxious weeds) so suggest this is mowed which will create a better space for sports and community events
Gabby & Simon	Lake		No	I understand	I support this	The Walnut Grove reserve area is popular with families, dog walkers and of course walnut gatherers! At one point it became quite dangerous as young motor scooter riders regularly used it as a circuit and following a request a no motorbikes sign was eventually put up. Vehicles are still occasionally being driven on the reserve and in the interests of safety (and tree health?) it might be worth considering fencing the area off completely to vehicles. Further consideration could be given to a car parking time limit at the reserve entrance as there have been cases of vehicles and caravans parked in the spaces for weeks at a time.	
Sarah	Fredric		No	I understand	I am neutral to this	It all seems reasonable. Though I would like a priority placed on Playground Equipment for Merton Park please.	Merton Park is an ideal place for a Playground - especially as there is no Playground equipment on the lower level of Shotover Country and a huge number of houses in the immediate vicinity (and Prams are heavy to push up that hill to visit the small playgrounds on the top level). It would be lovely for the whanau who live down the bottom to be able to have somewhere close by for their tamariki to play.
Grace	Lindsay		No	I understand	I support this	The low mow trial for common lane was great, think it encouraged more natural looking spaces and bird life. Needs to be more of a community hub/feel in Shotover Country with picnic tables, interactive and multi use outside spaces, pump track etc. Headington Hill track needs to be maintained more make it easier for commuters.	
Lo	M		No	I understand	I support this		4.4.5 Merton Park Play equipment is desperately needed and would be much welcomed in this area! 4.4.9 Support ecological values and habitats - sounds great! But nowhere on the plan is there any mention whatsoever of provision of bins for dog waste. The area pictured in 4.4.9 is absolutely CHRONIC for abandoned dog turds. There needs to be more education and possibly fines around picking up dog poo and in turn a place to leave it. I firmly believe people are lazy at picking up after their dogs because they don't want to carry a stinky bag around all walk (or they pick it up and chuck the bags further into the reserve!) this certainly ruins the enjoyment of the space for kids out on the track coming home every day with mucky feet, and can't imagine it assists with the policy around "water quality"
Sierra	Alef-Defoe	Southern District Health Board	No	I understand	I am neutral to this	Public Health South supports green spaces that can connect communities, provide space for recreation, and promote environmental conservation. Social connectedness, physical activity, and a healthy environment are key elements of a healthy lifestyle. Accessibility for all community members (4.3.3) is also a key priority.	Public Health South recommends a smokefree policy in reserves to promote a healthy environment for community members to enjoy, as well as reducing litter and improving air quality.
Maree	Wheeler	Lake Hayes Estate and Shotover Country Community Association	Yes	I understand	I support this	We have emailed our feedback to Christine Skipworth - please let me know if you have any further questions on this.	
Kerryn	Boniface		Yes	I understand	I support this	We live in a beautiful part of Queenstown, and our parks and reserves are an important aspect of that - especially for wellbeing, health, connection to nature and recreation too.	I would like to see a greater focus in the management of the reserves in Bridesdale Farm, including a basketball hoop that can provide recreation opportunities for locals (perhaps near the Bridesdale Farm wetlands area). I would love to see public toilets and a picnic area considered closer to the trail at the south end of Bridesdale Farm so that people can enjoy somewhere to eat, relax and drink close to the river. Signage of Bridesdale Farm would also be beneficial for local connection and pride for residents. What about a sign to recognise Bridesdale Farm in its own right (it has none), and could the Council step in to provide some much-needed assistance in relation to the Bridesdale Farm Gardens (even though these are privately held, some negative outcomes have resulted due to the SHA developer not fulfilling their contractual obligations). It is impossible to get value from these without water provision to all 134 garden allotments. I'd like Council to consider some positive, community-focused action here. Clarity, education and upkeep of the trails would also be useful - what is a Reserve and what is not? Who manages which reserve/greenspace and how does verge policy get properly enforced? Residents or property owners not doing the latter does bring down the whole aesthetic and enjoyment of our places/surrounds. Finally, would like to see better use of Nerin Square, or some use of it - it could provide a small recreational area and/or some type of visually pleasing planting/garden area, for instance. - Submission as a private resident/individual of Queenstown Lakes District

Stuart	Victor		No	I understand	I support this	<p>Walnut Grove I support: a. To adequately maintain the protected trees to a level required to support a long and healthy life. b. To allow for succession planting in order to ensure there is an emerging tree canopy as the established Walnut trees may reach the end of their viable life at a similar period. Policies: a. Plan for tree succession by allowing for new plantings.</p> <p>Widgeon Yes, please keep this as a nature reserve and keep it as a relaxing place to walk - away from bikes and to encourage the return of bird life. Please do not add structures, a carpark or carve it up with more bike tracks/pump tracks - this will disturb vegetation and bird life. Encourage people to walk there and not drive to it.</p> <p>Bridesdale Reserves I agree with more tree planting to improve the area. No structures, no more car parks. Encourage people to walk there and not drive to it.</p>	<p>Walnut Grove I support: a. To adequately maintain the protected trees to a level required to support a long and healthy life. b. To allow for succession planting in order to ensure there is an emerging tree canopy as the established Walnut trees may reach the end of their viable life at a similar period. Policies: a. Plan for tree succession by allowing for new plantings.</p> <p>Widgeon Yes, please keep this as a nature reserve and keep it as a relaxing place to walk - away from bikes and to encourage the return of bird life. Please do not add structures, a carpark or carve it up with more bike tracks/pump tracks - this will disturb vegetation and bird life. Encourage people to walk there and not drive to it.</p> <p>Bridesdale Reserves I agree with more tree planting to improve the area. No structures, no more car parks. Encourage people to walk there and not drive to it.</p>
Shaun	Kelly	Kawarau Jet Services Holdings Limited	Yes	I understand	I am neutral to this	<p>KJet supports QLDC's vision to provide a range of reserves that generate community connection and enable access to open space, recreation, the natural environment and provide for wellbeing.</p> <p>In 2020 KJet obtained resource consent (RM181023) from QLDC to establish and operate a scheduled public ferry service on Lake Wakatipu and the Kawarau River. A jetty and pontoon adjacent to Bridesdale Farm was also consented for use by the ferry vessels for loading and unloading passengers</p> <p>The public ferry service, and more specifically the Bridesdale stop, will provide an alternative transport route and mode shift option for commuters and thus assist the QLDC in addressing the traffic congestion issues it is facing on the Ladies Mile highway. This service will provide significant community benefit and public good. The consented ferry stop however, relies on parking and access through the area identified in the draft Reserve Management Plan (RMP) as the Bridesdale Farm Wetlands Lake Hayes Creek. We note that the only policy included in the RMP specifically relating to this area refers to succession planting and request that there be additional policies added to the RMP to ensure access to the consented jetty is recognised and provided for.</p> <p>While KJet is supportive of the provisions included in the draft RMP, we note that our ferry stop in Bridesdale will be impacted by these provisions and thus would appreciate the acknowledgement of our consent within the RMP. The provisions under 4.3.3 relate to access for all reserves listed in the draft RMP. We request that these policies are updated to reflect and acknowledge the consent obtained by KJet and to include provisions for parking and access to the Bridesdale Jetty stop.</p> <p>Condition 31c of our consent requires that if deemed necessary by the Council's Parks and Reserves Department or Council's Resource Management Engineering Department, upgrading of the Hayes Creek Road/Track vehicle access, to a standard that is suitable for a flood zone and the expected level of traffic, including passing provisions, as agreed with Council's Parks and Reserves Department and Council's Resource Management Engineering Department. We request that a provision enabling the upgrade of the Hayes Creek Road/Track vehicle access be included in the RMP to enable the upgrade to be completed should it be deemed necessary when we give effect to our consent.</p>	
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Anna	Browne	Shotover Primary School	No	I understand	I support this	<p>Agree these spaces need to be kept and to a standard that encourages people to use them and for them to be developed, ie field spaces to ensure they are utilised properly. Specifically Lower Shotover Sports fields. We use in a school capacity and personally in recreation but they need to have running water, toilet facilities and parking all upgraded. Our school is growing and we use the grounds as an extension to the school but every time we use them we have to take water and arrange portaloos to be delivered. When we have major school events there we can have more than half the school there, 280 children or cross country we have approx 3/4 of the students there (375). On hot days we can't access fresh running water which was evident at a school athletics and had to get water containers filled and transported to the field. Last event council delivered 1 portaloos due to the dual loos being out of action and 1 loo was not enough! A club rooms with storage would make it a community facility that people could congregate at and support. To bring families to support sport we need parking, this has become evident at school events the shortage of parking on the local streets. We can't currently have full athletics event, we need long jump pits with covers to enable this to happen. Creates logistical challenges when long jump is one of the key events in the sports day. Athletes qualify for Zone then Central Otago sports days. Green space is a premium and a highlight of the good old kiwi upbringing we all remember and want to pass on to our own children. Keep it green and community driven.</p>	

Shaun	Kelly	Kawarau Jet Services Holdings Limited	Yes	I understand	I am neutral to this	<p>Please note that this is an updated version of the submission made on 28 May 2020 -</p> <p>KJet supports QLDC's vision to provide a range of reserves that generate community connection and enable access to open space, recreation, the natural environment and provide for wellbeing. In 2020 KJet obtained resource consent (RM181023) from QLDC to establish and operate a scheduled public ferry service on Lake Wakatipu and the Kawarau River. A jetty and pontoon adjacent to Bridesdale Farm was also consented for use by the ferry vessels for loading and unloading passengers. The public ferry service, and more specifically the Bridesdale stop, will provide an alternative transport route and mode shift option for commuters and thus assist the QLDC in addressing the traffic congestion issues it is facing on the Ladies Mile highway. At the time that the Remarkables Park (RP) jetty is constructed, KJet plan to run an express ferry for Wakatipu High School students from Bridesdale to RP during morning peak hours, which will further assist in decreasing congestion along the Ladies Mile highway. The ferry service will provide significant community benefit and public good.</p> <p>The consented ferry stop however, relies on parking and access through the area identified in the draft Reserve Management Plan (RMP) as the Bridesdale Farm Wetlands Lake Hayes Creek. We note that the only policy included in the RMP specifically relating to this area refers to succession planting and request that there be additional policies added to the RMP to ensure access to the consented jetty is recognised and provided for. While KJet is supportive of the provisions included in the draft RMP, we note that our ferry stop in Bridesdale will be impacted by these provisions and thus would appreciate the acknowledgement of our consent within the RMP. The provisions under 4.3.3 relate to access for all reserves listed in the draft RMP. We request that these policies are updated to reflect and acknowledge the consent obtained by KJet and to include provisions for parking and access to the Bridesdale Jetty stop. Condition 31c of our consent requires that if deemed necessary by the Council's Parks and Reserves Department or Council's Resource Management Engineering Department, upgrading of the Hayes Creek Road/Track vehicle access, to a standard that is suitable for a flood zone and the expected level of traffic, including passing provisions, as agreed with Council's Parks and Reserves Department and Council's Resource Management Engineering Department. We request that a provision enabling the upgrade of the Hayes Creek Road/Track vehicle access be included in the RMP to enable the upgrade to be completed should it be deemed necessary when we give effect to our consent. The Bridesdale ferry stop will rely on the use of reserve parking for commuters. The conditions of consent set out clear monitoring requirements which will be adhered to. We request that the provisions relating to parking in the RMP are amended to provide for commuters making use of the ferry stop. The provisions under 4.3.6 address leases and licenses. We acknowledge that when at such a time that we give effect to our consent we will need to apply for the relevant leases and licenses for access and parking within the reserve area. We therefore request that provision 4.3.6a - "Leases and Licences - Consider new recreation opportunities, permits and licences where they do not conflict with existing uses and are consistent with the character of the reserves" is amended to provide for opportunities for our ferry and suggest the following wording "Leases and Licences - Consider new recreation and other opportunities, permits and licences where they do not conflict with existing uses and are consistent with the character of the reserves." We seek any additional and consequential amendments to the draft RMP that give effect to the matters raised above. Thank you for the opportunity to submit on the draft Reserve Management Plan, we look forward to working together further with QLDC to provide alternative transport options to the community.</p>
Russell	Mawhinney	Personal and as Board Member of Queenstown Cricket Club	Yes	I understand	I support this	<p>I wish to comment on the urgent need for a cricket pitch at Shotover Country. The Draft Plan at 4.4.8 states that a cricket pitch is a priority at Shotover Country Sports Ground. That is very encouraging.</p> <p>Participant numbers are continuing to grow at all levels of cricket in the district, and an artificial cricket pitch at Shotover Country will be a much needed addition. The Cricket Club had understood that one was to have been installed prior to last cricket season. That did not happen, and we respectfully ask that Council put a high priority on this so it can be installed before the coming cricket season. It will be ideal for junior cricket both in terms of location and safety.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>
Daniel	Gibbons	Queenstown Cricket Club	Yes	I understand	I support this	<p>We agree with the focus of the reserve areas, particularly the Shotover Country Sports Field and McBride Park to upgrade and develop as usable sports fields for the community. We support the use of these sites as multi use areas, which includes an artificial cricket pitch. We would recommend two cricket pitches at Shotover Country (one for senior/junior and one just for junior cricket) and one at McBride Park (for junior cricket). The growth in the community would justify this investment.</p>

From: [Let's Talk](#)
To: [Christine Skipworth](#)
Subject: FW: Draft RMP LHESCB submission
Date: Monday, 31 May 2021 4:08:20 PM

Another submission

From: Sarah Fredric [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2021 9:03 PM
To: Let's Talk <letstalk@qldc.govt.nz>
Subject: Draft RMP LHESCB

To whom it may concern,

I would love to see more Playgrounds in Shotover Country - specifically down the lower level where there are currently no playgrounds at all.

Merton Park (bordered by Toni's Terrace, Foxwell Way and Butlers Lane) would be an ideal area for a Playground - plenty of sun, space, and parking available.

It would be great if there was Playground equipment available for children aged up to 8 years - similar to McBride Park in LHE.

Thanks
Sarah



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- **4.4.4 McBride Park** We are excited to see McBride Park being used as a sports field for rippa rugby this season and we look forward to seeing the upgrades and maintenance put into place as in policy (a). McBride Park is also used for a Touch Rugby Tournament over the Summer and casually used for social football, goal kicking, kite flying, I have even seen softball played so it is very much an asset to our community and we would like to continue to see improvements made to it. Further suggestions have been exercise/fitness equipment and/or much more challenging activities for our tweens and early teens, also inclusive playground equipment added such as a wheelchair swing. We also agree with policy (b) and would like to see additional hardcourt surfaces added. We also would like to see hedging or planting around the existing court, especially on the road side to protect from the elements such as wind and make this more usable more often.
- **4.4.5 Merton Park** - we agree with policy (a) and would like to see playground equipment installed somewhere in SC. The issue of a playground is raised continually by residents who feel slightly cheated that it was promised by developers and plans even circulated at one point but never eventuated unlike Hanley Farm where the playground came first! So a playground catering for all ages is now becoming essential.
- **4.4.6 Nerin Square** - We are not sure that at present Nerin Square represents the “gateway’ to the community as presented in the plan but we would like to see this space utilised more often. The recent “Classic Cars” event is an example of how this space could be used and it was a well supported local event. We would like to see more of this but in its current format events are limited and it is not ideal for families with younger children to use this space from a road safety perspective. Long term we would like to see a possible reserve swap with road reserve to realign the roading with a bus hub running through the middle and green space directly off the commercial area to allow more community events to take place. Short term, park furniture, planting such as the daffodils initiative and QLDC permission to hold events in this space would allow this space to be utilised more often by more people.



- **4.4.7 Richmond Park - Shotover Country**, we are excited to be getting close to having the funds to start the skate ramp to be located in this space, thanks for QLDC support on this.
- **4.4.8 Shotover Country Sports Grounds** - we fully agree with the policies (a-e) in place for this reserve. We would like to see this developed to a standard that can be used by the community. It is essential for Shotover Primary School to be able to use this as there is now limited green space available due to the ever expanding roll and the need to use grounds for classrooms. As it is quite a distance to walk down to these grounds from the school therefore toilets and storage onsite would make this ground much more usable. Policy (f) we would like to support a cricket pitch but would like further investigation into whether cricket pitches would affect the multi purpose use of this field as we would like to ensure it caters for a wide range of activities. If it is possible to install a pitch while still allowing for multi purpose we would fully support this. If this is to be utilised by the wider community then further parking would need to be considered.
- **4.4.9 Shotover Wetlands** - We fully support the objectives and policies around the Wetlands. The CA would like to acknowledge that Shotover Primary has taken on the role of kaitiaki and it is impressive to see the significant tree planting, development and improvements over the past few years. We are aware that this mainly led by volunteers and paid teacher time on this project is limited. General QLDC support and funds that would support the school to continue this wetlands project (boardwalks and signage) encourage community engagement and enhance the ecological values of the wetland would be supported.
- **4.4.11 Walnut Grove** is a great natural reserve area and we agree with policies to have a succession plan in place. This area may be underutilised as a reserve, it could have other attractions such as rope swings, exercise equipment, picnic tables in and amongst the existing trees.



- **4.4.12 Widgeon Place**, This is valued by the community for its natural, open spaces, and access to the river tracks. Therefore the CA would like to be consulted before any development is considered in this reserve. We agree with the outlined objectives (a to c) and all policies (a- i) but would especially expect full consultation if policy (g) “parking”, is ever to be considered and policy (h) “small scale structures”. We believe the CA firstly and then the wider community need to be involved in the process of objective (c) “development of a plan for improvements” and would like to see this take place in the foreseeable future. Some thoughts around improvements are picnic tables/spaces and the development of a more challenging bike skills track. Unfortunately the "Sweet and Curvy" small pump track needs continual maintenance due to the ground quality and rabbit invasion - unsure if this is the best place for this?
- **4.4.13 Bridesdale Farm Wetlands** - maintenance and improvements around these tracks including the one to the waterfall, would be appreciated as thus far seem to be overlooked.

Other Considerations:

- **Tweens/Early teens** - this is an age group overlooked as far as activities and resources in this area (including the wider Wakatipu) They need more challenging playground equipment, such as upper body strength equipment, climbing walls/nets, balance equipment, moving equipment (rolling tunnels/hamster wheels/cyclones) fitness circuits, rope swings, flying fox. Something to give this age group a sense of place in the community.
- **Arts/Culture/Heritage** - this is an area that could be further developed, we should be celebrating our local artists and history. We could have art/sculpture trails, information/history boards and acknowledge and celebrate our Māori culture/tikanga. These could be located in and around the underutilised reserves (Nerin Square/ Walnut Grove, Common Lane, Marsden Rd, Coventry Cres) Maybe this could be in conjunction with Three Lakes Cultural Trust?
- **Waterpark Play/ Splash Pads** - just for fun!

Summary of submissions on the Draft Reserve Management Plan for LHESCB – July 2021

Abbreviations:

- Draft Reserve Management Plan (DRMP)
- Reserve Management Plan (RMP)
- Recreation Reserve (reserve)
- 'Widgeon Park' has been amended to 'Widgeon Place reserve' as it has not yet been named

#	Submitter Name	Key Points	Officer Comment
1	Jeremy Payze	<p>Seeks an objective to eradicate and control invasive species such as rabbits and noxious weeds.</p> <p>Suggests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bridesdale unnamed Parks (4.4.14 & 4.4.15) would benefit from trees, particularly community fruit trees. • Bridesdale Farm Wetlands (4.4.13) requires a policy to plant and establish more trees and replace the ones that have not established, and include other diverse planting. 	<p>QLDC is required to manage pest flora and fauna within the rules of the ORC Regional Pest Management Plan. https://www.orc.govt.nz/media/10068/orc-regional-pest-management-plan-2019-29-final-corrected-21.pdf</p> <p>QLDC has a limited Rabbit control programme and cannot enforce control on private land. Some control was undertaken in 2020. Land management practices such as rabbit proof fencing is a control measure that can be used to protect defined areas.</p> <p>There are already LHESCB wide policies in 4.3.8 Trees, Landscaping and Ecology.</p>

2	Gabby & Simon Lake	<p>Acknowledges Walnut Grove is popular with families, dog walkers and walnut gatherers.</p> <p>Suggests fencing to deter vehicles accessing the reserve and creating a car parking time limit.</p>	<p>Fencing and parking time limits can be addressed through QLDC's operational programme.</p>
3	Sarah Fredric	<p>Suggests Merton Park play equipment is a high priority.</p>	<p>Current policy supports play equipment at Merton Park.</p> <p>Policy wording could be strengthened.</p> <p>From:</p> <p>4.4.5 a. Consider development of local park facilities including play equipment, park furniture and planting.</p> <p>To:</p> <p>a. <u>Develop</u> local park facilities including play equipment, park furniture and planting.</p>
4	Grace Lindsay	<p>Suggests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Common Lane low mow trial was successful by encouraging more natural looking spaces and bird life. • Shotover Country needs a community hub/feel, including picnic tables, interactive and multi-use outside spaces, pump track etc. • Headington Hill track needs to be maintained more make it easier for commuters 	<p>Maintenance of Headington Hill track and environmental maintenance initiatives, such as 'low mow' can be addressed through BAU operations.</p> <p>An objective could be added to Shotover Country Sports Field and Headley Drive Reserve to address the community social hub 'feel':</p>

			4.4.8 <u>d. To enhance community connection through multi-use (indoor and outdoor) recreation spaces and activities.</u>
5	Lo M	<p>Suggests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Merton Park (4.4.5) Play equipment is desperately needed. • Shotover Country Wetlands (4.4.9) requires dog bins to manage waste, including additional enforcement and education that addresses the link between dog waste and “water quality”. 	<p>Current policy supports play equipment at Merton Park.</p> <p>Policy wording could be strengthened from:</p> <p>4.4.5 a. Consider development of local park facilities including play equipment, park furniture and planting.</p> <p>To:</p> <p>a. <u>Develop</u> local park facilities including play equipment, park furniture and planting.</p>
6	Sierra Alef-Defoe on behalf of Southern District Health Board (SDHB)	<p>Supports green spaces facilitating community connection, recreation and environmental health.</p> <p>Suggests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accessibility policies (4.3.3) are a key priority. • A Smokefree policy is recommended. 	<p>A new policy could be created to address smoking:</p> <p><u>4.3.11 Smoke Free</u> a. <u>Ensure that LHESCB reserves are smoke free to promote health for all users (and minimise fire risk).</u></p> <p>An existing policy could be amended to be more clear about provision for accessibility:</p>

			<p>4.3.3 Access</p> <p>b. <u>Ensure accessibility is aligned with the QLDC Disability Policy when facilities are upgraded and new facilities are provided.</u></p> <p>Provide playgrounds, paths or fitness equipment that will give consideration to providing opportunities for people with limited mobility.</p>
7	<p>Maree Wheeler on behalf of Lake Hayes Estate and Shotover Country Community Association (LHESCCA)</p> <p>Seeks to be heard</p>	<p>Supports many of the objectives and policies.</p> <p>Suggests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • McBride Park (4.4.4) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Additional uses listed including Touch Rugby Tournament, social football, goal kicking practice, kite flying and softball. - Requires policies addressing upgrades and maintenance. - Requires exercise/fitness equipment, challenging activities for tweens, inclusive playground equipment, additional hardcourt services and planting/hedging the existing hard court • Merton Park (4.4.5) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Requires playground equipment • Nerin Square (4.4.6) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Requires park furniture, planting and events activation in the short term - Requires consideration of land-swap with road to address safety and usability long term • Richmond Park (4.4.7) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Will benefit from the addition of the skate ramp • Shotover Country Sports Field (4.4.8) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Requires toilets and storage and parking - Needs to ensure it caters for multiple uses and therefore requires depth of consultation regarding cricket pitch requests. • Shotover Wetlands (4.4.9) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Requires greater levels of support and funding 	<p>Description wording could be updated to include Mc Bride Park uses.</p> <p>4.4.4</p> <p><u>Uses include Touch Rugby Tournament, social football, goal-kicking practice, kite flying and softball.</u></p> <p>Maintenance and improvement and additional hardcourts are addressed in the policies.</p> <p>Merton Park (4.4.5) policy can be addressed as above.</p> <p>Nerin Square (4.4.6) existing policy addresses the suggested improvements.</p> <p>Nerin Square land swap with road is outside the scope of the RMP Richmond Park (4.4.7) existing policy supports development of a skate ramp</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walnut Grove (4.4.11) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Would benefit from exercise equipment, rope swings and picnic tables. • Widgeon Place reserve (4.4.12) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Would benefit from pest control, a development plan, picnic tables, more challenging bike skills track and improved track maintenance. - Requires sensitive consultation process regarding any additional parking and structures • Bridesdale Farm Wetlands (4.4.13) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Would benefit from maintenance and improvements to the trails • General comments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tweens/Early teens require equipment that provides for upper body strength, balance and movement, such as climbing walls and nets, hamster wheels, rolling tunnels, rope swing, and flying fox. - Arts, Culture and Heritage require further development / celebration 	<p>Shotover Country Sports Field (4.4.8) existing policies support toilets, recreation storage and parking. A cricket pitch is also provided for.</p> <p>An objective could be added to support the multi-use potential of this reserve, such as:</p> <p><u>d. To enhance the multiple recreation (and community connection) uses of the reserve.</u></p> <p>Shotover Wetlands (4.4.9) existing policies support ecological management to bolster the ecological and water quality values and provide for interpretive signage.</p> <p>Walnut Grove (4.4.11) could have an additional policy allowing for some park amenities, such as picnic tables:</p> <p><u>b. Consider development of local park facilities including recreation equipment and park furniture.</u></p> <p>Widgeon Place reserve (4.4.12) existing objective and policy addresses the need for a development plan.</p> <p>Regarding general comments, activities for youth, and all ages, are addressed in the objective 4.2.1. And arts, culture and heritage are addressed through policy 4.3.1 permitting use of reserves for cultural activities.</p>
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8	<p>Kerryn Boniface</p> <p>Seeks to be heard</p>	<p>Suggests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bridesdale Farm requires a basketball hoop, public toilets, picnic area and wayfinding and interpretive signage. • Bridesdale Farm Harvest Gardens (even though privately held), require water provision and enforcement of developer conditions. • Trails require clarity on ownership and maintenance. • Verge Policy requires enforcement. • Nerin Square could be better used, to provide recreation and visual amenity. 	<p>Bridesdale water provision, trail maintenance and verge policy enforcement can be addressed through BAU operations.</p> <p>Bridesdale Farm Park (4.4.14) could have a new policy allowing for public amenities, such as:</p> <p><u>a. Consider development of local park facilities including recreation equipment, park furniture and toilets.</u></p> <p>Bridesdale Pocket Park (4.4.15) could have a new policy allowing for public amenities, such as:</p> <p><u>a. Consider development of local park facilities including recreation equipment, park furniture and planting.</u></p> <p>Nerin Square (4.4.6) existing policy addresses the suggested improvements.</p>
9	<p>Stuart Victor</p>	<p>Supports Walnut Grove objectives and policies.</p> <p>Suggests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Widgeon Place reserve is indeed best kept as a nature reserve supporting birdlife and serving as a relaxing place to walk. • Widgeon Place reserve would be diminished by the addition of bikes, a pump track, structures and car parking. It is seen as a destination to walk to, rather than drive. • Bridesdale Reserves would be improved by more tree planting and no additional structures or car parks. 	<p>Widgeon Place reserve existing policies address natural reserve qualities by emphasizing and allowing for the continuation of its passive nature, allowing for natural water process and flood events and ecological enhancement.</p> <p>Bridesdale Farm Park and Pocket Park could each have a policy addressing planting, such as:</p>

			a. <u>Plant to provide for ecological enhancement, amenity and climate change resilience.</u>
10	<p>Shaun Kelly on behalf of Kawarau Jet Services Holdings Limited (KJet)</p> <p>Seeks to be heard</p>	<p>Supports the vision.</p> <p>Suggests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bridesdale Farm Wetlands Lake Hayes Creek has additional Parking and Access policies to enable the operation of a public ferry stop on the Kawarau River (servicing upstream). • The consented KJet Bridesdale public ferry stop is acknowledged in the RMP. • A policy is created to allow for upgrading the road access to the Bridesdale ferry stop as required within the KJet ferry stop consent that meets traffic and flood requirements. And that the 'ferry stop will rely on the use of reserve parking for commuters'. • Accessibility Policies (4.3.3) are updated to acknowledge the consent obtained by KJet and include provisions for parking and access to the Bridesdale public ferry stop. • Leases and licenses (4.3.6) is amended to provide for KJet to apply for a license: <p>4.3.6a "Leases and Licences - Consider new recreation opportunities, permits and licences where they do not conflict with existing uses and are consistent with the character of the reserves"</p> <p>is amended to the following to allow for the public ferry stop:</p> <p>"Leases and Licences - Consider new recreation <u>and other</u> opportunities, permits and licences where they do not conflict with existing uses and are consistent with the character of the reserves."</p> <p>Further suggests:</p>	<p>The ferry stop is not precluded by the existing policies.</p> <p>A specific parking policy for ferry stop parking in the reserve may result in the recreation reserve's use as a de facto park and ride. This area is currently functioning as a wetland in a flood prone area.</p> <p>The Widgeon Place reserve policy 4.4.12.a could be amended to include access to adjacent reserve land and trails.</p> <p>4.4.12 Development Plan</p> <p>a. Complete a development plan that considers access, trails, new recreation opportunities and the natural form and character of the land, <u>including adjacent reserve land and trails</u>. Leases and Licences requested policy amendment can be considered.</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A public ferry from Bridesdale Farm, including an express ferry for Wakatipu High School students, would provide an alternative transport route and propel commuter mode shift away from private road vehicles, easing the traffic congestion Ladies Mile. • “The conditions of consent set out clear <i>monitoring?</i> requirements which will be adhered to. We request that the provisions relating to parking in the RMP are amended to provide for commuters making use of the ferry stop”. 	
11	<p>Russell Mawhinney Personal and as Board Member of Queenstown Cricket Club (QCC)</p> <p>Seeks to be heard</p>	<p>Suggests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shotover Country urgently needs a cricket pitch and that an artificial cricket pitch should be installed as a high priority prior to next cricket season and this will support the growing number of participants and be ideal for junior cricket. 	<p>Shotover Country Sports Field existing policy 4.4.8.f provides for a cricket pitch.</p>

12	<p>Daniel Gibbons on behalf of Queenstown Cricket Club (QCC)</p> <p>Seeks to be heard</p>	<p>Supports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each reserve area's objective and policy focus • Shotover Country Sports Field and McBride Park being upgraded and developed as community sports fields. • Shotover Country Sports Field and McBride Park's multi-use nature. <p>Suggests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing artificial cricket pitches. - Two at Shotover Country, one for senior/junior, one for junior - One at McBride Park for junior 	<p>Shotover Country Sports Field existing policy 4.4.8.f provides for a cricket pitch.</p>
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13	Sarah Fredric	<p>Suggests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shotover Country requires playgrounds as there are currently none. Particularly desirable on the lower terrace. • Merton Park is an ideal location for a playground due to availability of sun, space, and parking. • Playground equipment should serve children aged up to 8 years. 	<p>Merton Park policy wording could be strengthened from:</p> <p>4.4.5 a. Consider development of local park facilities including play equipment, park furniture and planting.</p> <p>To:</p> <p>a. <u>Develop</u> local park facilities including play equipment, park furniture and planting.</p>
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