

QLDC Council**3 June 2015****Report for Agenda Item: 10****Mayor's report****Purpose**

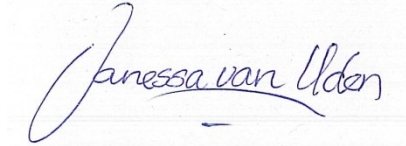
To summarise the Mayor's activities since the date of the last report and to raise other items of democratic and general interest, including a summary of actions taken in response to the decisions made at previous Council meetings.

Recommendation

That Council:

1. a. **Note** the report and that Queenstown Winter Festival have made applications for licences to occupy three recreation reserves:
 - i. Marine Parade (legally described as Sec 6 Blk LI Town of Queenstown); and
 - ii. Earnslaw Park (legally described as Sec 6-18 and 27 Blk XV Town of Queenstown; and
 - iii. The Village Green (legally described as Lot 1 DP 20875).
 - b. **Agree** to exercise the Minister's prior consent under section 54(1)(d) of the Reserves Act 1977 (under delegation from the Minister of Conservation) in respect to all of the above applications.
 - c. **Delegate** to the Property Subcommittee the power to hear submissions and determine any of the above applications if submissions are received;
 - d. **Delegate** to the General Manager Infrastructure the authority to determine any of the above applications if no submissions are received;
2. **Appoint** Councillor Scott Stevens as a member of:
 - a. Elected Member Conduct Committee
 - b. Dog Control Committee
 - c. QLDC/CODC Coronet Forest Joint Committee
 - d. Queenstown Community Housing Trust Liaison Group
 3. **Appoint** Councillor Scott Stevens as the Council's representative on:
 - a. Arrowtown Heritage Trust
 - b. Arrowtown Heritage Advisory Panel
 - c. Arrowtown Promotion and Business Association
 - d. Arrowtown Village Association

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Mayor's Activities

The following is a summary of the principal functions and meetings attended by the Mayor over the period 1 May – 2 June 2015:

- Meeting with Hon Paula Bennett (Associate Minister of Finance, Minister of Local Government, Minister of Society Housing, Minister of State services, Associated Minister of Tourism)
- Meeting with senior management from NZ Local Government Funding Agency Ltd
- Attendance at Wakatipu Clay Target Club meeting
- Queenstown Airport strategy discussions
- Shaping our Future – Visitor and Tourism Taskforce Report and Recommendations meeting.
- Meeting with representatives of Otago Runanga
- Winter Festival meeting
- Speech at Queenstown Scouts Group
- Citizenship Ceremony

Appointment of Councillor Scott Stevens to Council roles

This meeting provides the first formal opportunity to welcome Councillor Stevens as the Arrowtown Ward Councillor. As the newly elected Arrowtown representative the Council needs to resolve to appoint Councillor Stevens to various posts traditionally held by the Arrowtown Ward Councillor and those committees to which Councillor Perkins had been appointed. These are as follows:

- Queenstown Community Housing Trust Liaison Group (has a membership of three including currently Councillors Forbes and Lawton)
- Arrowtown Heritage Trust
- Arrowtown Heritage Advisory Panel
- Arrowtown Promotion and Business Association
- Arrowtown Village Association

In addition, Councillor Stevens will become a member of the Committees which contain the full Council, namely the Elected Member Conduct Committee and the Dog Control Committee. Councillor Perkins was also appointed to the QLDC/CODC Coronet Forest Joint Committee alongside Councillor Ferguson and a resolution appointing Councillor Stevens is therefore required.

These various appointments are addressed in the recommendations to this report.

Applications to use Council reserves for American Express Queenstown Winter Festival activities

The Queenstown Winter Festival has applied for various licences to occupy to use the following Council reserves during the 2015 Queenstown Winter Festival:

- The Village Green for a temporary ice rink (11 June – 3 July including pack-in and site clean-up days)
- Marine Parade Reserve for a temporary pop-up bar (19-29 June)
- Earnslaw Park for festival hub including main stage area (17 June – 1 July including pack-in and site clean-up days)

Councillors will observe that the proposed uses are in line with previous years.

A requirement of the Reserves Act is that the proposal must be publicly notified and provision made for submitters to be heard. In order to expedite the process I am recommending that the Council delegate to the Property Subcommittee the function of hearing any submissions and making a final decision on the applications and to the General Manager Infrastructure if no submissions are received.

Portfolio Leader reports

Operations

- The Arrowtown Community Building planned for Jack Reid Park will be subject to a hearing to consider a designation change later this month. Plans and funding are being finalised.
- Work on improvements to the north end of St Omer Park is underway.
- Shotover Primary Sports Hall is in the final stages of negotiation with the Ministry of Education. Funding has been approved and the operating structure is now being settled.
- Stage One of the Frankton Golf Course redevelopment has been completed with the putting/practice green now in use and the netting on the driving range replaced. Junior membership has increased significantly.
- The pontoons proposed for use in the construction of a jetty at Roys Bay have had an internal examination and found to be in good condition.

Planning and Development

- Gorge Road Natural Hazards overlay – drop-in session aired residents' and owners' concerns as well as discussion on ways forward.
- Work has been undertaken on natural hazards chapter in general.
- The Subdivision Chapter has been to a workshop and subject to editing and further discussion for this meeting's agenda.
- There is still a lot of concern and communication about the SHA process and outcomes. It is an item in this meeting's agenda.
- More work has been undertaken on the district plan review programme, trying to match workload with available resources (staff, consultant and councillor) and the necessity to notify stage one in time for adoption before the end of this triennium
- Tangata whenua chapter delayed, awaiting Iwi input and Council-Iwi hui.

Infrastructure

Capital Projects update as follows:

1. EAR/Glenda Drive, Road 2 (link between Glenda Drive and roundabout in EAR): due for completion by the end of May 2015 (weather depending).
2. Roundabout State Highway and 350m of EAR: due completion by November 2015. Change in sequence: local roads and services to be complete before roundabout and EAR but does not affect overall programme.
3. Hawea Water supply, new bore and UV treatment: Construction started with excavation for UV treatment building and pipe installation. Expected completion by September 2015.
4. Edgewater gravity sewer, Stage 1 (Wanaka Station Park to Mt Aspiring Road): contract awarded to Maungatua Contracting Ltd. Letter drop to residents done, work will commence imminently and to be completed by end of July 2015. Future sections to be staged over the following years.
5. Beacon Point Road/Mt Aspiring Road: design complete and tender documents are being reviewed. To be procured this year and carry forward construction into 15/16, pending NZTA approval.
6. Ardmore Street build-out: two tenders received (Benchmark and Fulton Hogan) and are currently being assessed with award planned by 22 May 2015.
7. Brownston Street parking is out to tender and tenders will close first week in June 2015.
8. Plantation Road reservoir pipe work upgrade is underway and will be finished mid-June 2015.
9. Ardmore Street water and wastewater main upgrade to be started end of May and finished by end of June 2015.
10. Marine Parade wastewater pump station, pump overhaul and pump upgrades work is underway and to be finished by end of June 2015.
11. District wide resealing contract, physical work is complete.

Other projects:

1. Queenstown Town Centre Transport Strategy: Consultation is underway; 20 May 2015 is the deadline for feedback.
2. Wanaka Transport Strategy: Community Board workshops were held in early May. Technical work is currently underway and aiming for an informal report back to the June Community Board workshop.
3. Glenorchy wastewater: There is on-going consultation with the community and interested parties with a report due to go to Council in June 2015.
4. Cardrona wastewater: There is on-going consultation with main stakeholders to define and agree the preferred option with report to go to Council in June 2015.
5. Trade Waste Bylaw: Hearing was held in April. Deliberations occurred on 20 May 2015 with report back to Council in July 2015.

Recent Meetings

Resource Consent Commissioner Appointment Committee draft minutes (23 April 2015)

Commissioner Appointments:

Pounamu Holdings 2014 Ltd (RM150093)

G Murray (RM150153)

Utilisation of commissioners for non-notified decisions for a fixed period

Property Subcommittee draft minutes (14 May 2015)

Queenstown Winter Festival – new licences to occupy

Attachments

- A Resource Consent Commissioner Appointment Committee minutes (23 April 2015)
- B Property Subcommittee minutes (14 May 2015)
- C Action list from previous Council meetings