

QLDC Council

30 July 2015

Report for Agenda Item: 10

Mayor's report

Purpose

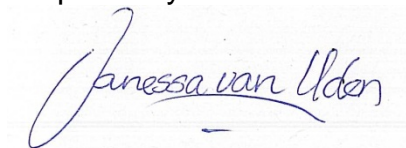
To summarise the Mayor's activities since the date of the last report and to raise other items of democratic and general interest, including a summary of actions taken in response to the decisions made at previous Council meetings.

Recommendation

That Council:

1. **Note** the report.

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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 1-30 July 2015:

- Interview on More FM
- NZTA Transport Strategy Workshop
- Meeting with Southern DHB Commissioner, Deputy Commissioners and Chief Executive
- Meeting with Co-ordinator of Gay Ski Week
- Shaping Our Future – Destination Management Forum
- Presentation of employer acknowledgements, Queenstown Fire Brigade
- Lagarosiphon management meeting with representatives from Otago Regional Council and LINZ
- Opening of new Wakatipu Dental Clinic
- Visiting Drivers Governance Group meeting
- Meeting with NZ Police Commissioner
- Citizenship Ceremony

- Hui
- DQ Board meeting
- Launch of Downtown Queenstown

Portfolio Leader reports

Operations (From Deputy Portfolio Leader, Councillor Ferguson)

- Shotover Country School Hall: This has been a bit slower getting started than planned with some unanticipated ground improvements required and freezing temperatures. A revised programme will be provided once staff have a better understanding about the period of delay.
- Arrowtown Community Sports Centre: The Trust needs to provide further information relevant to scope and funding. There is a \$1m gap currently for which they are confident of finding \$400k in savings through in-kind support etc. More information is required re outstanding \$600k between scope and funding plan.
- Wanaka Sports Facility/Pool: Work is in train on funding plan and legal advice sought re contractor procurement. Working with CLT, Lotteries and Community Trust of Otago on funding applications, targeting \$1.8m.
- QEC Storage Sheds: Licence to occupy drafted for cricket, rugby and athletics and awaiting feedback
- NZ Cricket: meeting on 23 July to discuss requirements for infrastructure etc in order to potentially secure more games.
- District Facility Strategy: talking to Sport NZ and Sport Otago re potential to work on a district wide facility strategy with DCC and CODC
- Queenstown Swim Club: looking to move to Alpine Aqualand all year round. Staff are working on rates.

Planning and Development (from Portfolio Leader, Councillor Gilmour)

- District Plan review has been the main consumer of time, expertise and energy this past month.
- Workshop and preparation of QLDC submission to the Otago Regional Council Regional Policy Statement.
- Review of Productivity Commission's draft enquiry report into housing, towards preparation of a submission.
- Minor work on Special Housing Areas.

Operationally, the following issues are highlighted:

- In the past year 1400 building consents worth \$440million have been processed. Traditionally, a busy year was considered to be 1200 building consents worth around \$300million.
- Pro-active monitoring of resource consents is continuing.
- 81 resource consent applications were received in June and 85 resource consent decisions issued (83 non-notified and two notified).
- Staff shortages are putting pressure on statutory time frames.
- 135 LIMs were issued in June.

Infrastructure (from Portfolio Leader, Councillor Cocks)

Capital Works

1. EAR/Glenda Drive, Road 2 (link between Glenda Drive and roundabout in EAR): Road work completed and SPL has applied for 224c approval.
2. Roundabout State Highway and 350m of EAR: Due for completion by November 2015 (weather depending). Fulton Hogan has applied for extension of time and GHD is assessing the request, but nothing is confirmed as yet.
3. Hawea Water supply, new bore and UV treatment: Building is completed and equipment is going in. Commissioning is planned for August 2015 with final completion by September 2015.
4. Edgewater gravity sewer, Stage 1 (Wanaka Station Park to Mt Aspiring Road): Stage 1 is complete. Stage 2 of the project will start September 2015.
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: Tender awarded to Fulton Hogan. Physical work starting 21 July 2015 with Veolia renewing water main before above ground construction is done. Plan to be finished at beginning of September 2015.
7. Brownston Street parking tenders close mid-July (was extended to get better quotes). Construction will start at spring time and planned to be finished by the end of September 2015
8. Plantation Road reservoir pipe work upgrade is complete.
9. Ardmore Street water and wastewater main upgrade was planned to start in May and be finished by end of June 2015 but further investigations have shown significant increase in the scope of work and is now scheduled to be completed by October 2015.

10. New Sewer line along Aubrey Rd (East): Contract awarded to Fulton Hogan and work has commenced.
11. Due to very good rates, negotiations of a possible role over of the reseal contract with Fulton Hogan is currently underway.
12. The following roads have been officially named: Road 2 (from EAR to Glenda Drive) is named Glenda Drive. Road 7 (Glenda Drive to SH6, passing Placemakers) is named Hardware Lane.

Other projects

1. Queenstown Town Centre Transport Strategy: Consultation is complete and hearings planned for 31 July 2015 with report back to Council 27th August 2015.
2. Wanaka Transport Strategy: Report on draft strategy to Wanaka Community Board August workshop.
3. Glenorchy wastewater: Report went to Council on 30 June 2015. The Chief Engineer will attend and report to the next Glenorchy Community Association meeting on the 6th August 2015.
4. Cardrona wastewater: Report went to Council on 30 June 2015. Negotiations to buy Baxter 2009 will start July 2015.
5. Trade Waste Bylaw: Final report seeking Council approval on 30th July 2015.
6. The first month of flow data survey has been completed in Wanaka and Queenstown. This data is critical for the calibration of the Council's legacy uncalibrated wastewater models.
7. Work has commenced to understand the issues and opportunities associated with meeting the requirements of NZTA's 'One Network Road Classification' (ONRC) and the upcoming retendering of the roading maintenance contract.
8. Work has been completed to enable the efficient annualised roll-over of the contracts modules of TechOne.

Recent Meetings

Property Subcommittee minutes (25 June 2015)

- 1 Road Naming Application – Shotover Park Limited
- 2 Extension of Licence to Occupy Road Reserve – ZQT Limited, 5 Athol Street, Lot 1 DP 20244, Queenstown
- 3 Winter Games – New Reserve Licences

Resource Consent Commissioner Appointment Committee draft minutes (25 June 2015)

- 1 Commissioner Appointments:

- Section 357A objection lodged by Deavoll Family Trust (RM150331)
- Section 357A objection lodged by Delta Utility Services Ltd (RM150216)
- Central Machine Hire Limited (RM150294)
- Aspiring Retirement Investments Limited/P D Gordon Trust Limited (RM150197)
- Game Over Queenstown Limited (RM150335)

Property Subcommittee draft minutes (9 July 2015)

- 1 Road Naming – Unnamed Section of road adjoining Glenda Drive

Attachments

- A Property Subcommittee minutes (25 June 2015)
- B Resource Consent Commissioner Appointments Committee draft minutes (25 June 2015)
- C Property Subcommittee draft minutes (9 July 2015)
- D Action list from previous Council meetings