

Summary of submissions on Queenstown Bay Reserve Management Plan Review – November 2015

#	Submitter Name	Key Points	Officer Comment	Changes made at hearing
1	Peter Sew Hoy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> St Omer Park should not be used for commercial activities or a car park as it was never intended for that use and would be detrimental to the value and amenity of our properties St Omer Park commonly used for passive recreation More commercial activity on St Omer park will increase traffic and noise on surrounding roads to an unacceptable level and discourage walkers Visually any commercial activity would detract from the lake views of all the owners of properties along the lakefront There are no toilets in St Omer Park Concerned at the possible pollution of the lake and rubbish problems generally which they consider would unavoidably arise from more commercial activity Other possible commercial activities (presumably apart from Fly board activity at One Mile) should be across the bay where there are no residential properties as there is parking closer to that area of the Queenstown Gardens and any noise made would not have such an adverse impact. 	<p>St Omer Park is located within the wider area of Zone 1 which does not allow commercial activity. Commercial activities that were previously located in St Omer Park have recently been relocated to defined area at the southern area of Zone 1 that is not adjacent to residential dwellings.</p> <p>This would locate commercial activities in Zone 4 which is not proposed.</p>	No change to text
2	Donald John Lucy			
3	Jennifer Mollard			
4	Wayne Perkins – Million Dollar Cruises	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requesting consent to be granted to repaint and groom wharves and jetties adjoining St Omer Park to improve their visual appearance from the reserve areas and could licence conditions relating to the wharves require continual maintenance of visual appearance 		No change to text
5	Department of Conservation, Wakatipu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The submission relates to Area 4 (Horne Creek to the Head of Queenstown Gardens The management plan should continue to 	Policies state a long term succession vegetation plan to ensure removal of	Page 11. Specific Objectives Zone 4 INSERT NEW OBJECTIVE

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	Reforestation Trust and Wakatipu Wilding Control Group	<p>recognise the southern part of Queenstown Bay in Area 4 as an essential part of the Queenstown Gardens Reserve</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The area possesses many natural values that should be retained • The area has an important function for public access and recreation on the lake front • Any objectives and policies should be complimentary to the existing Queenstown Gardens Reserve Management Plan • The sheltering role of the Douglas Firs that exist on the southern shore of the Bay is recognised however the submitter requests a more rapid phasing out of these trees and replacement with native vegetation or non wilding alternatives that can achieve the same sheltering role as existing vegetation • Existing Kowhai trees should be retained and all exotic vegetation should be replaced with native species such as Southern Rata and such work should extend to the established native section of the gardens adjacent to the Resort College • There is an excellent opportunity for Council to work with the submitters on reducing the spread of wilding conifers, the planting of native vegetation and subsequent attraction of native birdlife to the area • The foreshore would be a prominent location for educational signage in relation to wilding conifer control 	<p>inappropriate planting while protecting values of the adjacent gardens.</p> <p>Policies have been included to promote educational signage.</p>	<p><i>To enhance the ecological and biodiversity values of the area.</i></p> <p>Specific Policies Zone 4</p> <p>Amend wording to include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Manage the reserves to promote passive recreation activities and enjoyment of the lakes edge, while retaining the natural and predominantly undeveloped character of the area.</i> • <i>Manage the reserves to provide opportunities for ecological restoration</i>
6	Real Journeys Limited – Fiona Black	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An integrated approach should be taken with respect to the management of these foreshore Recreation Reserves; the waterway and the adjacent land of the Queenstown Town Centre • the area from the head of the gardens, around the 	<p>New wharves or jetties would require resource consent, harbourmaster approval and LINZ approval.</p>	<p>Page 8</p> <p>Vision</p> <p>Amend the overall vision to include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Advocate that surrounding activities and</i>

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		<p>edge of the gardens; and along marine parade to Kawarau Jet (the Town Pier) (Zones 3 and 4) should remain unencumbered and free of commercial structures and developments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Queenstown Bay Reserve Management Plan should also facilitate the safe operation of this port and not allow the proliferation of water based activities and or amusement activities which conflict with the safe unimpeded operation of the “TSS Earnslaw” in particular • The “TSS Earnslaw” has special operational requirements which are enshrined in the QLDC District Plan and Navigation Safety Bylaws and these provisions should also be reflected in the Queenstown Bay Reserve Management Plan • Jetties, wharves or moorings or other water based infrastructure which occupies the lake bed should not be developed along the eastern and southern margins of Queenstown Bay as such infrastructure will impinge on the “TSS Earnslaw’s” turning circle. • There should be no proliferation of infrastructure such as wharves and jetties around the bay • Should facilitate pedestrian traffic flow around Queenstown Bay and provide for passive recreation opportunities in the bay such as picnicking • Management Plan should focus on providing for essential services not “flash in the pan” amusement activities which do not offer visitors a quality Queenstown experience and impede pedestrian access around the bay 	<p>The District Plan states all new structures in Queenstown Bay require either a discretionary or noncomplying resource consent.</p> <p>Control of activities on the water is outside the remit of Reserve Management Plans.</p>	<p><i>land use do not adversely affect the values of the reserves.</i></p> <p>General Objectives and Policies for all reserves</p> <p>INSERT NEW OBJECTIVE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>To promote an integrated decision making strategy to ensure land based and water based activities in the Queenstown Bay are sympathetic to the values of the area</i>
7	Neil Johnston	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The submitter’s property has an unobstructed view out over St Omer Park to Lake Wakatipu and beyond • St Omer Park is a public park and should remain a 	<p>St Omer Park is located within the wider area of Zone 1 which does not allow commercial</p>	<p>No change to text.</p>

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		<p>park and that commercial activity in this area short be severely restricted. Unobstructed access to the lakefront through St Omer Park should be provided for it' use by all, not a select few.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St Omer Park is well used by walkers, runners and locals and visitors enjoying its fantastic amenity value. • We should preserve the value of St Omer Park for future generations. 	<p>activity. Commercial activities that were previously located in St Omer Park have recently been relocated to defined area at the southern area of Zone 1 that is not adjacent to residential dwellings.</p>	
8	Friends of the Wakatipu Gardens and Reserves (Jay Cassells)	<p>Group referred to the submissions made by the Friends and DJ and EJ Cassells on the Queenstown Gardens Management Plan to the extent that these relate to any of the zones, but especially Area 4. The summary of those submissions that are relevant to the areas now being reviewed are limited and are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Considers the Friends should be engaged with Council in any structure or protocol regarding the management of the gardens e.g. 7.1 and 14.4. • The southern lakeshore gardens area should be cleaned up. • Important that some continuing education is readily available to the community and visitors. • There should be no more commercialisation of the reserve whether by way of lease or licence. • Lighting must be sympathetic to the ambience of the gardens whilst providing for appropriate security and safety of visitors. • There should be a body representing community as well as Council to determine planting and tree removal and replacement programs. 	<p>No further commercialisation of Zone 4 is proposed.</p>	<p>Page 8</p> <p>Vision</p> <p>Amend the overall vision to include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Advocate that surrounding activities and land use do not adversely affect the values of the reserves.</i> <p>General Objectives and Policies for all reserves</p> <p>INSERT NEW OBJECTIVE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>To promote an integrated decision making strategy to ensure land based and water based activities in the Queenstown Bay are sympathetic to the values of the area</i>
9	Kevin Hey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Locals and visitors should be able to enjoy these areas in a private or commercial capacity provided no undue risk or nuisance is caused to other users 	<p>Proposed policies allow for 'low impact guided tours (potentially walking</p>	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any commercial operations that have successfully co-existed with the public over this time should be regarded favourably in the new management plan. The submitter outlines that they have been operating with much success and no adverse impact on the public for many years and that Segway should be regarded favourably in the management plan 	<p>or on personal transporters)</p>	
10	Elizabeth Boyd MacDonald	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commercial activity in Area One, St Omer Park should be confined to the One Mile car park area and extending from the car park to the public toilets. The remaining area should be reserved for passive recreation, (walking/cycling, children's play area and picnic tables/barbecues). Commercial activity can be intensified in the area of jetties and wharves in Area 2, (Boat Ramp adjoining St Omer Park to Town Pier) and in temporary structures only for restricted periods in Area 3 (Town Pier to Horne Creek) Positively no commercial activity or structures in Area 4 (Horne Creek to headland of Queenstown Gardens). This area provides a peaceful oasis, away from the hustle of commercial operations. It is extremely valuable as a place, close to the CBD, where there is nowhere to spend money, simply an area for enjoyment of the extremely high quality of the visual environment and for peaceful relaxation and contemplation. In short somewhere beautiful to get away from it all In terms of vegetation care should be taken to retain the colourful vegetation characteristic of the Bay and the submission describes appropriate species. Introduction of new species, either indigenous or introduced not currently characteristic of the lake 	<p>Policies generally support this</p>	

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		<p>shore should be avoided</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A great deal more attention needs to be paid to keeping grassed areas totally covered with green grass to avoid the current, ugly, patchy appearance of worn areas. A more manicured appearance as befitting this area of very high scenic value should be established and maintained. • The introduction of planter boxes with colourful annual flowers should be introduced to the commercial Area 2 to enhance the vibrant quality of this area, as is generally the case in similar public spaces overseas. Occupants of commercial premises should be encouraged to provide and maintain them. • Planting to partly screen and soften the appearance of the public toilet near the One Mile would be beneficial. 		
11	Evan Jenkins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The submitter has provided a very detailed submission. Most of the points relate to various improvements that can be made to the areas. While valuable the review of the Foreshore Management Plan will not go into the detail of how each area is designed. The design of areas forms part of Reserve development plans that come after this review should Council agree to develop them. <u>Area 1 –</u> • Replace all trees that can grow large with Cherry blossoms • Do not allow further Commercial development and remove existing commercial activities • Redevelop BBQ area to be more attractive to people including shelter etc. <u>Area 2 –</u> • Remove new art sculpture from O’Regans Park 	Much of the detail in this submission would be considered within proposed development plans.	No change to text.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replace most of the existing trees with Cherry Blossoms, move the Moa and Rees statue to another location, remove willow trees on Earnslaw Park and change bins • Replace memorial trees as Silver Birch are not suitable for urban environment • The grassed area of Earnslaw park should be free of commercial activity except for exceptional circumstances such as the markets and community events • Further control buskers and cull seagulls • <u>Area 3 –</u> • Widen Path from Pier to Memorial Gates and remove Car Parks • Change some trees, tidy up others and remove silver birches • Add Male urinal to alleviate queues at busy times • Regulate beach use to ensure available to all and no further commercial leases • <u>Area 4 –</u> • Construct walkway along reef to navigation light at the headland 		
12	Flyboard Queenstown	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Since February '14 the Flyboard Queenstown business has been operating from St Omer Park and One Mile (summer only). Originally from St Omer Park but were then relocated to One Mile for the '14/'15 summer. • Commercially beneficial to be operating in the bay where the majority of our visitors congregate, and therefore acknowledged are biased towards allowing commercial activity in the bay. • If Queenstown wants to keep attracting tourists to the “Adventure Capital of the World”, “eye-catching” activities should be encouraged in the centre of town. 	Flyboard have an existing concession and operate from Zone 1.	No change to text.

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13	Marty Black – Harbourmaster	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rubbish, • Commercial activities must be managed, • remove City of Dunedin and NZL boats, • ‘custodian’ in busy periods, • public wharf and jetty need to be assessed for maintenance 		<p>Page 10 Policies Zone 2 REPEAT POLICY FROM ZONE 1 <i>Foreshore protection works will be undertaken and maintained where erosion is evident.....</i></p>
14	Neville Kelly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday Craft Markets on Earnslaw Park impact on adjacent businesses • Propose two alternative locations, both in Zone 4. 	Craft markets have an existing licence permitting their activity.	No change to text.
15	Aotea gifts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday Craft Markets on Earnslaw Park impact on adjacent businesses • Market days should be limited/reduced 	Any changes to this would need to be addressed at the next review.	No change to text