

IN THE MATTER                      of the Resource  
Management Act 1991

AND

IN THE MATTER                      of the Queenstown Lakes  
Proposed District Plan

AND

IN THE MATTER                      of Hearing Submissions  
Seeking Changes to  
Planning Maps in Upper  
Clutha

### **MINUTE REQUESTING INDICATION OF HEARING TIME REQUIREMENTS**

1. It is proposed that the first group of hearings on requests to amend the Planning Maps will encompass all such submissions in the Upper Clutha, including Wanaka, but excluding the Ski Area Sub Zones at Treble Cone, Cardrona and on the Pisa Range. It is expected that the hearing for the Upper Clutha will commence after Easter 2017. All of the Ski Area Sub Zones (including Coronet Peak, Soho and the Remarkables) will be heard in a separate hearing stream after the completion of the Upper Clutha stream.
2. It is anticipated, based on the submissions lodged, that some submitters will mount substantial cases in support of the changes sought. The Hearing Panel is expecting several weeks of its time will be required to hear all of these submissions. The Panel also anticipates spending some time of visiting sites in contention.
3. To enable the Hearing Panel to more efficiently arrange its time, and to ensure that venues can be obtained for the hearing time required, we seek indications from submitters as follows:
  - a) Whether they intend to appear or not;
  - b) If appearing, the number of persons likely to be presenting to the Panel and the expertise of those persons;
  - c) An indicative time likely to be required to present the case, allowing for questions from the Panel.
4. The Hearing Panel has no knowledge of the Council's position in respect of any of these submissions. For the purposes of estimating the time required and the

witnesses involved, we ask that submitters assume that the Council will recommend rejecting their submission(s).

5. As with the hearings to date, we will be requiring lodgement of evidence in advance, pre-reading that and taking it as read at the hearing. Each witness will be able to provide a brief summary at the hearing prior to answering questions from the Panel. Once we have received the information requested and are able to estimate the overall time required, we will issue a more detailed procedural minute setting out dates for the s.42A report to be circulated and dates for evidence to be lodged. We would also hope to be able to give further guidance as to when submitters are likely to be heard. We note that by giving early advice of the likely hearing times, we would only be likely to agree to requests to lodge evidence late in exceptional circumstances.
6. Please lodge the information requested in paragraph 3 above by 4pm on Monday 26 September 2016 to [DP.Hearings@qldc.govt.nz](mailto:DP.Hearings@qldc.govt.nz).

For the Hearing Panel

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Nugent', is positioned below the text 'For the Hearing Panel'.

Denis Nugent (Chair)

9 September 2016