

IN THE MATTER

of the Resource
Management Act 1991

AND

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of Stage 3 of the
Queenstown Lakes
Proposed District Plan
(Stream 19)

MINUTE 48 – PROPOSED OTAGO RPS (2)

1. As I read the Council's Reply, the Council's position in relation to the Proposed RPS is:
 - (a) The policy direction for ONLs is sufficiently similar to the updated partially operative Regional Policy Statement that it does not give rise to any additional considerations for us to take into account in terms of the landscape assessment;
 - (b) The natural hazards provisions are significantly more directive than those in the partially operative RPS, and this has prompted Mr Matthee to recommend an additional policy.
2. Wayfare Group is required to advise whether it concurs with Mr Matthee's views in this regard, and if not, to set out its views, and the reasons for those views. Wayfare Group is also requested to advise if it believes any other provisions of the Proposed RPS of relevance to the issues before us make a material difference from the position set out in the partially operative updated RPS, and specifically identify same.
3. Mr Wakefield's submission (in his Reply submissions at 4.3) is that little weight should be afforded the Proposed RPS, given the early stage it has reached in the First Schedule process. Wayfare is requested also to advise whether it agrees with that stance (and if not, why not).
4. The Hearing Panel is meeting to deliberate this coming Friday 9 July. If possible, it would be appreciated if we could have at least an interim statement of position from Wayfare Group before close of business tomorrow, in order that we might take

that into account when we deliberate. I appreciate, however, that this may not be possible given the short notice I am giving the Wayfare team. Irrespective, Wayfare's counsel is requested to file a Memorandum stating its final position at latest by 1pm on 14 July. The Panel will meet again if required to address any additional information Wayfare provides after 9 July.

5. For the avoidance of doubt, the leave provided, as above, is strictly limited to the matters on which Wayfare Group's assistance is requested. This is not an opportunity to respond more generally to the Council's Reply and the Hearing Panel will not consider any material provided that does not directly respond to the questions posed as above.

Dated 7 July 2021



**Trevor Robinson
Chair
Stage 3 Hearing Panel**