

IN THE MATTER of the Resource
Management Act 1991

AND

IN THE MATTER of Stage 3 of the
Queenstown Lakes
Proposed District Plan

MINUTE 29 – WAHI TUPUNA ISSUES

Introduction

1. Prior to the hearing commencing, Counsel for Kā Rūnaka (Submitter #3289), Mr Enright, made application for leave to reply following conclusion of the Wāhi Tūpuna hearings. I indicated at the commencement of the hearing that rather than give Kā Rūnaka a general right of reply, I preferred to address the situation after Kā Rūnaka had been heard, in order that any reply might be strictly targeted to outstanding issues. Mr Enright was content to proceed on that basis.
2. Kā Rūnaka were heard on 21 July. The Hearing Panel took the opportunity to canvas a wide range of issues with the submitter's representatives/witnesses, many of which had been raised in previous days of hearing by other submitters. In some cases, the witnesses for Kā Rūnaka indicated that they would need to consider the issue and respond at a later time.
3. Mr Enright has now made application on behalf of Kā Rūnaka, seeking the ability to file a limited reply on listed matters by 1pm on 12 August 2020.
4. In addition, Mr and Mrs Rendel (Submitter #3207), who had appeared earlier, have provided additional material arising out of our discussion with the witnesses for Kā Rūnaka – the material is essentially a series of subdivision plans showing the extent of consented development in the Closeburn area and within wāhi tūpuna #16 (Punatapu) - to assist both Kā Rūnaka and the Hearing Panel's consideration of the ambit of that wāhi tūpuna.
5. Strictly speaking the provision of such additional material requires leave and so I address that also.

Discussion:

6. Having reviewed the list of issues Mr Enright would propose to reply on, I am satisfied that these are appropriately limited to matters arising out of Kā Rūnaka's submissions and evidence heard on 21 July, and which it would be helpful for the Hearing Panel to have further input on.
7. As foreshadowed with Mr Enright, I have discussed with the Hearing Panel members whether there are any additional points on which the Hearing Panel would appreciate input from Kā Rūnaka not specifically noted in Mr Enright's application. While I suspect that Mr Enright and his team have already noted all of the additional points which have occurred to the Hearing Panel for response, for the record, I list the following points:
 - (i) If the Panel felt it was helpful to add English descriptions for the location of each wāhi tūpuna not already providing same, what descriptions would be appropriate?
 - (ii) If there is scope to map urban centres at Queenstown, Frankton and Wanaka, what areas exactly would be mapped as wāhi tūpuna?
 - (iii) Where the expanded description of wāhi tūpuna values provided by Mr Ellison in his evidence in chief does not explain the ambit of the mapped wāhi tūpuna, whether those values might need to be expanded and/or clarified, or the wāhi tūpuna remapped, or a combination of the two?
 - (iv) Specifically in relation to the listed Nohoaka, the extent to which the mapped wāhi tūpuna extend beyond Crown land and the rationale for the location of the wāhi tūpuna boundaries in each case.
8. I grant leave for Kā Rūnaka to reply on these matters, in addition to those listed in Mr Enright's application dated 24 July, such reply to be in hand not later than 1pm on 12 August 2020.
9. Turning to Mr and Mrs Rendel's further information, I find that it is entirely factual, providing, as they said, further information not apparent from the existing mapping of wāhi tūpuna #16 (Punatapu) and therefore helpful to the Hearing Panel's

consideration of these issues. I therefore grant leave for its lodgement as part of the hearing record.

Dated 27 July 2020

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**Trevor Robinson
Chair
Stage 3 Hearing Panel**