QUEENSTOWN LAKES DISTRICT COUNCIL PROPOSED DISTRICT PLAN: PRIORITY AREA LANDSCAPE SCHEDULES

MINUTE OF COMMISSIONERS

7th February 2024

- 1. The Queenstown Lakes District Council (Council) has appointed a Hearing Panel, which comprises Commissioners Jane Taylor, Peter Kensington and Quentin Smith (the Commission), to hear all submissions and, after it has heard the submissions, to make recommendations on the Variation to the Proposed District Plan: Priority Area Landscape Schedules as to whether to accept or reject the submissions received and any amendments to the provisions of the Schedules.
- 2. The Council is then required to decide whether to accept or reject the Hearing Panel's recommendations.

Memorandum on behalf of Queenstown Lakes District Council Addressing Council's 'Clean' Reply Version Landscape Schedules

- 3. A Memorandum of Queenstown Lakes District Council dated 31 January 2024 has been received, addressing Council's 'Clean' reply version of the landscape schedules (the Memorandum).
- 4. We have considered the matters set out in paragraphs 4 to 5 of the Memorandum, and agree with Council that these amendments are minor or technical in nature and assist with accuracy, consistency and clarity.
- 5. Similarly, we have considered Council's re-inclusion of an omitted paragraph (33) into the 21.22.19 ONL Mount Alpha Schedule, as set out at paragraphs 6 to 13. While we agree that including the omitted paragraph in the updated schedule would not prima facie give rise to any clear prejudice, in the interests of fairness, we propose to extend an opportunity for all parties to consider the re-inclusion of paragraph 33 of Schedule 21.22.19 and to advise us of any concerns. Directions are accordingly set out below.
- 6. With respect to the Accept/Reject recommendations spreadsheet at paragraph 14, we accept that this is a time-consuming but nonetheless important task, and that resourcing has been an issue due to illness. We are therefore comfortable to extend the timeframe for completion of the updates to 12 noon on 16 February 2024.
- 7. We therefore issue the following **directions**:
 - (a) Council is to file the updated Accept/ Reject spreadsheet with the Hearing Administrator by <u>12 noon on 16 February 2024</u>.
 - (b) Any parties that wish to raise an issue with the re-inclusion of paragraph 33 in Schedule 21.22.19 are to set these out in writing to the Hearing Administrator by 12 noon on Monday 12th February 2024.
- 8. Should any party have any queries in relation to this Minute or require any clarification in relation to the process for this hearing, please contact the Hearings Administrator at dp.hearings@qldc.govt.nz.



Jane Taylor

For the Commission

<mark>7 February 2024</mark>