

Wānaka Upper Clutha

The Wānaka-Upper Clutha Community Board (WUCCB) has recommended to Council that these projects be considered for funding through this 2026-27 Annual Plan or early in the 2027-37 Long Term Plan.

There may also be an opportunity to partially fund these projects through the Wānaka Asset Sales Reserve, which was established following the sale of Scurr Heights land in 2016 and is intended to support legacy community projects in the Upper Clutha.

See WUCCB 12 May 2026 Annual Plan 2026/27 report with their recommendations

Which of these priorities should be

- included in Annual Plan 2025/26 and
- be funded via Wānaka Asset Sale reserve or
- via existing rating methodology per Revenue & Financing Policy ?

| Project | Funding required |
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| Roys Bay Jetty renewal following damage to the existing jetty. | There's an existing budget of \$0.9M for waterways structure renewals which could be put towards engagement and design of a permanent solution. |
| Wānaka Lakefront Development Plan (stage 4) – commence a standalone pathway project ahead of full delivery of Stage Four. | \$580K could be brought forward from 2031-2032. |
| Wānaka Lakefront Development Plan – introduce a new 'light touch' Stage 6, better linking McDougall Street carpark/toilets to the Wānaka Water Sports carpark. | No current budget. Budget could be added to the Annual Plan 2026-2027 to begin concept planning and design. |
| Lower Helwick Street Redevelopment – complete upgrades to better connect the town centre to the lake. | No current budget. \$500k could be added to the Annual Plan 2026-2027 to start concept planning. |
| Full sized multi-use artificial turf for use by the community's sports groups. | No current budget. \$700k capex and \$100k opex to start planning in 2026-2027. |
| Opportunities exist to further the shared path network and make safety improvements. Projects may include: Ardmore Street (Lakeside Road roundabout to Caltex roundabout); SH84/SH6 (Mt Iron underpass to Mt Iron Junction to Aubrey Road) and Ballantyne Road (Sir Tim Wallis Drive to Riverbank Road). | Sufficient budget is available across various projects and years of the LTP. Staff could be allocated to prepare for next NLTP round to ensure Wānaka projects are ready if NZTA funding becomes available. Otherwise, projects can proceed unsubsidised. |
| Wānaka Performing Arts Centre Feasibility Study. | Staff could be allocated to assist Wānaka Arts and Cultural Trust with further feasibility work required ahead of consideration of potential LTP funding. |
| Community park in Timsfield, Hāwea. | \$799K budgeted already available in 2026-2027 for playgrounds in Hāwea and could be reallocated to this park. |