

23 September 2025

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Sent via email to [REDACTED]

LG25-0249 - Council Investment in Sport and Active Recreation for Young People (2022–2025)

Dear [REDACTED],

REQUEST FOR OFFICIAL INFORMATION – RELEASE OF INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information held by the Queenstown Lakes District Council (QLDC). On 28 August 2025 you requested the following information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA):

Council's initiatives on sport and physical activity - 2022-2025:

1. A list of initiatives of active recreation for young people that the Council funds
2. The total investment
3. Strategic document on active recreation
4. If an evaluation of the strategy/initiative has been completed, the date and outcome of the evaluation

QLDC RESPONSE

Release of information

In response to your request, we consulted with the QLDC Community Partnerships Team.

1. A list of initiatives of active recreation for young people that the Council funds

A record of grant recipients funded during the specified period is publicly available on the [QLDC Community Funding webpage](#). While efforts have been made to interpret the request and compile relevant information [here](#), the definition of “active recreation for young people” is considered too broad for precise categorisation; therefore, identification of applicable recipients is left to the requester’s discretion.

Please note that the enclosed link will expire on 23 October 2025, 8:38 AM (UTC+12:00) Auckland, Wellington.

2. The total investment

The calculation for total investment should be carried out using the requesters’ own definitions, as outlined in question 1.

3. Strategic document on active recreation

Several Council-approved strategic documents outline priorities and contribute to the active recreation mandate. These are all accessible via the QLDC website.

Document	Description
Queenstown Lakes – Central Otago Sub-Regional Sport and Recreation Facility Strategy	A regional strategy focused on sport and active recreation facilities across QLDC and Central Otago.
Parks and open spaces strategy (2021)	A strategy addressing the provision, development, and management of parks and open spaces that support active recreation.
Queenstown Lakes Community Facility Strategy 2021-2031	A strategy outlining the planning and use of community facilities, many of which serve sport and recreation purposes.
Reserve management plans	District-wide plans detailing the management, use, and development of reserves, including both open space and recreation reserves.
Wakatipu Trails Strategy	A strategy dedicated to trail networks, recognising trails as a key form of active recreation and identifying public access points.
Queenstown lakes spatial plan (draft)	Spatial planning documents that designate active recreation zones such as parks, recreation centres, and related facilities.
Long Term Plan 2024-2034 (QLDC)	Includes proposed and funded investment in sport and recreation infrastructure, including accelerated development of community facilities such as new sports fields in Wānaka and additional fields and amenities at 516 Ladies Mile.
Queenstown Event Centre Indoor Facilities Project (refer <i>Item 2: Queenstown Events Centre Indoor Courts Project</i>)	As part of the 2024–2034 LTP, a new indoor sporting facility featuring four indoor courts has been approved.
101 Ballantyne Road Masterplan	A masterplan is currently underway to guide the development of sport, recreation, and open space facilities in the area over the next 20 years.

4. If an evaluation of the strategy/initiative has been completed, the date and outcome of the evaluation

Evaluation details, including dates and outcomes, are outlined within the respective documents where applicable.

We trust that the above information satisfactorily answers your request.

Kind regards,



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