

QUEENSTOWN LAKES DISTRICT COUNCIL – PROPOSED DISTRICT PLAN
UPPER CLUTHA LANDSCAPE SCHEDULES VARIATION

MINUTE 12 OF THE COMMISSION

ACCEPTANCE OF REQUEST FROM OTAGO FEDERATED FARMERS FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

25 AUGUST 2026

Introduction

1. The Queenstown Lakes District Council (the Council) has appointed a Hearing Panel, which comprises Commissioners Peter Kensington, Richard Blakey and Quentin Smith (the Hearing Panel / Commission), to hear all submissions and, after it has heard the submissions, to make recommendations on the Variation to the Proposed District Plan: Upper Clutha Landscape Schedules, as to whether to accept or reject the submissions received and any amendments to the provisions of the Schedules. The Council is then required to decide whether to accept or reject the Hearing Panel's recommendations.
2. In facilitating the hearing process, the Council has passed delegated authority to the Hearing Panel to make determinations regarding any procedural matters that arise.

Memorandum of Counsel for Otago Federated Farmers dated 24 August 2026

3. Legal Counsel for Otago Federated Farmers (Submitter 41), via memorandum dated 24 August 2026, has requested an extension of time for lodgement of legal submissions. The timetable, as set out at paragraph 9.8 within Minute 4 from the Hearings Panel dated 22 April 2026, required such submissions to be filed by 12 noon on Wednesday 26 August 2026. Due to Legal Counsel being unwell, the respectful request is to extend this timeframe through until 12 noon on Friday 28 August 2026.

Acceptance of request

4. The Hearing Panel accepts the request and approves the two-day extension for lodgement of legal submissions on behalf of Otago Federated Farmers, with these now due to be provided by **12 noon on Friday 28 August 2026**. The Hearing Panel appreciates the position of Legal Counsel for this submitter, accepts the reasons for the request and considers no prejudice arises in making this procedural decision.
5. 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 by email at dp.hearings@qldc.govt.nz.



Peter Kensington

For the Commission

25 August 2026