BEFORE THE INDEPENDENT HEARINGS PANEL FOR THE QUEENSTOWN LAKES PROPOSED DISTRICT PLAN

Under the Resource Management

Act 1991

In the matter of the Urban

Intensification Variation

to the proposed Queenstown Lakes District Plan.

STATEMENT OF EVIDENCE OF

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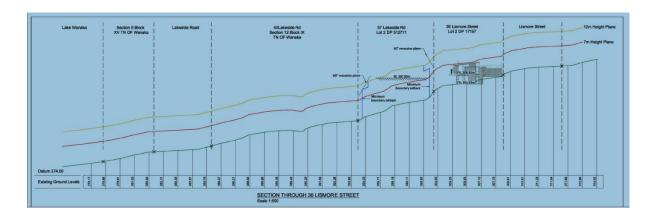
Introduction

- 1. My name is Warwick Osborne. I am filing this statement of evidence as submitter number [1131] with respect the effect of the variation on the property that my wife Marie, and I own at 36 Lismore Street, Wanaka.¹
- 2. We purchased the property on the 15^{th of} December 2020 after completing thorough due diligence, including a LIM report, consultation with QLDC planners, independent planners and surveyors. We wanted to clearly understand the extent to which potential development rights on adjacent land might degrade or otherwise adversely affect amenity values enjoyed by the property, especially the expansive lake and mountain view, illustrated in the image below.



¹ Valuation 2905210501, Land Area 429m2, Lot 1 DP 439614.

- 3. Our due diligence enquiries extended to instructing surveyors to prepare cross sections, illustrating a potential complying development in front of our property. Those cross sections were prepared by Patterson Pitts and are included as an appendix to my evidence. The cross sections showed potential view degradation, predominantly on the lower level. We also consulted neighbours to understand what their development aspirations might be.
- 4. Our enquiries and investigations did not identify any issues of real concern beyond potential loss of views on the lower level of the property, and we proceeded with the purchase of the property.
- 5. It goes without saying that one of the key reasons for purchasing the property was the amenity value of the property with its outstanding views to the lake and mountains from the main living areas of the property. The aspect also offers ideal sunlight access.
- 6. Fast forward to the UIV (**Variation**) driven by the NPS -UD, and it now appears our view will be obliterated significantly reducing the amenity value of the property. The cross section below illustrates the degree of the adverse effect.



- 7. We were first notified of the Variation by a Lismore Street neighbour. He was also concerned that the Variation would have unintended consequences and potentially deliver Visitor Accommodation (VA) developments instead of residential housing.
- 8. As per my layman's understanding and being in the real estate industry for 23 years (currently as Managing Director of Harcourts Otago) I envisage that the delivery of Visitor Accommodation would be the predominant outcome from this process. I hold

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real concerns that the objectives of the NPS - UD and the Variation will most likely not

be met. The Council owes it to those whose amenity values will be affected to the

greatest degree (i.e. the current residents) to fully appreciate and understand what the

outcomes and risks will be. Unintended outcomes are simply not acceptable given the

stakes involved. In particular, the <u>unintended consequence</u> of the NPS - UD and the

Variation will drive VA and will not deliver on the key objective of the Variation to

deliver residential housing and housing that is affordable.

9. I record that 36 Lismore does not operate as a Visitor Accommodation property.

10. Due time and care needs to be taken to ensure the right outcome is achieved. The

impacts and effects associated with the greater enablement of VA need to be fully

understood and analysed ahead of implementation. Related to this is the halving of

parking on Lismore Street, making it potentially dangerous for two cars to pass safely

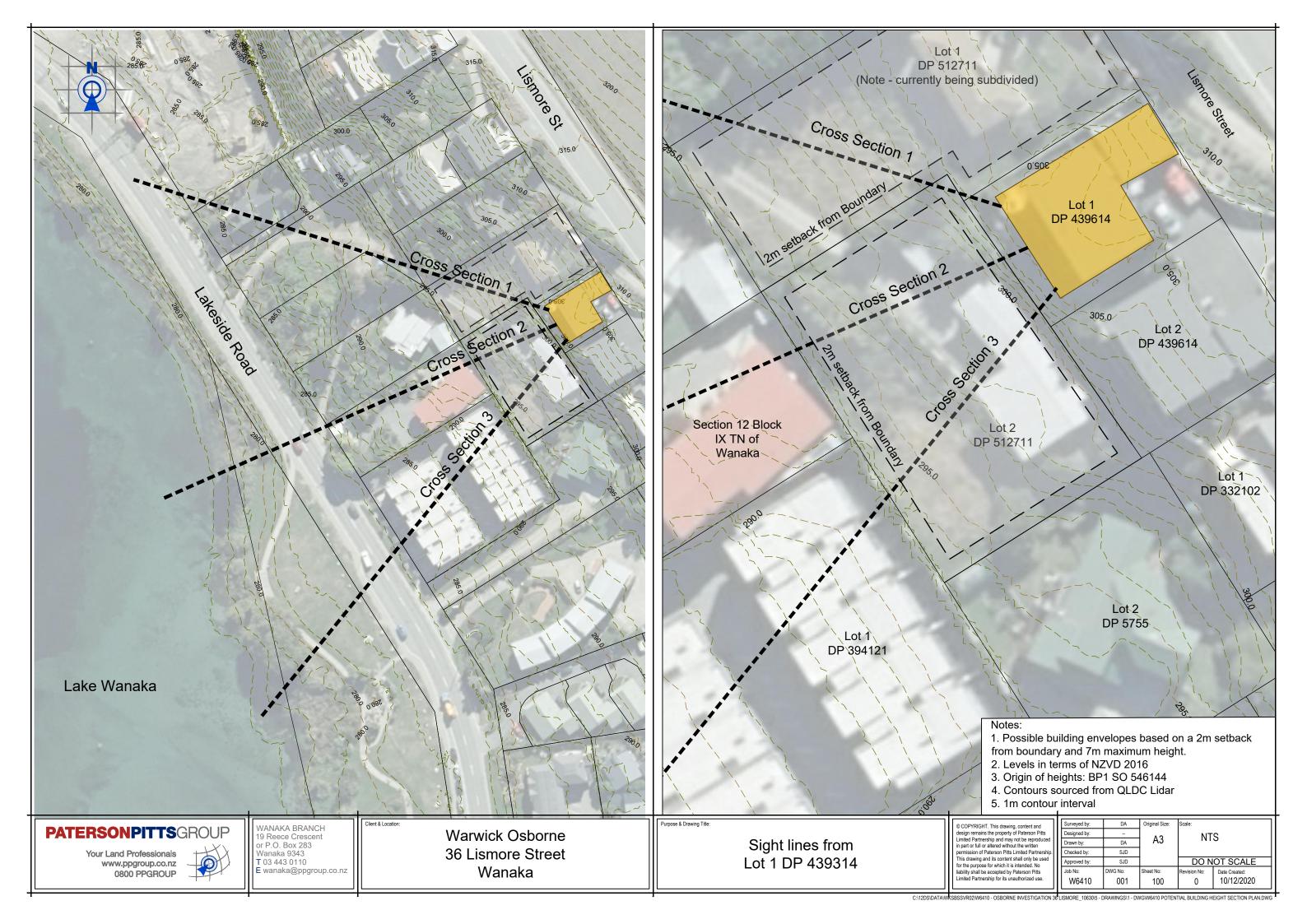
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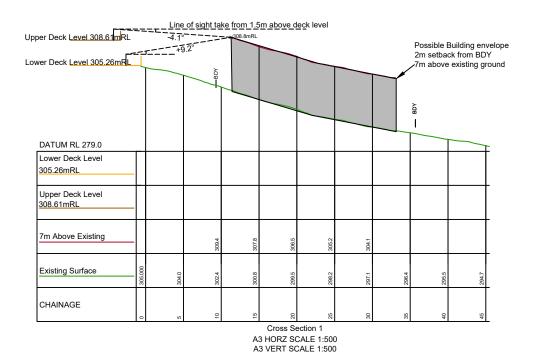
11. I support the relief proposed by planning expert Carey Vivian, who has been engaged

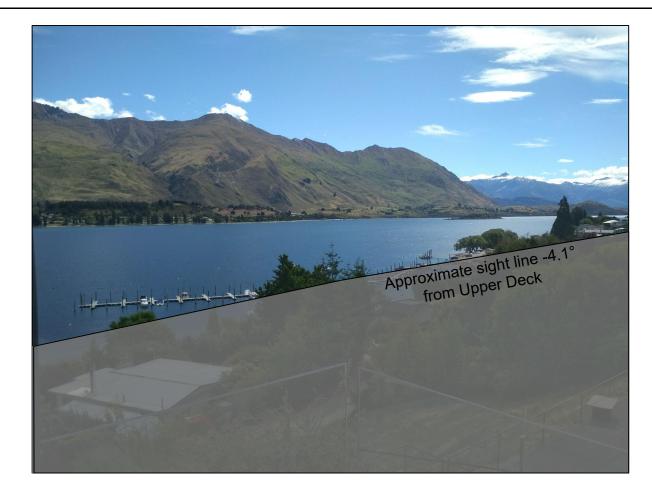
by the Lismore Street group to give evidence on our behalf at the hearing.

9 July 2025

Warwick Osborne







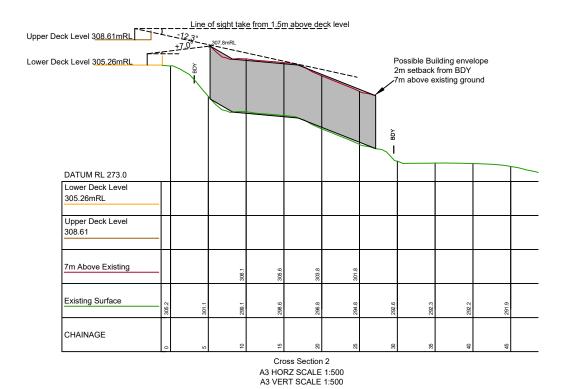




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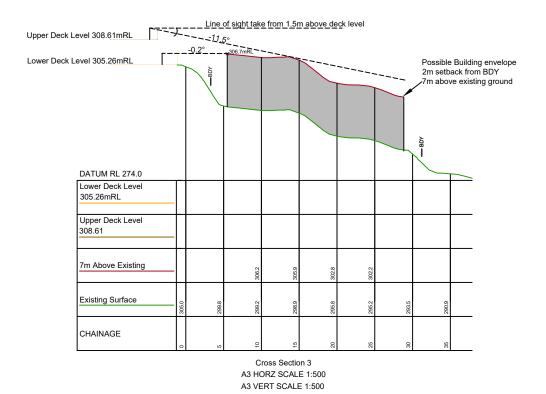
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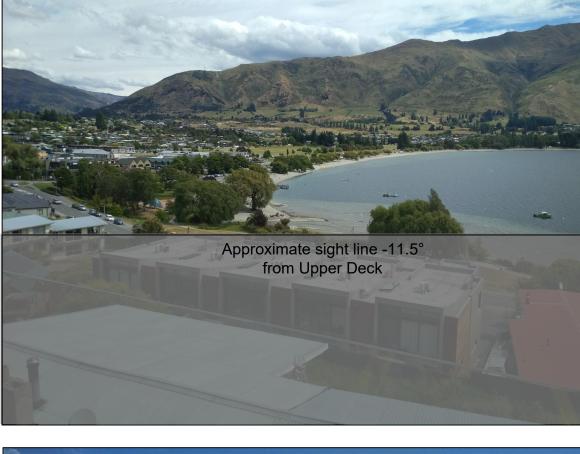
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