Queenstown Lakes District Council

Variation to Queenstown Lakes Proposed District Plan: Inclusionary Housing

Minute 4:

1. JOINT MEMORANDA OF COUNSEL DATED 18 DECEMBER 2023

- 1.1 The Hearing Panel has today received a Joint Memorandum of Counsel for several parties¹, requesting an extension to the time and date by which its evidence must be lodged. The reason for the extension request is that Mr Fraser Colegrave, an economic expert, is preparing statements of evidence for the parties and that Mr Colegrave has fallen ill "this past week" which has delayed him being able to complete his evidence in time for the lodgement deadline of 12pm Tuesday 19 December 2023. As the same parties intend to call planning and corporate evidence which will rely on Mr Colegrave's evidence, an extension of the timetable has been sought, to 22 December 2023. The parties in question consent to a corresponding extension to the date by which the Council's rebuttal evidence is to be lodged, to 14 February 2024.
- 1.2 The Panel records its disappointment at receiving this request so close to the original evidence deadline, given the wording of the Joint Memorandum signals Mr Colegrave's illness appears to have been known last week. The parties should be aware that the Panel has set aside time to read the evidence from all submitters, including through the summer break, and that decisions will then be made by the Panel about the need for expert conferencing. Any extension affects the date by which the Panel will receive the evidence and its ability to complete its reading.
- 1.3 We consider that a shorter extension than that sought by the parties is appropriate. This will enable Council staff to have the necessary time to upload the documents and to make them available to the Panel before the Xmas break.

2. DIRECTIONS

- 2.1 The evidence for the parties listed in Footnote 1 below is to be lodged with the Council no later than **4.00pm** on Thursday 21 December 2023.
- 2.2 Should Mr Colegrave not recover from his illness in time to meet the deadline stated in paragraph 2.1 of this Minute 4, the parties listed in Footnote 1 below must continue to lodge all evidence other than Mr Colegrave's evidence by the deadline stated in paragraph 2.1 of this Minute 4. Mr Colegrave's evidence, and any amendments to the parties' evidence that may be necessary in light of Mr Colegrave's evidence, must then be lodged no later than noon on Monday 8 January 2024.
- 2.3 The date by which the Council is to lodge its rebuttal evidence is no later than noon on Wednesday 14
 February 2024. That rebuttal evidence to be uploaded by the Council on the Council website no later than noon on Friday 16 February 2024.

¹ Willowridge Developments Limited, Queenstown Central Limited, Millbrook Country Club Ltd, Homestead Bay Trust Limited, Trojan Helmet Limited, Boxer Hill Trust, Fulton Hogan Land Development Limited, Ladies Mile Property Syndicate Limited Partnership

2.4 The timetable for the hearing is to be amended accordingly.

Jan Caunter, Chair

For the Hearing Panel

18 December 2023