

**QUEENSTOWN LAKES DISTRICT COUNCIL PROPOSED DISTRICT PLAN - STAGE 1**  
**Amended Summary of Decisions Requested for two submissions seeking relief associated**  
**with land at Arthurs Point**

**MINUTE OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**2 November 2022**

1. The Queenstown Lakes District Council (Council) has appointed a Hearing Panel, which comprises Independent Commissioners Jane Taylor and Ian Munro (the Commission) , to hear all submissions and make recommendations on the Plan Change, after it has heard the submissions, as to whether to accept or reject the submissions received and any amendments to the provisions of the Plan Change.
2. The Council is then required to decide whether to accept or reject the Hearing Panel recommendations.
3. On 26 October 2022 the Commission issued a Minute and accompanying Notice of Hearing setting out an amended timetable in response to a number of Memoranda and emails from further submitters. Paragraph 25 of that Minute stated that *“the Commission would not enter into any further correspondence with respect to the amended timetabling directions set out [in the Minute]...”*.
4. On Tuesday, 1 November 2022 the Commission received a memorandum of Counsel on behalf of the Arthurs Point Outstanding Natural Landscape Society Incorporated dated 1 November 2022 (the APONLS Memorandum), in which the APONLS advised that its landscape expert, Mr Brown, would be unable to attend the hearing now scheduled for 1 to 3 February 2022. By way of relief, the APOLNS requested that the amended hearing dates be vacated and that new hearing dates be found after Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> February 2022 (in practical terms the week beginning 20 February 2022), which is the earliest date Mr Brown would be available.
5. The request of the APOLNS is declined. The amended hearing dates of 1 to 3 February were set following consideration of a number of matters, including fairness to Council and all submitters, as was comprehensively discussed in our Minute dated 26 October 2022. Any change in these dates to accommodate the APOLNS landscape witness would be significantly prejudicial to Council and other submitters, and in our assessment outweighs any prejudice to the APOLNS in all of the circumstances.
6. It remains open to the APOLNS for Mr Brown to file written evidence, and to attend the hearing by way of a telephone link if practicable.
7. Should any party have any queries in relation to these directions or require any clarification in relation to the process for this hearing, please contact the Hearings Administrator at [dp.hearings@qldc.govt.nz](mailto:dp.hearings@qldc.govt.nz).



Jane Taylor

For the Commission

2 November 2022