

21 January 2022

[REDACTED]
Sent via email to [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED],

REQUEST FOR OFFICIAL INFORMATION – INFORMATION DOES NOT EXIST

We refer to your official information request dated 19 January 2022. You requested the following information from the Queenstown Lakes District Council (QLDC):

- All documentation and correspondence regarding the naming of the shopping area as Queenstown Central. In addition, who gave the final approval for the naming and who signed it off.

QLDC response

We do not hold any correspondence in relation to any sign off or approval given by QLDC for the title “Queenstown Central” for the Five-mile shopping area. Therefore, we are unable to provide any information on this subject. We provide more information as to our rationale for this later in this response.

Please note we did not sign off or approve the title and because it is owned by a private owner and not Council, it was their decision to have the title as “Queenstown Central”.

We trust this response satisfactorily answers your request.

Decision to withhold remaining information requested

The information does not exist

We are unable to provide any correspondence for your information request, and therefore have to decline your request in accordance with section 17(e) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA). Section 17(e) of the LGOIMA provides that the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found. In this case, to answer your request, we performed an email archive search under the key words provided by you and were unable to locate any emails/records regarding the naming of the shopping area as Queenstown Central as mentioned in your request.

Right to review the above decision

Note that you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about this process is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please contact Naell.Crosby-Roe@qldc.govt.nz
(Governance & Stakeholder Services Manager).

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Sethi', with a horizontal line underneath.

Poonam Sethi
Governance and official Information Advisor