

QLDC Council

31 August 2023

Report for Agenda Item | Rīpoata moto e Rāraki take [6]

Department: Chief Executive

Title | Taitara : Chief Executive Report

Purpose of the Report | Te Take mō te Pūroko

The purpose of this report is to report on items of general interest and to summarise items from recent meetings of the Wānaka-Upper Clutha Community Board and Standing Committees. This report also recommends the proposed 2024 schedule of ordinary meetings for Council, Standing Committees, and the Wānaka -Upper Clutha Community Board for adoption, and advises a statutory notification regarding the voting system for future Council elections.

Recommendation | Kā Tūtohuka

That the Council:

1. **Note** the contents of this report; and
2. **Adopt** the 2024 schedule of ordinary meetings of the full Council, Standing Committees and the Wānaka-Upper Clutha Community Board;

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Title: Chief Executive

10 August 2023

Context | Horopaki

Adoption of 2024 Meeting Schedule

1. The Local Government Act 2002 requires a local authority to “hold the meetings that are necessary for the good government of its region or district.” Further, if a local authority adopts a schedule of meetings, the schedule “may cover any future period that the local authority considers appropriate.”
2. Council’s current meeting schedule covers the period until December 2023. Accordingly, a new schedule of ordinary Council, Standing Committees and Wānaka-Upper Clutha Community Board meetings needs to be adopted in accordance with Clause 19(6)(a)(i) Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002.
3. The proposed meeting dates until December 2024 are set out in the attached table, noting that the actual meeting schedule may be amended at any time according to operational needs. The Council issues and publishes monthly updates and these provide the authoritative version of which meetings are to be held within any given month.
4. The proposed meeting dates follow a similar recurrence and sequence of Council/committee/community board meetings as those held during 2023, with some irregularities to take account of public holidays and certain statutory deadlines.
5. In 2024, it is proposed to hold the Council meetings scheduled for 28 March 2024, 27 June 2024 and 5 September 2024 in Wānaka, and in Arrowtown on 2 May 2024. All other full Council meetings will take place in Queenstown. The Community & Services Committee will meet in Wānaka on 27 June 2024 and the Planning & Strategy Committee will meet in Wānaka on 5 September. The Infrastructure Committee will meet in Wānaka on 21 November.

Electoral Systems for future Council elections

6. The Council has a statutory duty before 19 September two years before a triennial election under the Local Electoral Act 2001 [‘LEA’] to issue a public notice about the right to demand a poll to change the electoral system from First Past the Post [‘FPP’] electoral system to the Single Transferable Vote [‘STV’] electoral system.
7. A change to the electoral system may be initiated in one of two ways:
 - a. The local authority may resolve to change its electoral system (section 27)
 - b. There is a poll of electors undertaken to determine that a specified electoral system be used in the local authority area concerned. A poll may also be undertaken if a minimum of 5% of electors submit a public demand for a poll
8. The Council resolved at its meeting held on 3 September 2020 to retain FPP for both the 2022 and 2025 triennial elections. Accordingly, unless there is the demand for a poll, the Council will not have to revisit the question until August/September 2026.

Committee Meetings of the Previous Round

Planning and Strategy Committee – Councillor Lyal Cocks (Chair) (8 August 2023)

Information:

1. Update of Proposed District Plan Appeals
2. Update on Resource Consent Appeals

This meeting took place with the public excluded.

Infrastructure Committee – Councillor Gavin Bartlett (Chair) (17 August 2023)

Information:

1. Proposed Bicycle Parking in Arrowtown Central Business District
2. Additional Parking Restrictions Under the Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2018

Attachments | Kā Tāpirihaka

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| A | Queenstown Lakes District Council 2024 Meeting Schedule |
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