

1/ Allow me to introduce myself

I am Susan May Todd Born in Queenstown  
in October 1954 - I am 63 yrs old

A 5th Generation WAKATIPU

I have lived in the Wakatipu Basin my entire  
life, still proud to call this place my home

In Feb 2018 I registered my submission with  
the QDC regarding the new proposed district plan  
Today on 18th July 2018 I come before you to  
have a voice and express my concerns regarding  
the content of the new proposed plan.

I wish to add to my original submission some  
extra thoughts regarding the proposed district  
It concerns me that our submissions are to  
be heard by independent commissioners -  
imported from other parts of the country -  
people who have no interest or physical  
connections with the local community,  
its existence, its history, its progression or  
its pathway to wards a sustainable future  
My questions to you is - why are these hearing  
not attended and discussed responsibly and  
accountably by all of our local community  
elected current council members and mayor  
of the QUEENSTOWN LAKES DISTRICT Council?

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In but a few years we will be faced with a new body of council members and a revisit of old and new challenges. QLDC is responsible for listening to its people, embracing its environment and creating the pathways for the future of the Wakatipu Basin & Beyond.

From the QLDC web page. Our mayor Mr. Boulton has expressed that the council will be "Adopting a clear vision for the future" "A vision that will reflect the needs and aspirations of our community".

They should function and perform in the manner that they were elected.

The rights and expectations of the people should not be compromised because of lack of consultation.

Perhaps we need to address the viability of a small council workforce (10 Councillors & Mayor) and look at a more suitable regional support structure to allow all to progress successfully, comfortably with a positive and rewarding outcome.

Completing sustainable tasks that will continue to ~~grow~~ build and grow a healthy happy

3/ Successful & diverse community across  
the Wakatipu Basin and Beyond.

From the Airport, The Hospital, the water  
quality & supply, The infrastructure, Sewage  
transport & roading, the state of the all  
important pathways that provide the necessary  
food supplies, services goods and communications  
that keep our community alive. All these to  
be in impeccable shape for now and the future.  
Easy to manage affordable and accessible  
practical achievements for all who choose  
to live and work in what we call 'home'.  
A Community in search of a prosperous  
and gratifying future.

We need to follow the great pathways of  
exchange which thrive on connections of  
trade and tourism with the rest of the world.  
We need confidence and enterprise to  
continue to develop a place rich in culture  
and history. To have pride of place and  
an interest in sharing and embracing a  
lifestyle & environment <sup>which</sup> our unique piece  
of paradise offers both locals and world  
travellers.

Travelling in the footsteps of our forefathers

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Our early explorers and pioneers we continuously search for improvements, sustainability and satisfaction in rewards from our exciting challenges and experiences that our unique community offers.

It would be most beneficial if we could achieve an open and transparent partnership between our communities elected Council members and the now very diverse cultural values and knowledge the new generation and local community contribute to our district.

I wish to address the - ONL - the outstanding natural landscape line - as proposed <sup>with</sup> the zoning of the new proposed district plan zones.

The outstanding natural landscape surrounds parts of the Wakatipu Basin in the form of our mountains (the Remarkables, Coronet Peak, Mt Nicholas, Walter Peak and the mountain ranges beyond). Our major lakes, Lake Wakatipu, Lake Wanaka, Lake Hayes and the many rivers that flow through the valleys - The Dart River, The Rees River, The Shotover River, The Clutha River are a collection of outstanding natural landscape features created 1000's of years ago by glaciation and the effects of the forces.

5/ of nature's movements continue to make in remodelling and shaping the contours of our environment.

In my submission of the new proposed district plan I expressed my concerns regarding the placement of the owl line around the base of Morven Hill.

I am here to speak up about this aspect of the proposed district plan because I have a personal interest and family associations wishing to protect and support my father and his farm land. I question the positioning of the owl line and its relevance.

In October 2018 my father will be 88, he has owned and farmed "Deenhulme" on Morven Ferry Road for over 65 years.

My father still lives on the farm and continues to farm to this day.

Over the years he has diversified from sheep to deer farming to maintain a sustainable and economical living.

It is disappointing that the said owl line was put in place by a faceless member of our local council or an associate staff or contract employee.

6/ I say, faceless because there was no consultation with my father, the landowner over where the said line was to be or should be placed.

The line had been created by someone who had followed the line of the water race through father's and neighbouring properties.

Because there was no formal on site consultation with the property owner it is presumed that this was achieved by utilising digital imaging on Google maps.

The water race in question is part of the Arrow Irrigation Race scheme that was formed to support the many well developed and highly productive farms of the early pioneers in the 30's & 40's. Production in the Arrow was greatly increased with the completion of the Arrow irrigation scheme, which was started in 1923 and completed in about the end of 1931. The water for this scheme is taken from the Arrow River and transported by open race and extensive piping throughout the basin. Through out the years this has been a most valuable resource.

7. Today this same system still supports the irrigation of the basin lands in the dry summer months.

The biggest users of the irrigation scheme today are now developers of new enterprises. These are Millbrook Golf Resort and the Hills Golf Club to maintain and manicure their greens and fairways to international standards for the benefit of local golfers and international travellers and sportsmen. Flourishing businesses that command a prominent place in the economy of the district and through out New Zealand. It also serves to supply much needed irrigation water to the many lifestyle residential units within the Wakatipu basin. So back to the ONE Line.

If there had been consultation it would have been apparent that drawing the line on the water race practically cuts father's farm in half.

Excluding Morven Hill and encompassing it in the ONE zone will significantly restrict the rights and expectations of any future activity or diversification of the farm potential or use of neighbouring owners land.

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The proposed ONE Line on Morven Hill is disrespectful of the integrity and knowledge of the few remaining original and longtime local rural residents landowners of the Wakatipu Basin. It is my view that Morven Hill (at a height 750 mtr) should not be considered ONE - Coronet Peak at 5000 ft and the Remarkables at 7000 ft - I can be more accepting that they are outstanding natural landscape.) as they have been shaped by the forces of nature to form the spectacular grandeur we see today. Since submissions were requested in Feb 2018 we have been visited by QLIC's Landscape Architect (Helen Melsop from Auckland) she did an on site visit at "Doonholme" took some photos and reported back to QLIC. At the top of Morven Hill there are already three communication towers - one belongs to the Airway Cooperation to support flight navigation - police communications & telecommunications.

On Coronet Peak & the Remarkables (our grandest ONE) we have two flourishing ski fields boasting the local economy.

9/ through out the district

A district that is constantly faced with the challenges of growth, change and diversity.

I wish to suggest that the nominated commissioners and councillors review the proposed plan wisely and respectfully remove the one line around Moxventhu to allow future generations ~~to utilise~~ ~~the~~ and custodians to utilise their land in what ever direction the future brings to maximise the lands potential in a sensible and sustainable manner.

As the commissioner said "The HORSE HAS BELT - Now we have the ongoing 'stampede' Take those blinkers off, look not only at the Wakatipu basin but our ever expanding governance over the hill to Wanaka and the QLDC's wider boundaries, it people, our community.

From the beginning in the 1860's when our true pioneers, families, true locals, founder fathers, enduring mothers, entrepreneurial men and women who created the building blocks

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and potential for growth <sup>things</sup> to evolve  
it is now our turn for those of us who  
are passionate about our future to  
join with our growing community to  
take stock of the situation, step back  
a little, take a breath and responsibly  
address these matters that  
have been created or to be able to  
make a difference with a positive  
response for a thriving community  
Queenstown is no longer a small town  
it is a "small" "city" and will continue to  
grow

I am proud of my heritage I am  
proud to be a haka tipian, a descendant  
of the early pioneers  
I hope for a prosperous future  
for all.

I thank you for giving me the time  
to have a voice to hopefully make  
a difference.

Sir Todd 18 July 2018.