

**Minutes of a meeting of the Queenstown Lakes District Council Community & Services Committee held in the Council Chambers, 10 Gorge Road on Thursday 8 August 2024 commencing at 10.00am.**

**Present**

Councillor Craig Ferguson (Chair), Councillor Esther Whitehead, Councillor Barry Bruce, Councillor Lisa Guy, Councillor Matt Wong, Councillor Cody Tucker.

**In attendance**

Councillor Melissa White, Mr Kenneth Bailey (General Manager Community Services), Mr Luke Place (Principal Policy Advisor), Ms Carrie Williams (Policy Manager), Mr Anthony Hall (Regulatory Manager), Ms Isabelle Logez (Monitoring, Enforcement and Environmental Manager), Ms Merle Strudthoff (Sport & Recreation Business Operations Coordinator), Ms Jennie Galavazi (Principal Parks Planner), Ms Briana Pringle (Parks & Open Spaces Planning Manager), Miss Sarah Bradey (Democracy Services Advisor), 1 member of the public and no members of the media.

**Declarations of Conflicts of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**Public Forum**

There were no speakers in public forum.

**Matters Lying on the Table**

There were no matters lying on the table.

**Confirmation of Agenda**

**On the motion of Councillor Guy and Councillor Whitehead the Community & Services Committee resolved that the agenda be confirmed without alteration.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Confirmation of Minutes**

**On the motion of Councillor Wong and Councillor Tucker the Community & Services Committee resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 16 May 2024 be confirmed with/without alteration.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**1. Navigation Safety Bylaw**

The report's author was Mr Luke Place (Principal Policy Advisor). Mr Place, Ms Carrie Williams, Mr Anthony Hall and Ms Isabelle Logez presented the report, highlighted Table 1 and took the report as read.

The Chair thanked staff for their work on the Navigation Safety Bylaw and acknowledged the importance of water safety in the district.

Mr Place, Ms Williams, Mr Hall and Ms Logez responded to questions on the governance decision making pathway outlined in the delegations register, whether this bylaw can develop further, why Sunshine Bay was not identified as an existing ski lane, whether an update could be provided on the background for Sunshine Bay, whether any changes were made to the Wilcon Bay ski lanes, whether ski lanes will be available in the Frankton Arm, whether jet skis need to use the ski lanes, whether the consultation timeframe would include primary users of rivers and lakes throughout the summer months, whether the harbour master not having identification would impact enforcement, which other organisations do Council primarily work alongside in this work, why option D on page 22 of the report would not be a preferable option, and why a pontoon for swimming would not be appropriate.

There was discussion on whether the ski lane signs could cause confusion to lake users. Staff explained that an explanatory note on the ski lane signs could be included in the Navigation Safety Bylaw.

Members expressed the need to include summer lake users in the consultation and the importance of consultation. There was discussion on how changes could be distributed and communicated with summer lake users.

Staff commented they are conscious that many changes will be made to ski lanes and staff are open to considering alternative options.

**On the motion of Councillor Bruce and Councillor Wong it was resolved that the Community & Services Committee:**

- 1. Note the contents of this report and;**
- 2. Note the development of a draft QLDC Navigation Safety Bylaw 2024**

**Motion carried unanimously**

**2. Chair's Report**

A report from Chair Ferguson provided the Committee with an update on projects of interest. Deputy Chair Whitehead presented the report and highlighted that the Parks



Team are progressing four reserve management plans in Queenstown and Wānaka, the demolition of 516 Ladies Mile is near completion with contractors due to collect recycling and rubbish over the next two weeks, the concrete slab at the demolition site will be left for community use, a large volume of Long Term Plan submissions has been received, the Community Partnerships team has worked with the community to develop the three year Welcoming Plan for the district, the positive community turnout to the Welcoming Communities event in Queenstown, the Get Creative Community grants and the Creative Community Scheme funding rounds will be added to Council's online application, and that the Queenstown Lakes District Libraries implemented a fine free approach on 1 July 2024 in partnership with Central Otago District Libraries.

It was clarified that the Wānaka Welcoming Communities event will be held on Wednesday 14 August.

The Chair thanked staff.

**On the motion of Councillor Tucker and Councillor Whitehead it was resolved that the Community & Services Committee:**

1. **Note the contents of this report.**

**Motion carried unanimously**

*The meeting concluded at 10.39am.*

**Confirmed as a true and correct record:**

  
CHAIR

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DATE