



11 December 2023

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Sent via email to ██████████

Dear ████████,

Thank you for your request for information held by the Queenstown Lakes District Council (**QLDC**). On 5 December 2023 you requested the following information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (**LGOIMA**):

- a) Confirmation of whether QLDC and/or its advisors have undertaken any 'funding analysis' (or other analysis) to consider the costs of a potential targeted or general rate (under the Local Government Rating Act 2002) for the purposes of the Variation and / or the purposes of addressing affordable housing generally;
- b) Copies of any information (including documents, reports or correspondence) produced by, or for, QLDC regarding the costs of a proposed targeted or general rate for the Variation and / or the purposes of addressing affordable housing generally.

Our response

- a) *Confirmation of whether QLDC and/or its advisors have undertaken any 'funding analysis' (or other analysis) to consider the costs of a potential targeted or general rate (under the Local Government Rating Act 2002) for the purposes of the Variation and / or the purposes of addressing affordable housing generally;*
- Please see the below link for the legal advice that was publicly released dated 7 July 2021 titled Affordable housing – alternative mechanisms

<https://www.qldc.govt.nz/media/bzql05nw/3c-alternative-approaches-to-addressing-housing-affordability.pdf>

- i. This was the advice that was provided to the public.
- ii. The purpose of this advice was to consider mechanisms that QLDC could use to address housing affordability in its district other than inclusionary zoning through its proposed district plan. The advice included consideration of rates, development contributions, bylaws, or partnership with central government.
- iii. This advice did not refer to any other piece of legal advice provided to QLDC.

The 7 July advice was published on the QLDC website along with a range of other information relating to inclusionary zoning and affordable housing in the Queenstown Lakes District. The 7 July advice addressed alternatives to inclusionary zoning. The 7 July advice was published because it was required to form part of the report under section 32 of the RMA. Section 32 RMA requires a territorial authority

to consider alternatives, in this case QLDC was considering alternative legal mechanisms to implement affordable housing controls.

b) Copies of any information (including documents, reports or correspondence) produced by, or for, QLDC regarding the costs of a proposed targeted or general rate for the Variation and / or the purposes of addressing affordable housing generally.

- We do not hold any information in relation to the second part of your request and therefore are unable to provide any response in accordance with section 17(e) of the LGOIMA. Section 17(e) states that the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found:

Council trusts this response answers your request.

Kind Regards,




Official Information Advisor