

## **ATTACHMENT B: RATIONALE SUPPORTING PROPOSED PRIORITISATION**

The principles below have informed the preliminary prioritisation outlined below:

- **Level of alignment with Spatial Plan priorities**  
High = directly relates to 3 or more priority initiatives of the Spatial Plan, Moderate = directly relates to at 1 or 2 priority initiatives of the Spatial Plan, Low = indirectly referenced in the Spatial Plan but not related to specific priority initiative.
- **Impact on ability to fund council infrastructure**  
High = Increases QLDC's ability to fund infrastructure that would otherwise be funded by the ratepayer or potentially would result in more streamlined processes that would decrease costs to QLDC, Low = No impact on QLDC's ability to fund infrastructure it is responsible for delivering or could have a negative impact (e.g. add costs).
- **Certainty of delivery without Regional Deal**  
High = High likelihood that the package could be delivered without the regional deal, Moderate = Some indications that some elements of the package could progress without the Regional Deal, but Regional Deal would ensure this and enable the work to progress at pace, L = Regional Deal is required to progress as it unlikely that package could be delivered without Government support and coordination)
- **Key QLDC strategy alignment (Climate and Biodiversity Plan, Economic Diversification Plan, Destination Management Plan)**  
High = Aligned with at all three key supporting strategies, Moderate = Aligned with two of the three key supporting strategies, Low = Aligned with only one (or none) of the three key supporting strategies.

Outlined below is the initial prioritisation of the packages based on the prioritisation criteria outlined above.

Packages:	Spatial Plan alignment	Council funding impact	Certainty of delivery without regional deal	Other council strategy alignment
1. Transform Transport	High	High	Low	High
2. Capturing Value	High	High	Low	Moderate
3. Electrify Otago Central Lakes	Moderate	Low	Low	High
4. Private Investment, Public Health	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
5. Visitors and Investors	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate

Outlined below is the initial prioritisation of the key components of each package based on the prioritisation criteria outlined above, as well as identification of dependencies between components.

Packages:	Spatial Plan alignment	Council funding impact	Certainty of delivery without regional deal	Other council strategy alignment
<b>1. Transform Transport</b> a. Refresh transport strategy and network design around offline MRT. b. Establish bespoke settings to enable offline MRT. c. Establish alternative funding / financing / ownership / delivery mechanisms for public transport, roading and bridge infrastructure.	<i>Ability to deliver on a is dependent on b and c. While c could be progressed without a and b this would not ensure that alternative mechanisms were focussed on the right projects, so it is not recommended that these are ranked; they must be delivered as a package. Once the transport strategy and network design has been refreshed then individual projects can be prioritised. They have been listed here in order they should be undertaken.</i>			
<b>2. Capturing Value</b> a. Bespoke settings to ensure growth pays for growth b. A local visitor levy, ensuring visitors pay their fair share c. Bespoke settings to enable a pipeline of affordable housing d. Mining royalties to be returned to OCL and reinvested in economic growth	Moderate Moderate Moderate Low	High High N/A Low	Low Low Low Low	Moderate Moderate Moderate Low
<b>3. Electrify Otago Central Lakes</b> <i>Ensuring that energy security is confirmed through network improvements is the most important element. Likelihood of Government being able to influence the relevant settings informed the prioritisation of the three network initiatives:</i> a. Provide streamlined planning and land acquisition pathway for a transmission corridor. b. Establish bespoke settings to allow Queenstown to be treated as part of the Grid c. Require Transpower to undertake additional options analysis for the new Queenstown line	Moderate Moderate Moderate	High - Could reduce costs N/A N/A	Low Low Low	Moderate Moderate Moderate

Packages:	Spatial Plan alignment	Council funding impact	Certainty of delivery without regional deal	Other council strategy alignment
<i>Uptake of solar and other alterative energies is a critical component of our energy resilience but must be building off a base of network supply being secure. Ease of implementation informed the prioritisation of the three solar related initiatives:</i>				
d.Launch the Ratepayer Assisted Scheme for rooftop solar and batteries.	Moderate	Low - Funding required	Low	High
e.Establish bespoke settings to enable innovation in alternative energy generation	Moderate	N/A	Low	High
f.Establish bespoke settings to enable increased uptake of solar	Moderate	N/A	Low	High
<b>4. Private Investment, Public Health</b>				
a. Revised health funding approach to ensure adequate funding for visitors to Queenstown Hospital is provided and baseline funding uses the correct resident population figures.	<i>a is independent of the other elements in that it could occur even if b – d did not progress and is the most important element in ensuring health services of the future are adequately funded. As such this has been given the highest priority.</i> <i>d is dependent on b + c; partnering with the private sector should not be progressed without a comprehensive understanding both the private opportunities, development of new delivery models and the health needs of the sub-region. As such these have been prioritised in the order that they should be done.</i> <i>While a is not directly dependent on any other initiatives, to ensure accurate return on investment informs future investment b – b are dependent on a.</i>			
b.Accelerate the delivery of a comprehensive health needs assessment for the region				
c. Develop integrated private / public healthcare models				
d.Deliver partnered health services based on high priority needs and private opportunities				
<b>5. Visitors and Investors</b>				
<i>No dependencies between these elements have been identified; they could all be delivered independently.</i>				
a. Grow highly productive sectors	Moderate	N/A	Moderate	Moderate
b.Increase total value of the visitor economy	Moderate	N/A	Moderate	Moderate
c. Position OCL as NZ’s investment and business shopfront	Low	N/A	Low	Low
d.Power sustainable tourism through data driven insights	Low	N/A	Moderate	Moderate