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## Minutes

### Meeting of the Glenorchy Community Association

Date - Thursday 5 August 2021

7:30pm , Glenorchy Hall

#### Committee:

- John Glover
- Sonya Porteus
- Mark Hasselman
- Naomi Coates
- Christina Lister
- Brylee Percy
- Jack McBeth.

#### Attendance

Iris Scott  
Alan Temple  
Amanda Hassleman  
Dwayne Terry  
Gillian Terry  
Gareth Thomas  
Dianna Thomson  
Geoffrey Thomson  
Pete Reid  
Tussock  
Trish Fraser  
Bruce Farmer  
Catherine Schuitemaker

#### 1. Introduction & welcome

#### 2. Apologies

**Motion ' that the apologies received be accepted'**

Christina Lister

proposed=John Glover seconded= Sonya Porteous

Carried

#### 3. Minutes of the previous meeting (July 2021).

**Motion 'that the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting'**

proposed=Naomi Coates seconded= Mark Hassleman

carried

#### 4. Secretary's report



### **Inward correspondence**

Companies Office- Financial Statements due  
QLDC - Invitation to regenerative tourism discussion  
QLDC - signed Bible Terrace agreement  
Tilly Hassleman- Forwarding invoice from Aukaha  
QLDC - Community Association Grants 2021-2031 ten year plan  
Christina Lister- GY Native Plant nursery  
QLDC - Invitation to planning and strategy Meeting 15 July  
QLDC - Draft Regional Public Transport Plan  
QLDC - Second round of talks re Regenerative tourism  
Aurora - Regarding Fault 20 June  
QLDC - EOC funding Agreement and Invoicing  
Adrian Bailey - Organization of Sporting event in Glenorchy  
ORC - Response to submission to ORC LTP

### **Outward correspondence**

Mark Hassleman - Companies office request for financials  
QLDC - acceptance of Bible Terrace agreement  
Christina Lister - Notification of members of Native Nursery committee  
Tilly Hassleman - Response regarding Aukaha invoice  
ORC - Eco Fund agreement  
Adrian Bailey - Acknowledgement and suggest getting permission from land owners

### **Motion 'that the inward correspondence be received and the outward correspondence be approved'**

proposed=John Glover seconded=Jack Mcbeth  
carried

### **5. Treasurer's report**

Report will be given at meeting

#### **Motion 'that the treasurer's report be noted'**

Transactional \$14,204.71  
Investments \$17,316.66 and \$15,639.98  
proposed=Mark Hassleman seconded=Jack McBeth  
carried

### **6. Councillor report**

Councillor Report for GCA Meeting 5 August 2021

### **Quick update on current QLDC projects underway:**

Stop bank:



No change to last times comments, still awaiting resource consent:

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- completing minor repairs to 5 oversteep areas of the stopbank to rebuild the toe of the bank and place rock riprap protection
- minor raising of the lowest section of the stopbank near the golf course

When: as soon as Downer resource is available, following issue of consent (consent lodged with ORC, awaiting approval)

**Reservoir and treatment:**

Water Reservoirs:

- The project team is currently updating the application to better clarify the design considerations that have been taken into account.
- A peer review of the landscaping visual assessment will be completed (in approximately 4 weeks).
- **Once application has been processed, the consent is likely to be publicly notified. Date of public notification to be confirmed.**
- An information package will be issued this month to provide more information around why this project is required and what it means for the Glenorchy community.
- Contract will be issued out to tender once consent granted with construction to commence following tender approval.

Water Treatment Plant

- Application to amend the existing designation is currently being drafted, waiting on the Landscape Visual Assessment to be completed to form part of this application.
- Application likely to be submitted to Council in late-August.
- Construction to commence when designation consent is granted and a Contractor has been awarded the works.

**ORC Natural Hazards Update**

**From the ORC's latest HEAD OF THE LAKE newsletter:**

Upcoming natural hazards studies

We are currently planning for two new natural hazards studies to be done on the Head of Lake Wakatipu area. The first of these will be underway soon and completed by the end of 2021. We are now looking for the right consultants with the best expertise to carry out these studies.

Through the studies, we will find out:

- Potential hazard and risks of the area in more detail, so that we have more information at our next community discussion about adaptation options
- How shaking from a major earthquake could affect the area

**What's next?**

This month, researchers from University of Canterbury are planning to trial new LiDAR technologies to map the depth and riverbed characteristics of the Rees River. LiDAR stands for Light Detection and Ranging. It uses light pulses from a laser, often mounted on an aircraft, to scan the earth's surface and generate precise, three-dimensional topographic information.



ORC has done many LiDAR surveys throughout Otago, including the Dart-Rees floodplains. In contrast to our previous surveys, the new LiDAR technology will be able to capture more detailed information of the riverbed below the water surface. At ORC, we are supporting this project by the university as it could help us better understand Otago's rivers in a cost-effective way.

## Consultations

### Consultation on the Representation Review closes tomorrow August 6<sup>th</sup>

This process will determine the Ward structure for voting at the next election – the ultimate decision will be made by the Electoral Commission not QLDC. QLDC will make its recommendation to the Electoral Commission after considering feedback on the draft.

<https://letstalk.qldc.govt.nz/representation-review>

### Consultation on the Draft Freedom Camping Bylaw

The Draft Bylaw proposes that:

1. Freedom camping along the Glenorchy Queenstown Road (on land controlled by QLDC) is prohibited
2. Freedom Camping is prohibited at Kinloch and the Precipice Creek Carpark
3. Freedom Camping is prohibited in the Glenorchy Township EXCEPT along the driveway and in the carpark of the Recreation Reserve
4. Freedom Camping is allowed on the roads beyond Glenorchy at the Head of the Lake

Consultation closes Friday 3 September

<https://letstalk.qldc.govt.nz/freedom-camping-in-the-district>

## 7. Matters arising not covered elsewhere on the agenda

### Gravel consent

The ORC consent we have is for DoC land only. There is the option of trying for a LInz lease further up but erosion and flood risk would be an issue. There is a considerable amount of compliance involved.

Variation of consent would cost \$1750 plus whatever compliance

General feeling of the room is that it's unviable. But ORC and DOC need to be held accountable for flood protection.

Agreed that the GCA will no longer hold the gravel consent but will push ORC and DOC to be accountable for flood protection.

## 8. General business

### 8.1 Report form Aurora regarding last outage June 20th 2021



Aurora sent their apologies as they are not ready to answer all questions. Aim to be present at the September meeting. Following report is from Aurora

### **What's been happening?**

We have launched an internal investigation underway to look at the following:

- A load balancing review of the network in Glenorchy to understand the existing connection of transformer load and recommend opportunities to improve load balance.
- A review of the protection settings applied to the generator to ensure appropriate sensitivities at the genset.
- A protection coordination review for potential network scenarios when operating under generation to inform operations of the expected performance of the existing protection devices on the network, i.e. reclosers.
- Investigation into the refuelling process for the generator and what resources are available in Glenorchy to support an unplanned power outage

### **Review of current status of generation capability:**

- We have installed the equipment we need to locally start the generator and supply the township area of Glenorchy and this occurred during the event;
- However, we are awaiting parts so that we can finalise the automation equipment we need to remotely start the generator;
- Unfortunately, we are not able to supply to the surrounding areas from the existing generator at this time;
- During the outage we attempted to expand the generator use beyond the township so that we could restore supply to more customers but were stopped by load imbalance.

### **Timeline for next steps:**

- Completion of remote start-up capability – October 2021
- Engagement and update at the Glenorchy Community Association – September 2021
- Investigation into opportunities to improve load balance and expand generator coverage – November 2021

I also spoke with QLDC about using their text service. They were of the mind that even though it would be a good idea, they reserve that functionality specifically for council-related or emergency management situations. However, we're reviewing how we proactively manage our emergency communications with council ongoing and they're happy to share Aurora's messages about outages on their social media channels.

Our executive team are meeting with QLDC today – they will be updated on the event and plan for next steps.

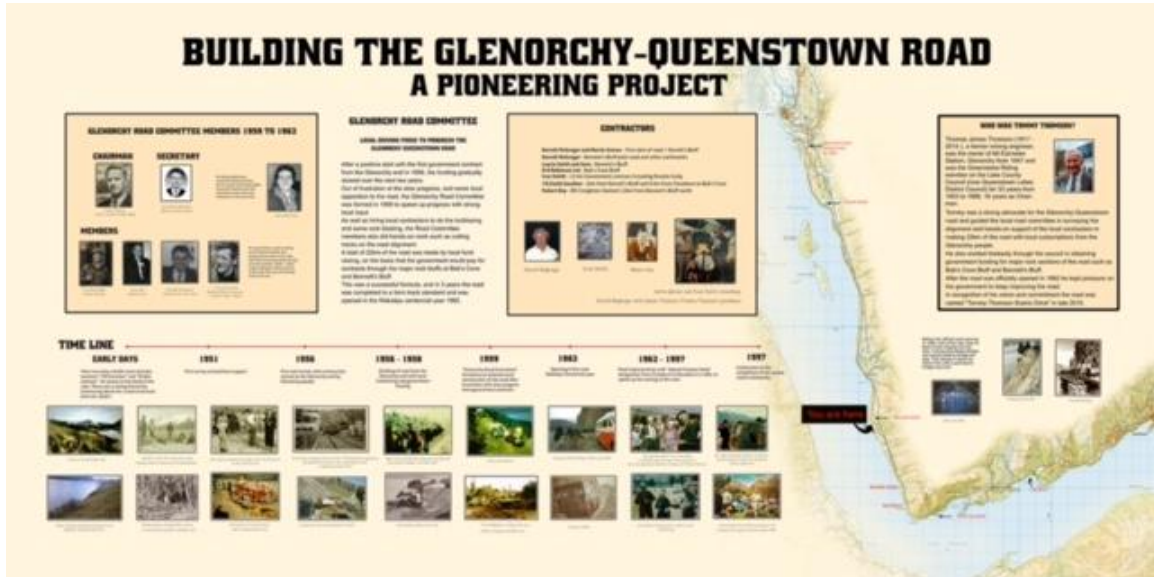
Would it be possible to confirm the date for your September meeting?

In the meantime, if you have anything else you'd like me to look into, please let me know.

Thanks,  
Amy

Question from the room whether the oxburn can be utilised.  
Please send GCA any questions you may want answered by them at the next meeting

### 8.2 Glenorchy Road information panel at Bennetts Bluff



### 8.3 Report from the Routeburn Dart Wildlife Trust and donation request 2020-2021 UPDATE

**Covid:** This was a huge challenge for RDWT as previously secure funders stopped their contributions. The GCA was very generous in donating \$6000 (\$5000 special funding and \$1000 annual contribution) which funded one complete trap check by Rusty. DOC Covid restrictions also impacted the regularity of checking but given the extraordinary circumstances, RDWT has managed very well and will hopefully benefit from the J4N funding opportunities.

**Trapping:** Rusty continues to do a great job of checking the 600 riverbed traps. Trap catches are very much lower than the previous mast year which is a good sign although unfortunately 2 hedgehogs were caught in the Dart traps just below Mt Alfred. This is our first evidence of hedgehogs at the head of the lake and reinforces the value of our trapping lines on the Bucklerburn and the Greenstone Road. Rusty also got Covid funding through LINZ to extend the trapping network up the Rees from Muddy Creek to the Park boundary. The upcoming season is not predicted to be a high mast year. Rusty's tally for the braided river traps was 198 stoats, 33 weasels, 390 rats, 2 hedgehogs and 7 cats.

**Volunteer traplines:** A huge thank you to all the community members who regularly help check traps on the Bucklerburn and the Greenstone Road. Brylee Percy is doing a great job on the Greenstone and Christine Kelly coordinates the Upper Bucklerburn. Huge thanks to Huss, Tussock and Ivan who made a



great job of clearing the track down from the gate to the southern side of the river. It's a great team and the organisation is made simple by everyone's enthusiasm.

**Bird Population Survey:** The survey in the Dart was again postponed by high river levels coinciding with unavailability of expert help when water levels were OK. However a reduced survey of the Dart was done by Helen Clark and volunteers completed the Rees survey. These results will slowly build our understanding of bird populations at the head of the lake. We are also actively looking for more locally based expert help so we can be more proactive when river levels are low.

**Mohua Recovery Group:** Sue Scott has been appointed as the Ngai Tahu representative on this group which is a great voice for mohua at the head of the lake. Unfortunately these populations are at best struggling and mostly declining so a local advocate for them is great. Sue and Amanda Hasselman attended a two day Tiakina Nga Manu workshop in Queenstown which allocates funding for at risk species in NZ. Fortunately our area has been included in this funding and we are awaiting confirmation of the new work program.

**Takahe:** The Takahe Recovery group approached local landowners to see if they would be sympathetic to the release of takahe at the head of the lake if conditions were found to be suitable. The Percys, Thomsons, Scotts and Hasselmans were all enthusiastic and the Recovery Group plus a few lucky locals had a great fly around the area assessing the potential of the landscape. The Recovery Group were impressed by what they found and have had trap cameras in the Greenstone to get an indication of predator levels and will put them in the Rees, Kea Basin, Earnslaw Burn and Temple Peak in the spring. There is still a lot of work to do before any birds would be released but it's great to know the area is a candidate.

**Feral cats:** These continue to be a huge problem as highlighted in Rustys tally of 32 cats in an 8 week trapping program last autumn. Amanda and Huss have caught 20 in two months on a small area of Temple Peak. RDWT is working towards getting our own trapping network so we can minimize the abundance of ferals.

Donation request

**Motion " The GCA will donate \$1000 to the Routeburn Dart Wildlife Trust"**

proposed=John Glover seconded=Jack McBeth  
carried

#### **8.4 Summary of airstrip environment court case**

Still open for appeals

Levels capped at levels of 2019 as a whole, no individual caps. RMP needs to be updated. A hanger is permitted on the designated area and the heli pads will be included in the airstrip designation.

#### **8.5 Proposed Freedom camping bylaw allowing 5 spaces at the rugby club**

Room divided

suggestion Bennetts Bluff, Reserve behind the hall. Enforcement is necessary. Feeling that Rec ground isn't appropriate. The toilets there aren't for public use. Encourage individuals to submit on the council page.

There are adequate areas north of the township for freedom camping eg Diamond lake, Lake sylvan, Kinloch, Glacier Burn.





**Motion GCA to make a submission to freedom camping bylaw review**  
**“Daily enforcement at an appropriate time of areas where camping permitted. The rec ground is not appropriate due to safety issues of sporting events and lack toilets”**

proposed=John Glover seconded=Mark Hassleman  
 carried

**8.6 Review Marina carpark plan as QLDC have been given government funding**  
 attach Images of design circulated.

**8.7 Rocks on berm Lagoon Creek meet Rees**

Council Still awaiting consent for the stop bank.

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Pete Reid

Suggestion of putting a groyne upstream of lagoon creek to take pressure off the confluence, it would also take pressure off the wharf.

Pete in email contact with Downers etc

**8.8 Circulation of glenorchy nursery design.**

Council have given permission so just need to sort license/lease.

Going to include a community food forest.

Meeting Closed 2055

**10. GCA update report**

Ongoing issue/Project	Aim	Lead	Status/Update
Leaves of the Bible	Secure the land as community reserve	Huss	Land now owned by Council. Site visit made, thoughts collected, workshop held. Awaiting funds for landscape plan and boundary marking



Airstrip	Operates as per management plan	John	An environment court hearing was held in February and the matter will be decided by the court. No additional licences being issued in meantime
Pool improvements	Improved user experience	Huss	Council have visited the pool and a list of improvements and priorities for, funding is being drawn up
Waterfront and Marina plan	Gradually implement	John/Huss	The landscape plan has been produced and costed at @\$700k. The project has been submitted for the latest round of TIF funding
Wastewater	Management of wastewater meets needs, rules and community vision		The latest report on ground water testing was presented at the Aug 2020 meeting and is on the website. The GCA need to consider the implications of the report.
Watertank and treatment upgrades	Ensure is fit for purpose and affordable	John	Council propose to spend around \$5 million on upgrades to our water supply. The projects have moved to the consenting stage.
GY flood hazard response	Mitigation of the risks from Rees River flooding		ORC has installed water level gauges in the lagoons and at the Marina, cleared lagoon creek and mounded gravel for temporary flow control. Stop bank to be rock armoured and raised once consent is received. .
Bennetts Bluff viewing area	Work with council to develop safer parking and viewing area at Bennetts bluff	John	Due to open within a week or so.
Town centre plan	Re-designed streetscapes, parking etc, traffic flows.		QLDC have indicated there may be funding available to progress this project.