

Infrastructure Committee

5 June 2025

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Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Infrastructure Committee held on Thursday 5 June 2025 beginning at 10.00am held in the Council Chambers, 10 Gorge Road, Queenstown.

Membership

Councillor Gavin Bartlett (Chairperson), Councillor Lyal Cocks, Councillor Craig Ferguson, Councillor Lisa Guy, Councillor Quentin Smith, Councillor Cody Tucker

Attendees

Councillor Barry Bruce (online), Councillor Melissa White, Tony Avery (Property and Infrastructure General Manager), Matthew Hulscher (Democracy Services Advisor), Carrie Williams (Policy Manager), Roger Davidson (Property Director) Brent Pearce (Strategy & Infrastructure Planning Manager), Simon Leary (Infrastructure Delivery & Engineering Manager), Simon Mason (Infrastructure Operations Manager), Carrie Edgerton (Regulatory Support, Parking and Animal Control Manager), one member of the media

Apologies

There were no apologies.

Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

Matters Lying on the Table

There were no matters lying on the table.

Public Forum

There was no speakers at public forum.

Confirmation of Agenda

It was moved (Councillor Bartlett, Councillor Tucker):

That the Infrastructure Committee resolve that the agenda be confirmed without alteration:

Motion was carried unanimously.

Confirmation of Minutes of the 13 March Meeting

It was moved (Councillor Bartlett, Councillor Tucker):

That the Infrastructure Committee resolve that the minutes of the meeting on 13 March 2025 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Confirmation of Minutes of the 13 May Extraordinary Meeting

It was agreed that the following would be included in the minutes:

Councillors discussed the possibility under the parking strategy to adopt a residential parking permit scheme in the future.

It was moved (Councillor Bartlett, Councillor Guy):

That the Infrastructure Committee resolve that the minutes of the meeting on 13 May 2025 as amended be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Motion was carried unanimously.

1. Retrospective approval of the Queenstown Lakes District Council submission on the Otago Regional Council Draft Regional Public Transport Plan 2025-2035

The purpose of this report was to seek the Infrastructure Committee's retrospective approval of the Queenstown Lakes District Council (QLDC) submission to Otago Regional Council (ORC) on the Draft Regional Public Transport Plan 2025-2035 (RPTP).

Carrie Williams (Policy Manager) presented the item and took the report as read. Tony Avery (Property and Infrastructure General Manager) and Ms Williams responded to questions.

Councillor Ferguson asked if any contemporary data on transport modal shift has been collected. Ms Williams stated that data on modal shift is likely not aggregated in one place currently. Mr Avery also stated that there has been evidence of fluctuating passenger transport use but it is unclear how much of this is due to modal shift. Councillor Smith noted it may be worth revisiting the existing mode shift targets.

Councillor Smith sought clarity on the concept of time of use charging and how that would work in the Queenstown Lakes District. Councillor Smith also expressed concern regarding the reduced funding and use of the ferry services. Mr Avery noted that central government

has signalled changes to legislation which will make it easier to implement time of use or congestion charging. It was also noted that it would be some time before this could potentially be introduced as further analysis is required to assess how it would operate and what its benefits are.

Councillor Guy stated that technological change could be an important part of driving mode shift, and that further consideration needs to be given to the passenger vehicle user group. Concern was also expressed regarding the potential of increase in costs to road users. Councillor Bartlett noted that the submission is about the regional public transport plan and is focussed on public transport driving adequate mode shift over time.

It was moved (Councillor Bartlett, Councillor Ferguson):

That the Infrastructure Committee resolve to:

- 1. Note** the information provided in this report on the Otago Regional Council Draft Regional Public Transport Plan 2025-2035; and
- 2. Approve** retrospectively QLDC's submission to the Otago Regional Council on the Draft Regional Public Transport Plan 2025-2035.

Motion was carried unanimously.

The meeting concluded at 10.15am

Confirmed as a true and correct record:

CHAIR

DATE