

Minutes of a Council Workshop

Tuesday 16, April 2024 at 9.00am
Council Chambers, 10 Gorge Road, Queenstown

Present:	Mayor Glyn Lewers	Councillor Gavin Bartlett (online)
	Councillor Barry Bruce (online)	Councillor Lyal Cocks (online)
	Councillor Niki Gladding (online)	Councillor Quentin Smith (online)
	Councillor Melissa White	Councillor Esther Whitehead (online)
Apologies:	Councillor Craig Ferguson	Councillor Lisa Guy
	Councillor Cody Tucker	Councillor Matt Wong
In attendance:	Anthony Hall	Michelle Morss
	Luke Place	Jon Winterbottom
	Isabelle Logez	Naell Crosby-Roe (online)
	No members of the public	No members of the media

No.	Agenda Item	Actions
1.	<p><u>Navigation Safety Bylaw review</u></p> <p>The purpose of this workshop was to introduce Elected Members to the review process currently underway for the Navigation Safety Bylaw 2018 (the Bylaw). The Bylaw applies to all navigable waters and foreshores in the district, and manages water-based activities to ensure the safe enjoyment of the district's lakes and rivers.</p> <p>The workshop addressed the following matters: the scope of the Bylaw review; the steps undertaken to date; key issues for the review; key takeaways from pre-engagement feedback; preliminary options for addressing key issues. Officers also sought Elected Member feedback to narrow the range of reasonably practicable options ahead of drafting bylaw amendments.</p> <p>Officers spoke to a PowerPoint, invited feedback and responded to questions.</p> <p>Councillors indicated that the bylaw was developing along the right lines.</p>	<p>Councillors supported officers further developing options around potential amendments to processes in various areas including event notification, ski lanes, and the identification of vessels. Officers clarified that the review is at an early stage and that Councillors would have opportunities to provide feedback on options prior to consultation.</p>

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	<p>Councillors discussed potential options around requiring notification for a broader range of events than are currently notified. Officers were also advised to investigate further what was meant by “event” in this context.</p> <p>Councillors had mixed views on whether the current approaches to lifejacket use and ski lanes were effective. Support was expressed for reinstating the temporary restrictions over ski lanes around Lake Wānaka over the Christmas period.</p> <p>There was general support for officers to develop options around a potential requirement for vessels to be identifiable, although the potential practical difficulties of requiring identification were highlighted.</p> <p>There was discussion of concern raised in pre-engagement about people jumping from Albert Town Bridge and officers provided extensive context and background on this matter.</p> <p>There was also discussion of issues relating to jet skis, paddle boarding, the Wave, and speed limits.</p> <p>Attachments: (see workshop agenda) <i>Attachment A: PowerPoint Presentation – Navigation Safety Bylaw 2018 review - Early Elected Member engagement</i></p>	

The workshop concluded at 10.44am