## In the Environment Court at Christchurch

ENV-2019-CHC-097

**Under** the Resource Management Act 1991

And

In the Matter of an appeal under Clause 14(1),

Schedule 1 of the Act

Between BRIDESDALE FARM

**DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED** 

Appellant

And QUEENSTOWN LAKES DISTRICT

COUNCIL

Respondent

## Notice of **Queenstown Airport**Corporation Limited's wish to be party to proceedings

Dated: 5 June 2019

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To: The Registrar
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- Queenstown Airport Corporation Limited (QAC) wishes to be a party to the following appeal against parts of the Respondent's decisions on the Proposed Queenstown Lakes District Plan – Stage 2 (Proposed Plan):
  - (a) Bridesdale Farm Developments Limited v Queenstown Lakes District Council (ENV-2019-CHC-097) [Appeal B Zoning] (Appeal).
- 2. QAC made a submission about the subject matter of the Appeal.
- 3. QAC also has an interest in the Appeal that is greater than the interest that the general public has because QAC owns and operates the nationally significant Queenstown Airport (**Airport**). The relief sought in the Appeal relates to land in proximity to the Airport and may impact QAC's ability to efficiently operate the Airport, and to manage its growth.
- 4. QAC is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991 (**Act**).
- 5. QAC is interested in all of the Appeal.
- 6. QAC is interested in the following particular issues:
  - (a) the proposed amendments to Planning Maps 30 and 30a to rezone land owned by the Appellant from Rural to Medium Density Residential and Open Space and Recreation in so far as the rezonings may enable the establishment and/or intensification of Activities Sensitive to Aircraft Noise (ASAN) and/or other incompatible activities in proximity to the Airport; and
  - (b) any associated amendments to the provisions in Chapter 8 Medium
     Density Residential and Chapter 38 Open Space and Recreation.

- 7. QAC **opposes** the relief sought in the Appeal for the reasons set out in its original and further submissions and its notice of appeal dated 7 May 2019 (ENV-CHC-2019-039). QAC is concerned that the relief sought:
  - (a) may result in the establishment and/or intensification of ASAN and/or other incompatible activities in close proximity to the Airport, which may result in:
    - (i) adverse reverse sensitivity effects on the Airport; and/or
    - (ii) adverse amenity effects due to aircraft noise;
  - (b) may impose undue constraints on legitimate and necessary activities undertaken at the Airport, including the ongoing operation, maintenance, upgrading and development of the Airport;
  - (c) does not represent sound resource management practice, particularly with respect to planning for Regionally Significant Infrastructure, such as the Airport, in the District;
  - (d) fails to achieve the functions of the Respondent under section 31 of the Act in respect of the integrated management of the effects of the use and development of land and physical resources;
  - (e) does not represent an efficient use of resources under section 7(b); and
  - (f) is not the most appropriate way to achieve the objectives of the Proposed Plan and, in turn, the purpose of the Act.
- 8. QAC agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the Appeal.

Dated this 5th day of June 2019

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