

**QLDC Council**

**13 February 2025**

**Report for Agenda Item | Rīpoata moto e Rāraki take [6]**

**Department: Chief Executive**

**Title | Taitara : Chief Executive's Report**

**Purpose of the Report | Te Take mō te Pūroko**

The purpose of this report is to report on items of general interest that do not require a full officer report and to summarise recent meetings of Queenstown Lakes District Council's (QLDC) Standing Committees and the Wānaka-Upper Clutha Community Board.

**Recommendation | Kā Tūtohuka**

That the Council:

1. **Note** the contents of this report;

**Queenstown Airport Deputy Chair of Board of Directors**

2. **Authorise** the Mayor and Chief Executive to sign a shareholder resolution, in accordance with clause 18.1.1 of the Queenstown Airport Corporation Limited constitution (amended 2017), proposing that the Queenstown Airport Corporation Board of Directors elects Mr Mike Tod to the position of Deputy Chair; and
3. **Authorise** the Mayor to make a public announcement about the election and appointment.

**Prepared by:**



**Name:** Mike Theelen

**Title:** Chief Executive

22 January 2025

**Context | Horopaki**

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**Queenstown Airport Deputy Chair Appointment**

1. Queenstown Airport Corporation (QAC) is a Council Controlled Trading Organisation (CCTO) as defined by the Local Government Act 2002 section 6(1). Queenstown Lakes District Council (QLDC) is the majority shareholder with 75.01% shareholding, with Auckland International Airport Limited holding the remaining 24.99% shares.
2. Following the election of the former Deputy Chair, Mr Simon Flood, to the position of Chair at the QAC Annual General Meeting in October 2024 the position of Deputy Chair was left vacant. At its meeting on 19 September 2024, Council resolved that the Chief Executive “invite the Board of Directors for the Queenstown Airport Corporation to consider and propose to the shareholders a Director to be elected to the position of Deputy Chair”.
3. The QAC Board wrote to the Mayor and Chief Executive on Monday 20 January advising that at its December 2024 meeting, the QAC Board resolved to recommend that an existing Director, Mike Tod, be elected as the Deputy Chair.
4. Clause 18.1.1 of QAC’s Constitution (amended 2017) requires the appointment of the Deputy Chair to be subject to an Ordinary Resolution, at either the Annual Meeting or at a Special Meeting. If Council supports this recommendation, it must authorise the Mayor and Chief Executive to sign a shareholder resolution. That authorisation is sought through this report.

**Committee Meetings of the Previous Round**

5. There have been no meetings since the last full Council meeting held on 12 December 2024.

**Attachments | Kā Tāpirihaka**

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A	Letter from Chair of QAC Board of Directors
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20 January 2025

Mayor Glyn Lewers  
Queenstown Lakes District Council  
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CC: Mike Theelen ([mike.theelen@qldc.govt.nz](mailto:mike.theelen@qldc.govt.nz))

**Re: Deputy Chair of Queenstown Airport Corporation Ltd**

Dear Glyn,

At the December 2024 Board Meeting, the Board resolved to recommend to QLDC that Mike Tod be appointed as the Deputy Chair of Queenstown Airport Corporation Limited (QAC), with effect from 1 January 2025.

Clause 18.1.1 of QAC's Constitution requires the appointment of the Deputy Chair to be subject to an Ordinary Resolution, at either the Annual Meeting or at a Special Meeting. In this regard, can we please request that QLDC approve Mike Tod be appointed as Deputy Chair. Once approval is received from QLDC, we will hold a special meeting to formally record the decision.

With best wishes,



Simon Flood  
**Chair**