12 Queenstown Town Centre

P Please note: Variations to parts of this chapter have been decided by Council on 18 March 2021 as part of Stage 3&3b of the PDP. You can view the Stage 3 Decisions and appeals notices on our website. The appeals and section 274 periods for the Stage 1 and 2 Decisions have closed.

12.1 Zone Purpose

Town centres provide a focus for community life, retail, entertainment, business and services. They provide a vital function for serving the needs of residents, and as key destinations for visitors to our District, they provide a diverse range of visitor accommodation and visitor-related businesses. High visitor flows significantly contribute to the vibrancy and economic viability of the centres.

Queenstown will increasingly become a dynamic and vibrant centre with high levels of tourism activity that provides essential visitor-related employment. It serves as the principal administrative centre for the District and offers a wide variety of activities for residents and visitors. It has a range of entertainment options and serves as a base for commercial outdoor recreation activities occurring throughout the Wakatipu Basin. Visitor accommodation is provided within and near to the town centre. Over time, Queenstown town centre will evolve into a higher intensity and high quality urban centre.

Development within the Special Character Area of the Town Centre Zone (shown on the District Plan web mapping application) is required to be consistent with the Queenstown Town Centre Design Guidelines 2015, reflecting the specific character and design attributes of development in this part of the Town Centre. The Entertainment Precinct (also shown on the District Plan web mapping application) has permitted noise thresholds that are higher than other parts of the Town Centre in order to encourage those noisier operations to locate in the most central part of town, where it will have least effect on residential zones.

The Queenstown Waterfront Sub-Zone makes an important contribution to the amenity, vibrancy, and sense of place of the Queenstown Town Centre as a whole.

12.2 Objectives and Policies

12.2.1 Objective - A Town Centre that remains relevant to residents and visitors alike and continues to be the District's principal mixed use centre of retail, commercial, administrative, entertainment, cultural, and tourism activity.

- 12.2.1.1 Enable intensification within the Town Centre through:
 - enabling sites to be entirely covered with built form other than in the Town Centre
 Transition Sub-Zone and in relation to comprehensive developments provided
 identified pedestrian links are retained; and
 - enabling additional building height in some areas provided such intensification is undertaken in accordance with best practice urban design principles and the effects on key public amenity and character attributes are avoided or satisfactorily mitigated.
- 12.2.1.2 Provide for new commercial development opportunities within the Town Centre Transition Sub-Zone that are affordable relative to those in the core of the Town Centre

in order to retain and enhance the diversity of commercial activities within the Town Centre.

- 12.2.1.3 Recognise the important contribution that night time activity makes to the vibrancy and economic prosperity of the Town Centre by enabling restaurant and bar activities to occur subject to appropriate noise controls.
- 12.2.1.4 Enable residential activities and visitor accommodation activities while acknowledging that there will be a lower level of residential amenity due to increased noise and activity resulting from the mix of activities and late night nature of the town centre.
- 12.2.2 Objective Development that achieves high quality urban design outcomes and contributes to the town's character, heritage values and sense of place.

- 12.2.2.1 Require development in the Special Character Area to be consistent with the design outcomes sought by the Queenstown Town Centre Design Guidelines 2015.
- 12.2.2.2 Require development to:
 - a. maintain the human scale of the Town Centre as experienced from street level through building articulation and detailing of the façade, which incorporates elements which break down building mass into smaller units which are recognisably connected to the viewer; and
 - b. contribute to the quality of streets and other public spaces and people's enjoyment of those places; and
 - c. positively respond to the Town Centre's character and contribute to the town's 'sense of place'.
- 12.2.2.3 Control the height and mass of buildings in order to:
 - a. provide a reasonable degree of certainty in terms of the potential building height and mass; or
 - b. retain and provide opportunities to frame important view shafts to the surrounding landscape; or
 - c. maintain sunlight access to public places and to footpaths, with a particular emphasis on retaining solar access into the Special Character Area (as shown on the District Plan web mapping application); or
 - d. minimise the wind tunnel effects of buildings in order to maintain pleasant pedestrian environments.
- 12.2.2.4 Allow buildings to exceed the discretionary height standards where:
 - a. the outcome is of a high-quality design; and
 - b. the cumulative effect of the additional height does not result in additional shading that will progressively degrade the pedestrian environment or enjoyment of public spaces, while accepting that individual developments may increase the shading of public pedestrian space to a minor extent provided this is offset or compensated for by the provision of additional or enhanced public space or a pedestrian link within the development site; and

- c. the increase in height will facilitate the provision of new residential or visitor accommodation activity.
- 12.2.2.5 In respect of buildings that exceed the non-complying height standards:
 - i. Allow buildings other than those on jetties and wharves to exceed the maximum height standards in the following instances:
 - a. where the proposed design is an example of design excellence; and
 - b. where there is an adverse effect on the public environment from the increase in height, the proposed development provides an urban design outcome that has a net benefit to the public environment; and
 - c. where relevant, where building height and bulk have been reduced elsewhere on the site in order to reduce the impact of the proposed building on a listed heritage item.

For the purpose of this policy, urban design outcomes that are beneficial to the public environment include, as appropriate:

- d. provision of sunlight to any public space of prominence or space where people regularly congregate;
- e. provision of a new or retention of an existing uncovered pedestrian link or lane;
- f. where applicable, the restoration and opening up of Horne Creek as part of the public open space network;
- g. provision of high quality, safe public open space;
- h. retention of a view shaft to an identified landscape feature;
- i. minimising wind tunnel effects of buildings in order to maintain pleasant pedestrian environments.
- j. the creation of landmark buildings on key block corners and key view terminations.
- Recognise that the efficient utilisation of land that would otherwise be underdeveloped or developed to a lesser design quality may enable excellent design outcomes.
- 12.2.2.6 Ensure that development within the Special Character Area reflects the general historic subdivision layout and protects and enhances the historic heritage values that contribute to the scale, proportion, character and image of the Town Centre.
- 12.2.2.7 Acknowledge and celebrate our cultural heritage, including incorporating reference to tangata whenua values, in the design of public spaces, where appropriate.
- 12.2.2.8 Acknowledge that parts of the Queenstown Town Centre are susceptible to flood risk and mitigate the effects of this through:
 - a. requiring minimum floor heights to be met; and
 - b. encouraging higher floor levels (of at least RL 312.8 masl) where amenity, mobility, streetscape, and character values are not adversely affected; and

- c. encouraging building design and construction techniques which limit the impact of flooding or ponding in areas of known risk.
- 12.2.2.9 Require high quality comprehensive developments within the Town Centre Transition Sub-Zone and on large sites elsewhere in the Town Centre, which provides primarily for pedestrian links and lanes, open spaces, outdoor dining, and well planned storage and loading/ servicing areas within the development.
- 12.2.3 Objective An increasingly vibrant Town Centre that continues to prosper while maintaining a reasonable level of residential amenity within and beyond the Town Centre Zone.

- 12.2.3.1 Minimise conflicts between the Town Centre and the adjacent residential zone by avoiding high levels of night time noise being generated on the periphery of the Town Centre and controlling the height and design of buildings at the zone boundary.
- 12.2.3.2 Recognise the important contribution that night time activity makes to the vibrancy and economic prosperity of the Town Centre and specifically provide for those activities, while mitigating effects on residential amenity by:
 - a. enabling night time dining and socialising, both indoors and outdoors, to varying degrees throughout the Town Centre; and
 - b. providing for noisier night time activity within the entertainment precinct in order to minimise effects on residential zones adjacent to the Town Centre; and
 - ensuring that the nature and scale of licensed premises located in the Town Centre
 Transition Sub-Zone result in effects that are compatible with adjoining residential
 zones.; and
 - d. enabling activities within the Town Centre Zone that comply with the noise limits; and
 - e. requiring sensitive uses within the Town Centre to mitigate the adverse effects of noise through insulation.
- 12.2.3.3 Enable residential and visitor accommodation activities within the Town Centre while:
 - acknowledging that it will be noisier and more active than in residential zones due to the density, mixed use, and late night nature of the Town Centre and requiring that such sensitive uses are insulated for noise; and
 - b. discouraging residential uses at ground level in those areas where active frontages are particularly important to the vibrancy of the Town Centre; and
 - c. avoiding, or, where this is not possible, mitigating adverse traffic effects from visitor accommodation through encouraging operators to provide guests with alternatives to private car travel, discouraging the provision of onsite car parking, and through the careful location and design of any onsite parking and loading areas; and
 - d. only enabling new residential and visitor accommodation uses within the Town Centre Entertainment Precinct where adequate insulation and mechanical ventilation is installed.

- 12.2.3.4 Avoid the establishment of activities that cause noxious effects that are not appropriate for the Town Centre.
- 12.2.3.5 Ensure that the location and direction of lights in the Town Centre does not cause significant glare to other properties, roads, and public places and promote lighting design that mitigates adverse effects on views of the night sky.
- 12.2.3.6 Recognise the important contribution that sunny open spaces, footpaths, and pedestrian spaces makes to the vibrancy and economic prosperity of the Town Centre
- 12.2.4 Objective A compact Town Centre that is safe and easily accessible for both visitors and residents.

- 12.2.4.1 Encourage a reduction in the dominance of vehicles within the Town Centre and a shift in priority toward providing for public transport, facilitating shared transport, and providing safe and pleasant pedestrian and cycle access to and though the Town Centre.
- 12.2.4.2 Ensure that the Town Centre remains compact, accessible and easily walkable by avoiding outward expansion of the Town Centre Zone. Encourage walking to and within the Town Centre by improving the quality of the pedestrian experience by:
 - a. maintaining and enhancing the existing network of pedestrian linkages and ensuring these are of a high quality;
 - b. requiring new pedestrian linkages in appropriate locations when redevelopment occurs;
 - c. strictly limiting outward expansion of the Town Centre Zone and commercial activity beyond it;
 - d. encouraging the provision of verandas along pedestrian-oriented streets, while acknowledging that verandas may not be appropriate or necessary in applications involving a heritage building; or where no verandas exist on adjoining buildings, and may need to be specifically designed so as to not interfere with kerbside movements of high-sided vehicles;
 - e. promoting and encouraging the maintenance and creation of uncovered pedestrian links and lanes wherever possible, in recognition that these are a key feature of Queenstown character;
 - f. promoting the opening up of Horne Creek wherever possible, in recognition that it is a key visual and pedestrian feature of Queenstown, which contributes significantly to its character; and
 - g. ensuring the cumulative effect of buildings does not result in additional shading that will progressively degrade the pedestrian environment or enjoyment of public spaces, while accepting that individual developments may increase the shading of public pedestrian space to a small extent provided this is offset or compensated for by the provision of additional public space or a pedestrian link within the site.
- 12.2.4.3 Minimise opportunities for anti-social behaviour through incorporating Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles as appropriate in the design of streetscapes, carparking areas, public and semi-public spaces, accessways/ pedestrian links/ lanes, and landscaping.

- 12.2.4.4 Off-street parking is predominantly located at the periphery of the Town Centre in order to limit the impact of vehicles, particularly during periods of peak visitor numbers.
- 12.2.4.5 Plan for future public transport options by considering the needs of public transport services and supporting infrastructure when designing roading improvements or considering applications for wharves, jetties, moorings, and water based transport.
- 12.2.4.6 Encourage visitor accommodation to be located and designed in a manner that minimises traffic issues that may otherwise affect the safety efficiency, and functionality of the roading network, and the safety and amenity of pedestrians and cyclists, particularly in peak periods.
- 12.2.5 Objective Integrated management of the Queenstown Bay land-water interface, the activities at this interface and the establishment of a dynamic and attractive environment that benefits both residents and visitors.

- 12.2.5.1 Encourage the development of an exciting and vibrant waterfront, which maximises the opportunities and attractions inherent in its location and setting as part of the Town Centre.
- 12.2.5.2 Recognise the benefits of an integrated approach to the provision of facilities for water-based activities, including avoiding the adverse congestion effects on the surface of water and the adjoining waterfront of more than one petrol and diesel refuelling facility establishing within the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Subzone.
- 12.2.5.3 Maintain or enhance, where appropriate, the natural qualities of the 'Queenstown beach and gardens foreshore area' and adjoining waters, and amenity values of the foreshore and adjoining waters, recognising in particular, the predominantly unbuilt character of the 'Queenstown beach and gardens foreshore area' (as identified on the District Plan web mapping application) and the important contribution this area makes to providing views to the lake and mountains, pedestrian and cycle connections, water-based commercial recreation activities, and passive recreation opportunities.
- 12.2.5.4 Retain and enhance all the public open space areas adjacent to the waterfront.
- 12.2.5.5 Maximise pedestrian accessibility to and along the waterfront for the enjoyment of the physical setting by the community and visitors.
- 12.2.5.6 Provide for structures (including moorings, jetties and wharves) within the Queenstown Bay waterfront area subject to complying with bulk, location and appearance controls (if specified) and maintaining or enhancing the existing predominantly open character, a continuous pedestrian waterfront connection, and navigational safety.
- 12.2.5.7 Recognise the contribution that wharves and jetties within the 'active frontage area' make to supporting recreation, tourism, transport, and general public uses of the surface of the lake activities.
- 12.2.5.8 Require that buildings on wharves and jetties be located and designed in a manner that minimises impacts on views from waterfront public spaces to the lake, gardens and mountains beyond, and maintains and encourages public access onto the wharves.
- 12.2.5.9 Provide for public water ferry services within the Queenstown Town Centre waterfront Subzone.

- 12.2.5.10 Manage commercial surface of water activities within the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Subzone in a manner that ensures navigational safety, having particular regard to compatibility with existing activities.
- 12.2.5.11 Enable the use of wharves and jetties within the 'active frontage area' to support commercial activities and public transport and recognise that the active frontage area is expected to continue to provide for this function.

12.3 Other Provisions and Rules

12.3.1 District Wide

Attention is drawn to the following District wide chapters.

1 Introduction	2 Definitions	3 Strategic Direction
4 Urban Development	5 Tangata whenua	6 Landscapes and Rural Character
25 Earthworks	26 Historic Heritage	27 Subdivision
28 Natural Hazards	29 Transport	30 Energy and utilities
31 Signs	32 Protected Trees	33 Indigenous Vegetation
34 Wilding Exotic Trees	35 Temporary Activities and Relocated Buildings	36 Noise
37 Designations	District Plan web mapping application	

12.3.2 Interpreting and Applying the Rule

- 12.3.2.1 A permitted activity must comply with all the rules listed in the activity and standards tables.
- 12.3.2.2 Where an activity does not comply with a Standard listed in the Standards table, the activity status identified by the 'Non-Compliance Status' column shall apply.
- 12.3.2.3 Where an activity breaches more than one Standard, the most restrictive status shall apply to the Activity.
- 12.3.2.4 The status of any Plantation Forestry will be determined by the Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Plantation Forestry) Regulations 2017.
- 12.3.2.5 The following abbreviations are used within this Chapter.

Р	Permitted	С	Controlled	RD	Restricted Discretionary
D	Discretionary	NC	Non-Complying	PR	Prohibited

12.3.2.5A Compliance with the New Zealand Electrical Code of Practice for Electrical Safe Distances ("NZECP34:2001") is mandatory under the Electricity Act 1992. All activities, such as buildings, earthworks and conductive fences regulated by NZECP34: 2001. including any activities that are otherwise permitted by the District Plan must comply with this legislation. Chapter 30 Energy and Utilities part 30.3.3.2.c has additional information in relation to activities and obligations under NZECP34:2001.

12.4 Rules - Activities

	Activities located in the Queenstown Town Centre Zone	Activity status
12.4.1	Activities which are not listed in this table and comply with all standards	Р
12.4.2	Minor repairs and maintenance of existing wharves and jetties and minor alterations to existing wharves and jetties that are required for operational reasons and do not restrict public access to the wharf or jetty.	
12.4.3	Visitor Accommodation	С
	Control is reserved to:	
	a. the location, provision, and screening of access and parking, traffic generation, and travel demand management, with a view to maintaining the safety and efficiency of the roading network, and minimising private vehicle movements to/ from the accommodation; ensuring that where onsite parking is provided it is located or screened such that it does not adversely affect the streetscape or pedestrian amenity; and promoting the provision of safe and efficient loading zones for buses;	
	b. landscaping;	
	c. the location, nature and scale of visitor accommodation and ancillary activities relative to one another within the site and relative to neighbouring uses; and	
	d. where the site adjoins a residential zone:	
	i. noise generation and methods of mitigation;	
	ii. hours of operation, in respect of ancillary activities.	
12.4.4	Commercial Activities within the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Subzone (including those that are carried out on a wharf or jetty) except for those commercial activities on the surface of water that are provided for as discretionary activities pursuant to Rule 12.4.11. Control is reserved to:	С
	a. the management of the volume, timing and safety of additional traffic generation from the activity within or adjacent to the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Subzone;	

	Activities located in the Queenstown Town Centre Zone	Activity status
	b. the location and design of access and loading areas in order to ensure safe and efficient movement of pedestrians, cyclists, and vehicles; and	
	c. the erection of temporary structures and the temporary or permanent outdoor storage of equipment in terms of:	
	i. any adverse effect on visual amenity and on pedestrian or vehicle movement; and	
	ii. the extent to which a comprehensive approach has been taken to providing for such areas within the Sub-Zone.	
12.4.5	Licensed Premises	С
	12.4.5.1 Other than in the Town Centre Transition Sub-Zone premises licensed for the consumption of liquor on the premises between the hours of 11pm and 8am, provided that this rule shall not apply to the sale of liquor:	
	a. to any person who is residing (permanently or temporarily) on the premises; and/or	
	b. to any person who is present on the premises for the purpose of dining up until 12am.	
	12.4.5.2 Premises within the Town Centre Transition Sub-Zone licensed for the consumption of liquor on the premises between the hours of 6pm and 11pm provided that this rule shall not apply to the sale of liquor:	
	a. to any person who is residing (permanently or temporarily) on the premises; and/or	
	b. to any person who is present on the premises for the purpose of dining up until 12am.	
	In relation to both 12.4.5.1 and 12.4.5.2 above, control is reserved to:	
	a. the scale of the activity;	
	b. effects on amenity (including that of adjoining residential zones and public reserves);	
	c. the provision of screening and/ or buffer areas between the site and adjoining residential zones;	
	d. the configuration of activities within the building and site (e.g. outdoor seating, entrances); and	
	e. noise issues, and hours of operation.	
12.4.6	Licensed Premises within the Town Centre Transition Sub-Zone	RD

	Activities loca	ated in the Queenstown Town Centre Zone	Activity status
		hin the Town Centre Transition Sub-Zone licensed for the of liquor on the premises between the hours of 11 pm and 8	
	This rule shall	not apply to the sale of liquor:	
	•	y person who is residing (permanently or temporarily) on the ses; and/or	
		y person who is present on the premises for the purpose of up until 12 am.	
	Discretion is r	estricted to:	
	a. the sc	ale of the activity;	
		s on amenity (including that of adjoining residential zones and reserves);	
	-	rovision of screening and/ or buffer areas between the site and ning residential zones;	
		onfiguration of activities within the building and site (e.g. or seating, entrances); and	
	e. noise	issues, and hours of operation.	
12.4.7	temporary 'po	ept wharves and jetties, buildings on wharves and jetties, op up' buildings that are in place for no longer than 6 months, nt and temporary outdoor art installations	RD
	Buildings, incl the building/	uding verandas, and any pedestrian link provided as part of development.	
	Discretion is r	estricted to:	
	Area	stency with the Queenstown Town Centre Special Character Design Guidelines (2015), (noting that the guidelines apply o the Special Character Area);	
	b. exterr	nal appearance, including materials and colours;	
	c. signag	ge platforms;	
	d. lightir	ng;	
		mpact of the building on the streetscape, heritage values, atibility with adjoining buildings, the relationship to adjoining das;	
		ontribution the building makes to the safety of the Town e through adherence to CPTED principles;	

	Activit	ies located in the Queenstown Town Centre Zone	Activity status
	g.	the contribution the building makes to pedestrian flows and linkages and to enabling the unobstructed kerbside movement of high-sided vehicles where applicable;	
	h.	the provision of active street frontages and, where relevant, outdoor dining/patronage opportunities; and	
	i. where a site is subject to any natural hazard and the proposal results in an increase in gross floor area:		
		 the nature and degree of risk the hazard(s) pose to people and property; 	
		ii. whether the proposal will alter the risk to any site; and	
		iii. the extent to which such risk can be avoided or sufficiently mitigated.	
	j.	Where Electricity Sub-transmission Infrastructure or Significant Electricity Distribution Infrastructure as shown on the District Plan web mapping application is located within the adjacent road, any adverse effects on that infrastructure.	
12.4.8		res and jetties within the 'Active Frontage Area' of the Queenstown aterfront Subzone	
	12.4.8.	1 Wharves and Jetties within the 'active frontage area' of the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Subzone as shown on the the District Plan web mapping application.	RD
		tion is restricted to the effects (including cumulative effects) relating following:	
	a.	external appearance, including materials and colours and any effects on the character and amenity of the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Subzone;	
	b.	the scale, location, and orientation of wharves and jetties in relation to the shoreline and existing jetties and the extent to which it affects views from the waterfront public spaces to the lake, gardens, and the mountains beyond; the character and amenity of the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Subzone; and navigational safety;	
	c.	lighting;	
	d.	people's safety and adherence to CPTED principles;	
	e.	navigational safety;	
	f.	any proposed outdoor storage or street furniture located on the structure and the extent to which it is integrated into the design;	
	g.	the use of public areas around the shoreline, including maintaining or enhancing the provision of a continuous public waterfront	

Activi	ties located in the Queenstown Town Centre Zone	Activity status
	walkway from Horne Creek to St Omer Park and public access to the lake;	
h.	any proposed boat refuelling, bilge pumping, and sewage pumping facilities as part of the proposed jetty or wharf;	
i.	the values of wāhi tūpuna.	
12.4.8	Public water ferry services (surface of water activity only) within the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Subzone as shown on the District Plan web mapping application.	RD
Discre	etion is restricted to:	
a.	Effects on the transport network.	
b.	Effects on navigational safety.	
c.	Location, scale and, intensity of the activity.	
d.	Effects on landscape and amenity values.	
e.	Congestion and safety, including effects on other commercial operators and recreational users.	
f.	Waste disposal.	
g.	Cumulative effects.	

	Activities located in the Queenstown Town Centre Zone	Activity status
12.4.9	Buildings that meet specified criteria on jetties and wharves within the 'active frontage area' of the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Subzone	RD
	Buildings on jetties and wharves within the 'active frontage area' of the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Subzone for the purpose of carrying out activities with a functional need associated with surface of water activities less than 15m² in area and no more than 3m in height above the floor level of the jetty or wharf and limited to one building per jetty or wharf.	
	Discretion is restricted to:	
	 the extent to which design, location, scale, height and external appearance integrates with the use, enjoyment, and character of waterfront environment; 	
	b. the impact on pedestrian flows;	
	c. lighting;	
	d. signage platforms;	
	e. the cumulative effects of multiple buildings on jetties and wharves;	
	f. views from the waterfront public spaces to the lake, gardens, and the mountains beyond;	
	g. outdoor storage;	
	h. the contribution that the building makes to the safety of the town centre through adherence to the CPTED principles; and	
	i. the contribution that the building makes to the vibrancy of the waterfront and to facilitating public access to the water.	
12.4.10	Wharves and jetties, and buildings on wharves and jetties within the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Subzone	NC
	Wharves and Jetties within the 'Queenstown beach and gardens foreshore	
	area' of the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Subzone as shown on the District Plan web mapping application.	
	Any buildings located on Wharves and Jetties within the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Subzone, except buildings provided for under rule 12.4.9 (restricted discretionary buildings on wharves).	
12.4.11	Commercial surface of water activities within the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Subzone	
	Commercial Surface of Water Activities within the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Subzone as shown on the District Plan web mapping application.	
	The Council's discretion is unlimited but it shall consider the extent to which the proposal will:	

	Activities located in the Queenstown Town Centre Zone	Activity status
	 a. create an exciting and vibrant waterfront, which maximises the opportunities and attractions inherent in a visitor town situated on a lakeshore; 	
	 maximise the ability to cater for commercial boating activities to an extent compatible with maintenance of environmental standards and the nature and scale of existing activities; 	
	c. maintain or enhance public access to the lake and amenity values including character;	
	d. affect navigation and people's safety, having particular regard to compatibility with existing activities; and	
	e. affect the values of wāhi tūpuna.	
12.4.12	Moorings within the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Subzone	RD
	Moorings within the 'Queenstown beach and gardens foreshore area' of the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Subzone (as shown on the District Plan web mapping application).	
	Discretion is restricted to:	
	 a. whether they are dominant or obtrusive elements in the shore scape or lake view, particularly when viewed from any public place, including whether they are situated in natural bays and not headlands; 	
	b. whether the structure causes an impediment to craft manoeuvring and using shore waters;	
	c. the degree to which the structure will diminish the recreational experience of people using public areas around the shoreline;	
	 the effects associated with congestion and clutter around the shoreline, including whether the structure contributes to an adverse cumulative effect; 	
	e. whether the structure will be used by a number and range of people and craft, including the general public; and	
	f. the degree to which the structure would be compatible with landscape and amenity values, including colour, materials, design.	
12.4.13	The use of buildings or boating craft for accommodation within the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Sub-zone	
	Buildings or boating craft within the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Subzone if used for visitor, residential or overnight accommodation.	
12.4.14	Industrial Activities at ground floor level	NC

	Activities located in the Queenstown Town Centre Zone	Activity status
	Note: Specific industrial activities are listed separately below as prohibited activities.	
12.4.15	Factory Farming	PR
12.4.16	Forestry activities, except for Plantation Forestry where the Resource Management (National Environmental Standard for Plantation Forestry) Regulation 2017 prevails.	PR
12.4.17	Mining Activities	PR
12.4.18	Airports other than the use of land and water for emergency landings, rescues and firefighting.	PR
12.4.19	Panelbeating, spray painting, motor vehicle repair or dismantling, fibreglassing, sheet metal work, bottle or scrap storage, motorbody building.	PR
12.4.20	Fish or meat processing (excluding that which is ancillary to a retail premises such as a butcher, fishmonger or supermarket).	PR
12.4.21	Any activity requiring an Offensive Trade Licence under the Health Act 1956	PR
12.4.22	Cemeteries and Crematoria	PR

12.5 Rules - Standards

	Town Centre Zone			compliance status
12.5.1	Transition Sub-Zone and in relation to		RD Discretion is restricted to:	
	12.5.1.1	In the Town Centre Transition Sub-Zone or when undertaking a comprehensive development (as defined), the maximum building coverage shall be 75%.	a.	the adequate provision of cycle, vehicle, and pedestrian links and lanes, open spaces, outdoor dining opportunities;
		Advice Note: While there is no maximum coverage rule elsewhere in the Town	b.	the adequate provision of storage and loading/ servicing areas;

	Standards Town Cent	for activities located in the Queenstown	Non-	compliance status
	12.5.1.2	Centre, this does not suggest that 100% building coverage is necessarily anticipated on all sites as outdoor storage areas, and pedestrian linkages might be required. Any application for building within the Town Centre Transition Sub-Zone or for a comprehensive development (as defined) shall include a Comprehensive Development Plan that covers the entire development area.	c.	the provision of open space within the site, for outdoor dining or other purposes; the site layout and location of buildings, public access to the buildings, and landscaping, particularly in relation to how the layout of buildings and open space interfaces with the street edge and any adjoining public places and how it protects and provides for view shafts, taking into account the need for active street frontages, compatibility with the character and scale of nearby residential zones, listed heritage items, and heritage precincts, and the amenity and safety of adjoining public spaces and designated sites, including shading and wind effects.
12.5.2	Waste and	Recycling Storage Space	RD	
	12.5.2.1 12.5.2.2 12.5.2.3	Offices shall provide a minimum of 2.6m³ of waste and recycling storage (bin capacity) and minimum 8m² floor area for every 1,000m² gross floor space, or part thereof. Retail activities shall provide a minimum of 5m³ of waste and recycling storage (bin capacity) and minimum 15m² floor area for every 1,000m² gross floor space, or part thereof. Food and beverage outlets shall provide a minimum of 1.5m³ (bin capacity) and 5m² floor area of waste and recycling storage per 20 dining spaces, or part thereof. Residential and Visitor Accommodation activities shall provide a minimum of 80 litres of waste and recycling storage per bedroom, or part thereof.	Discr a.	the adequacy of the area, dimensions, design, and location of the space allocated, such that it is of an adequate size, can be easily cleaned, and is accessible to the waste collection contractor, such that it need not be put out on the kerb for collection. The storage area needs to be designed around the type(s) of bin to be used to provide a practicable arrangement. The area needs to be easily cleaned and sanitised, potentially including a foul floor gully trap for wash down and spills of waste.
12.5.3	Storage are screened for sites and a	eas shall be situated within a building or rom view from all public places, adjoining adjoining zones, except this standard does the storage of goods on a wharf for up to	RD Discr a.	etion is restricted to: effects on visual amenity;

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		ours prior to or following being transported	b. consistency with the character of the locality;		
			c. effects on human safety in terms of CPTED principles; and		
			d. whether pedestrian and vehicle access is compromised.		
12.5.4	Verandas		RD		
	12.5.4.1	Every new, reconstructed or altered building (excluding repainting) with frontage to the roads listed below shall include a veranda or other means of weather protection.	Discretion is restricted to: a. consistency of the proposal and the Queenstown Town Centre Design Guidelines (2015) where applicable; and		
		a. Shotover Street (Stanley Street to Hay Street);	b. effects on pedestrian amenity, the human scale of the built form, and		
		b. Beach Street;	on historic heritage values.		
		c. Rees Street;			
		d. Camp Street (Church Street to Man Street);			
		e. Brecon Street (Man Street to Shotover Street);			
		f. Church Street (north west side);			
		g. Queenstown Mall (Ballarat Street);			
		h. Athol Street;			
		i. Stanley Street (Coronation Drive to Memorial Street).			
	12.5.4.2	Verandas shall be no higher than 3m above pavement level and no verandas on the north side of a public place or road shall extend over that space by more than 2m and those verandas on the south side of roads shall not extend over the space by more than 3m.			
12.5.5	Residentia	Activities	RD		
	12.5.5.1	Residential activities shall not be situated at ground level in any building with frontage to the following roads:	Discretion is restricted to: a. effects on the ability to achieve active frontages along these streets;		
		 Stanley Street (Coronation Drive to Memorial Street); 			

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	b.		b.	effects on surrounding buildings and activities; and	
	c.	Queenstown Mall (Ballarat Street);	c.	the quality of the living environment within the building.	
	d.	Church Street;		C	
	e.	Marine Parade (north of Church Street);			
	f.	Beach Street;			
	g.	Rees Street;			
	h.	Shotover Street;			
	i.	Brecon Street;			
	j.	Athol Street;			
	k.	Duke Street.			
12.5.6	Flood Risk		RD		
		ater than 20m² with a ground floor level	Discre	etion is restricted to:	
	less than RL 312.0 masl shall be relocated to a site, or constructed on a site, within this zone.			the level of risk from flooding and whether the risk can be appropriately avoided or mitigated; and	
			b.	the extent to which the construction of the building will result in the increased vulnerability of other sites to flooding.	
12.5.7	Provision of Pe	destrian Links and Lanes	RD		
	ar in sh	I new buildings and building developments located on sites which e identified for pedestrian links or lanes Figure 1 (at the end of this chapter) all provide a ground level pedestrian k or lane in the general location shown.	part	te the required link is not proposed as of development, discretion is cted to: the adverse effects on the pedestrian environment, connectivity, legibility, and Town	
	by du co de	here a pedestrian link or lane required Rule 12.5.7.1 is open to the public gring retailing hours the Council will nsider off-setting any such area against evelopment levies and car parking quirements.		Centre character from not providing the link.	
		here an existing lane or link identified in gure 1 is:			

a. uncovered then, as part of any new building or redevelopment of the site, it shall: i. remain uncovered; and	
i remain uncovered; and	
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ii. be a minimum of 4.0m wide; and	
iii. include an unobstructed accessible route at least 2.0m wide, with the remainder incorporating open space, outdoor dining or the display of goods; and	
b. covered then it may remain covered and shall be at least 1.8 m wide, with an average minimum width of 2.5m.	
12.5.7.4 In all cases, lanes and links shall be open to the public during all retailing hours.	
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1. Shotover St / Beach St, Lot 2 DP 11098, Lot 3 DP11098;	
Trustbank Arcade (Shotover St/Beach St), Lot 1 DP Tn of Queenstown, Pt Sec 23 Bk VI Tn of Queenstown;	
3. Plaza Arcade, Shotover St/Beach Lot 1 DP 17661;	
4. Cow Lane/Beach Street, Sec 30 Blk I Tn of Queenstown;	
5. Ballarat St/Searle Lane, Sec 22 & Pt Sec 23 BLK II Tn Queenstown,	
6. Ballarat Street/Searle Lane and part of Searle Lane land parcel;	
7. Searle Lane/Church St, Lot 1 DP 27486;	
8. Church St/Earl St, Lot 100 DP 303504	
9. Camp/ Stanley St, post office precinct, Lot 1 DP 416867 and Lot 2 DP 416867;	
10. Camp/ Athol St, Lot 1 DP 20875.	

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		o/Athol St, Section 18 Block V Tn of enstown.		
	Advice Notes:			
	oper this	re an uncovered pedestrian link or lane (i.e. n to the sky) is provided in accordance with rule, additional building height may be opriate pursuant to Policies 12.2.2.4 and .2.5;		
	the deve bette	re an alternative link is proposed as part of application which is not on the elopment site but achieves the same or a er outcome then this is likely to be idered appropriate.		
12.5.8	Discretiona	ary Building Height in Precinct 1, Precinct	RD	
		nct 2, Precinct 4 and Precinct 5	Disa	ration is rostricted to
	For the pu	urpose of this rule, refer to the Height	DISCI	retion is restricted to:
	· ·	ap (Figure 2 at the end of this Chapter).	a.	the effect of any additional height
	12 5 0 1	Mithin Dragingt 1 and Dragingt 1 (A) the		on the urban form of the Town
	12.5.8.1	Within Precinct 1 and Precinct 1 (A) the maximum height shall be 12m: and		Centre and the character of the height precinct within which it is located. The Council will consider:
	12.5.8.2	Within Precinct 1 (A) no part of any building shall protrude through a recession line inclined towards the site at an angle of 45 degrees commencing from a line 10m above the street boundary.		 i. the extent to which the proposed building design responds sensitively to difference in height, scale and mass between the
	12.5.8.3 12.5.8.4	Within Precinct 2, no part of any building shall protrude through a recession line inclined towards the site at an angle of 30 degrees commencing from a line 6.5m above any street boundary. Within Precinct 4, no part of any building		proposal and existing buildings on adjacent sites and with buildings in the wider height precinct, in terms of use of materials, façade articulation and roof forms; and
		shall protrude through a recession line inclined towards the site at an angle of 45 degrees commencing from a line 10m above the street boundary. This rule does not apply to the Ballarat Street and Stanley Street boundaries of Lot 1 DP 416867, Lot 2 DP 416867 or Lot 3 DP 416867 where the covered and uncovered portions of Pedestrian Link 11 identified on Figure 1 are retained in accordance with Rule 12.5.7.		 ii. the effect on human scale and character as a result of proposed articulation of the façade, the roofline, and the roofscape; and iii. the amenity of surrounding streets, lanes, footpaths and other public spaces, including the effect on sunlight access to public spaces and
	12.5.8.5	Within Precinct 5, the street front parapet shall be between 7.5 and 8.5m in height and no part of any building shall protrude		footpaths; the provision of

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	through a recession line inclined tow the site at an angle of 45 deg commencing from a line 7.5m above street boundary.	rees		iv.	public space and pedestrian links; and the opportunity to establish landmark buildings on key sites, such as block corners and key view terminations; and
			b.	publi	orotection or enhancement of c views of Lake Wakatipu or of of the following peaks:
				i.	Bowen Peak;
				ii.	Walter Peak;
				iii.	Cecil Peak;
				iv.	Bobs Peak;
				٧.	Queenstown Hill;
				vi.	The Remarkables Range (limited to views of Single and Double Cone); and
				vii.	effects on any adjacent Residential Zone; and
				viii.	the historic heritage value of any adjacent heritage item/ precinct and whether it acknowledges and respects the scale and form of this heritage item/ precinct.
12.5.9	Maximum building and façade height		NC		
	For the purpose of this rule, refer to the He Precinct Map (Figure 2 at the end of this Chapter).	_			
	12.5.9.1 In Height Precinct 1 Precinct 1 (A) Precinct 2, subject to sub-clauses a below, the maximum absolute he limits shall be as follows:	-d			
	i. 15m on Secs 4-5 Blk Queenstown Tn (48-50 Beach S	Xv St);			
	ii. 15.5m in Precinct 1(A) and in (iv);	n P1			
	iii. 14m elsewhere.				

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and	
 a. throughout the precinct, the building shall contain no more than 4 storeys excluding basements; 	
b. in addition, buildings within the block bound by Ballarat, Beetham, and Stanley streets as identified on the Height Precinct Map shall not protrude through a horizontal plane drawn at 7m above any point along the north-eastern zone boundary of this block, as illustrated in the below diagram;	
7m above the zone boundary 14m above ground leve Allowable building envelope	
c. in addition, on Secs 4-5 Blk Xv Queenstown Tn, (48-50 Beach Street) no part of any building shall protrude through a recession line inclined towards the site at an angle of 45 degrees commencing from a line 12m above any boundary;	
d. in addition, buildings within that part of the block bound by Man, Brecon, Shotover, and Hay streets shown on the Height Precinct Map as area P1 (i) shall not protrude through a horizontal plane drawn at 330.1 masl; that part of the block shown as P1 (ii), through a horizontal plane drawn at 327.1 masl; and that part of the block shown as P1 (iii) through a horizontal plane drawn at 335.1 masl.	
12.5.9.2 In Height Precinct 3 (lower Beach St to Marine Parade and the Earl/ Church Street block) the maximum height shall be 8m and the street front parapet of buildings shall be between 7.5m and 8.5m and may protrude through the height plane.	

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	12.5.9.3	For any buildings located on a wharf or jetty, the maximum height shall be 4 m above RL 312.0 masl.
	12.5.9.4	In Height Precinct 7 (Man Street):
		a. in Area A shown on the Height Precinct Map, the maximum height shall be 11m above RL 327.1 masl.
		b. in Area B the maximum height shall be 14m above RL 327.1 masl;
		c. in Viewshaft C the maximum height shall be RL 327.1 masl (i.e. no building is permitted above the existing structure);
		d. in Viewshaft D, the maximum height shall be 3 m above RL 327.6masl.
	12.5.9.5	For all other sites within the Town Centre Zone, the maximum height shall be 12m and, in addition, the following shall apply:
		a. in Height Precinct 6 (land bound by Man, Duke and Brecon streets):
		i. no building shall protrude through a horizontal plane drawn at RL 332.20 masl except that decorative parapets may encroach beyond this by a maximum of up to 0.9 metre. This rule shall not apply to any lift tower within a visitor accommodation development in this area, which exceeds the maximum height permitted for buildings by 1m or less; and
		ii. no part of any building shall protrude through a recession line inclined towards the site at an angle of 45° commencing from a line 10m above the street boundary.
12.5.10	Noise	NC

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12.5.1		
	a. Daytime (0800 to 2200hrs) 60 dB L _{Aeq(15 min)}	
	b. Night-time (2200 to 0800hrs) 50 dB L _{Aeq(15 min)}	
	c. Night-time (2200 to 0800hrs) 75 dB L _{AFmax}	
	sured in accordance with NZS 6801:2008 and sed in accordance with NZS 6802:2008.	
12.5.1	20.2 Sound from activities in the Town Centre Zone and Town Centre Transition Sub- Zone (excluding sound from the sources specified in rules 12.5.10.3 and 12.5.10.4 below) which is received in another zone shall comply with the noise limits set for the zone the sound is received in.	
12.5.1	10.3 within the Town Centre Zone, excluding the Town Centre Transition Sub-Zone sound* from music shall not exceed the following limits:	
	a. 60 dB L _{Aeq(5 min)} at any point within any other site in the Entertainment Precinct;	
	b. at any point within any other site outside the Entertainment Precinct, other than as allowed for in c.:	
	i. daytime (0800 to 0100 hrs) 55 dB L L _{Aeq(5 min)}	
	ii. late night (0100 to 0800 hrs) 50 dB L _{Aeq(5 min)} ; and	
	c. 55 dB L _{aeg (5 min)} at any point along the eastern boundary of Searle Lane (excluding any frontage south of Lot 1 DP 27486)	
	sured in accordance with NZS 6801:2008 and sed in accordance with NZS 6802:2008, and	

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	any special audible characteristics and
duration ad	
12.5.10.4	within the Town Centre Zone, excluding the Town Centre Transition Sub-Zone sound* from voices shall not exceed the following limits:
	a. 65 dB L _{Aeq(15 min)} at any point within any other site in the Entertainment Precinct;
	b. at any point within any other site outside the Entertainment Precinct, other than as allow for in c.:
	i. daytime (0800 to 0100 hrs) 60 dB L _{Aeq(15 min)}
	ii. late night (0100 to 0800 hrs) 50 dB L _{Aeq(15 min);} and
	c. 60 dB L _{aeg (15 min)} at any point along the eastern boundary of Searle Lane (excluding any frontage south of Lot 1 DP 27486)
	in accordance with NZS 6801:2008 and accordance with NZS 6802:2008.
12.5.10.5	within the Town Centre Zone, excluding the Town Centre Transition Sub-Zone sound* from any loudspeaker outside a building shall not exceed 75 dB L _{Aeq(5 min)} measured at 0.6 metres from the loudspeaker.
assessed in	d in accordance with NZS 6801:2008 and accordance with NZS 6802:2008, excluding all audible characteristics and duration is.
Exemptions	s from Rule 12.5.10:
sha sha	noise limits in 12.5.10.1 and 12.5.10.2 Il not apply to construction sound which Il be assessed in accordance and comply h NZS 6803:1999.
not	noise limits in 12.5.10.1 to 12.5.10.5 shall apply to outdoor public events pursuant to apter 35 of the District Plan.

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	c. the noise limits in 12.5.10.1 and 12.5.10.2 shall not apply to motor/ water noise from commercial motorised craft within the Queenstown Town Centre waterfront Sub-Zone which is, instead, subject to Rule 36.5.14.	
12.5.11	Acoustic insulation, other than in the Entertainment Precinct where any new building is erected, or a building is modified to accommodate a recent activity: 12.5.11.1 A mechanical ventilation system shall be installed for all critical listening environments in accordance with Table 5 in Chapter 36. 12.5.11.2 All elements of the façade of any critical listening environment shall have an airborne sound insulation of at least 40 dB Rw+Ctr determined in accordance with ISO 10140 and ISO 717-1.	Discretion is restricted to: a. the noise levels that will be received within the critical listening environments, with consideration including the nature and scale of the residential or visitor accommodation activity; b. the extent of insulation proposed; and c. whether covenants exist or are being volunteered which limit noise emissions on adjacent sites such that such noise insulation will not be necessary.
12.5.12	Acoustic insulation within the Entertainment Precinct	NC
	where any new building is erected, or a building is modified to accommodate a new activity: 12.5.12.1 A mechanical ventilation system shall be installed for all critical listening environments in accordance with Table 5	
	in Chapter 36. 12.5.12.2 All elements of the façade of any critical listening environment shall have an airborne sound insulation of at least 40 dB Rw+Ctr determined in accordance with ISO 10140 and ISO 717-1.	
12.5.13	Lighting and Glare	RD
	12.5.13.1 All exterior lighting, other than footpath or pedestrian link amenity lighting, installed on sites or buildings within the zone shall be directed away from adjacent sites, roads and public places, and so as to limit the effects on the amenity of	Discretion is restricted to the effects of lighting and glare on: a. amenity values of adjoining sites; b. the safety of the Transport Network; and

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	adjoining sites, the safety of the transport network and the effects on the night sky.	c. the night sky.
12.5.13.2	No activity shall result in a greater than 10 lux spill (horizontal or vertical) of light onto any adjoining property within the Zone, measured at any point inside the boundary of any adjoining property.	
12.5.13.3	No activity shall result in a greater than 3 lux spill (horizontal or vertical) of light onto any adjoining property which is zoned residential measured at any point more than 2m inside the boundary of the adjoining property.	

12.6 Rules - Non-Notification of Applications

- 12.6.1 Applications for Controlled activities shall not require the written approval of other persons and shall not be notified or limited-notified except:
- 12.6.1.1 where visitor accommodation includes a proposal for vehicle access directly onto a State Highway.
- 12.6.2 The following Restricted Discretionary activities shall not require the written approval of other persons and shall not be notified or limited notified:
- 12.6.2.1 Buildings, with the exception of wharves and jetties, and buildings on wharves and jetties, in the Queenstown Bay Waterfront Subzone.
- 12.6.2.2 Building coverage in the Town Centre Transition Sub-Zone and comprehensive development.
- 12.6.2.3 waste and recycling storage space
- 12.6.3 The following Restricted Discretionary activities will not be publicly notified but notice will be served on those persons considered to be adversely affected if those persons have not given their written approval:
- 12.6.3.1 Discretionary building height in Height Precinct 1 and Height Precinct 1(A).
- 12.6.3.2 In relation to the electricity distribution network and where Rule 12.4.7(j) is relevant. the Council will give specific consideration to Aurora Energy Limited as an affected person for the purposes of section 95E of the Act.

Figure 1: Identified Pedestrian Links



