

Wanaka Airport Future Review

Attachment A: Wanaka Airport Future Review

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Warbirds Over Wanaka Photo

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Background

Nestled between the Southern Alps and the clear waters of Lake Wānaka, Wānaka Airport is more than just a small regional airport. It's a gateway to a world of memories, connections, and dreams that soar through the sky. Each year, thousands of visitors pass through its terminals—tourists, locals, families, and adventurers—each of them with their own stories that echo through the mountains and valleys of the surrounding region.



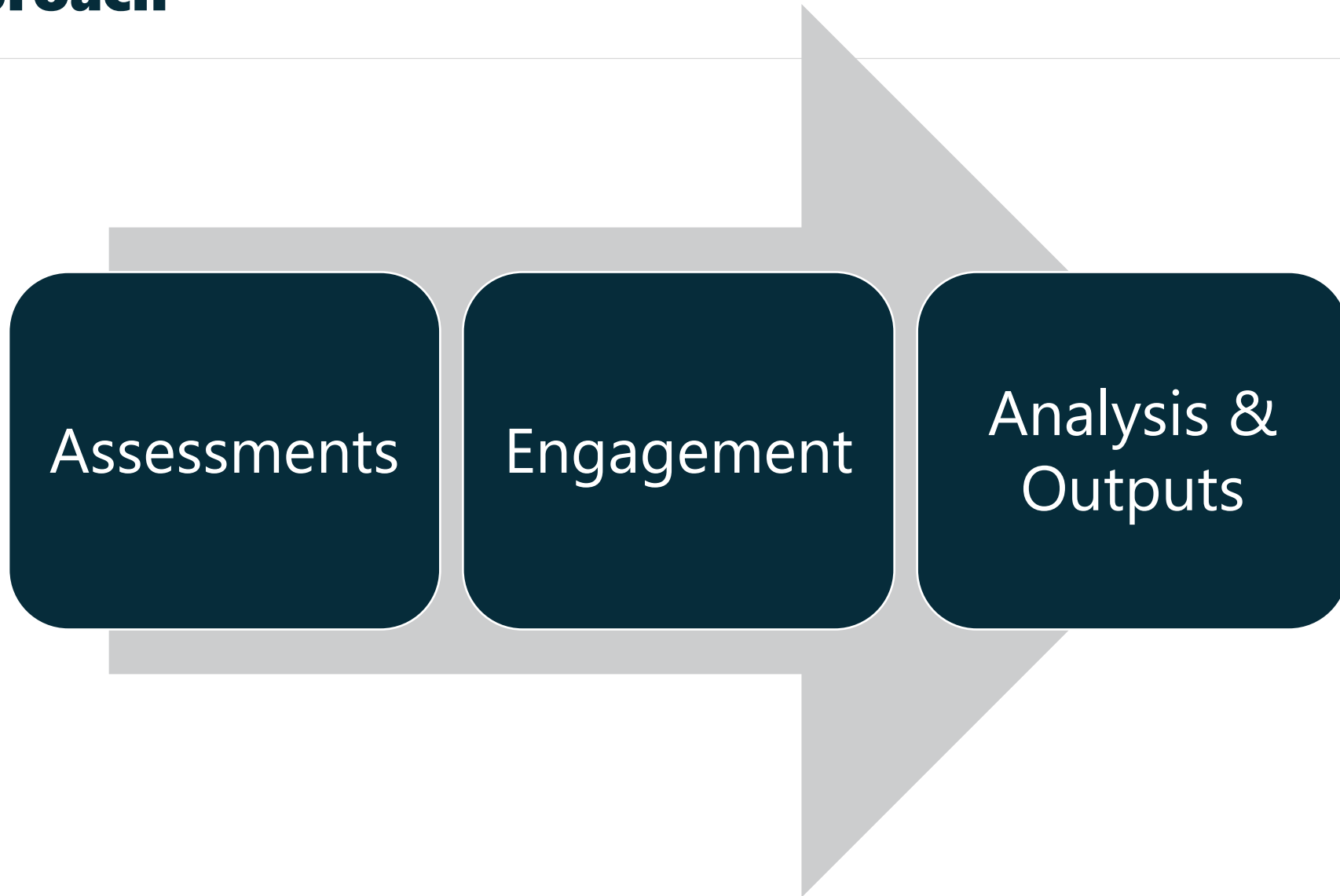
Background

Wanaka Airport is a vital lifeline for the town, connecting it to the rest of New Zealand and the world. Supporting over 11 businesses and employing around 250 people, the airport plays a key role in the local economy.

Wānaka Airport's future is about more than infrastructure—it's about strengthening community ties, driving economic growth, and celebrating the spirit of aviation. A collaborative, informed strategy will secure its success for generations to come.



Our Approach



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Assessments

- Technical and Operational Assessments
- Regulatory Assessments
- District Plan zones, policies, rules and requirements

Our Approach

Engagement – Ready to listen to the community

- QLDC and the Wānaka Upper Clutha Community Board (WUCCB)
- Establishment of an advisory group with key participants (includes liaison group representative)
- Hui with Wānaka Airport/key stakeholder advisory groups
- WUCCB community Board workshops
- Community Wānanga/Drop-in sessions

Our Proposed Approach

Analysis and Outputs

- Analysis that covers Political, Economic, Sociocultural, Technological, Environmental and Legal factors, identifying key risks and opportunities to develop robust scenarios.
- Graphic communication
- Scenario development and clear reporting

What would you like to share with us?





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