

**QUEENSTOWN LAKES DISTRICT COUNCIL PROPOSED DISTRICT PLAN - STAGE 1**  
**Amended Summary of Decisions Requested for two submissions seeking relief associated**  
**with land at Arthurs Point**

**MINUTE OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**26 January 2023**

1. The Queenstown Lakes District Council (Council) has appointed a Hearing Panel, which comprises Independent Commissioners Jane Taylor and Ian Munro (the Commission), to hear all submissions and make recommendations on the Plan Change, after it has heard the submissions, as to whether to accept or reject the submissions received and any amendments to the provisions of the Plan Change.
2. The Council is then required to decide whether to accept or reject the Hearing Panel recommendations.
3. On 26 January 2023 the Commission received a Memorandum of Counsel on behalf Gertrude's Saddlery Limited and Larchmont Enterprises Limited dated 26 January 2023 (the Memorandum), requesting that their landscape witness, Mr Ben Espie, be given leave to pre-circulate a six page summary of his evidence prior to the hearing as he is unable to comply with our earlier Directions that any material presented at the hearing must be limited to two pages of A4 paper.
4. It was submitted that there would be no prejudice to any party by providing the leave as sought, in that:
  - (a) Pre-circulation will allow the further submitters, other experts, and Commissioners to have greater transparency and understanding of the key issues which will be addressed;
  - (b) The information contained in the summary is central to the case; and
  - (c) There is no new or different information being tabled.
5. Having reviewed Mr Espie's summary and following consideration of this matter, we accept the justification for the request and direct that the six page summary of Mr Espie's evidence attached to the Memorandum be pre-circulated as soon as practicable, and no later than 12 noon on 27 January 2023.
6. Should any party have any queries in relation to these directions or require any clarification in relation to the process for this hearing, please contact the Hearings Administrator at [dp.hearings@qldc.govt.nz](mailto:dp.hearings@qldc.govt.nz).



Jane Taylor

For the Commission

26 January 2023