

Queenstown Lakes District Council – Permanent Speed Limit Reductions February 2020

Consultation Material

1. Public Notice

Consultation on recommended new permanent speed limits in accordance with Speed Limits Bylaw 2019 | Kā Ture Pae Tere 2019

Queenstown Lakes District Council has initiated consultation on recommended permanent speed limit reductions in two areas and for four roads.

This follows the adoption of the Speed Limits Bylaw 2019, that enables Council to make permanent changes to speed limits following community consultation. The proposed changes were submitted by the community as part of Council's consultation on the bylaw and some permanent speed limit reductions across council's road network in 2019.

The areas being consulted on are:

- Arrowtown Town Centre
- Wanaka Urban Traffic Area

The roads being consulted on are:

- Ballantyne Road Wanaka
- Beacon Point Road (unsealed section)
- Cemetery Road Hawea
- Mt Aspiring Road (area by Roy's Peak Carpark)

Any person or organisation has a right to comment on the recommended speed limit reductions and the Council encourages everyone with an interest in the changes in the Queenstown Lakes District to do so.

Get informed:

Details of the recommended speed reductions are available at the following places:

- Online www.qldc.govt.nz/lets-talk
- At Ardmore St and Gorge Road Council offices and Wanaka, Queenstown, Hawea and Arrowtown libraries

How to make a submission:

We value your input on the recommended permanent speed limit reductions. Here's how to share your views:

- Head to our Let's Talk page www.qldc.govt.nz/lets-talk to make a submission from 14 February 2020. Please note, you will need to register before being able to give feedback.
- Email your feedback to letstalk@qldc.govt.nz.
- Post to Queenstown Lakes District Council, Private Bag 50072, Queenstown 9348.

Our consultation period for submissions will close at 5.00pm, Friday 28 February 2020.

Late submissions will only be accepted where exceptional circumstances apply. All submissions will be treated as public information and will be published unless confidentiality is requested.

This notice is in accordance with the Local Government Act 2002.

2. Public Survey Information

Introduction

Queenstown Lakes District Council is asking for public feedback on new permanent speed limit reductions for specific roads and areas in Arrowtown and Wanaka that arose during consultation carried out last year on the Speed Limits Bylaw 2019 following a speed management review of the district.

Your feedback will assist Council in its decision making. For more information and background on the speed management review process and these additional recommended permanent speed limit reductions, go to the Public Consultation page on our website: www.qldc.govt.nz/lets-talk

Submission form:

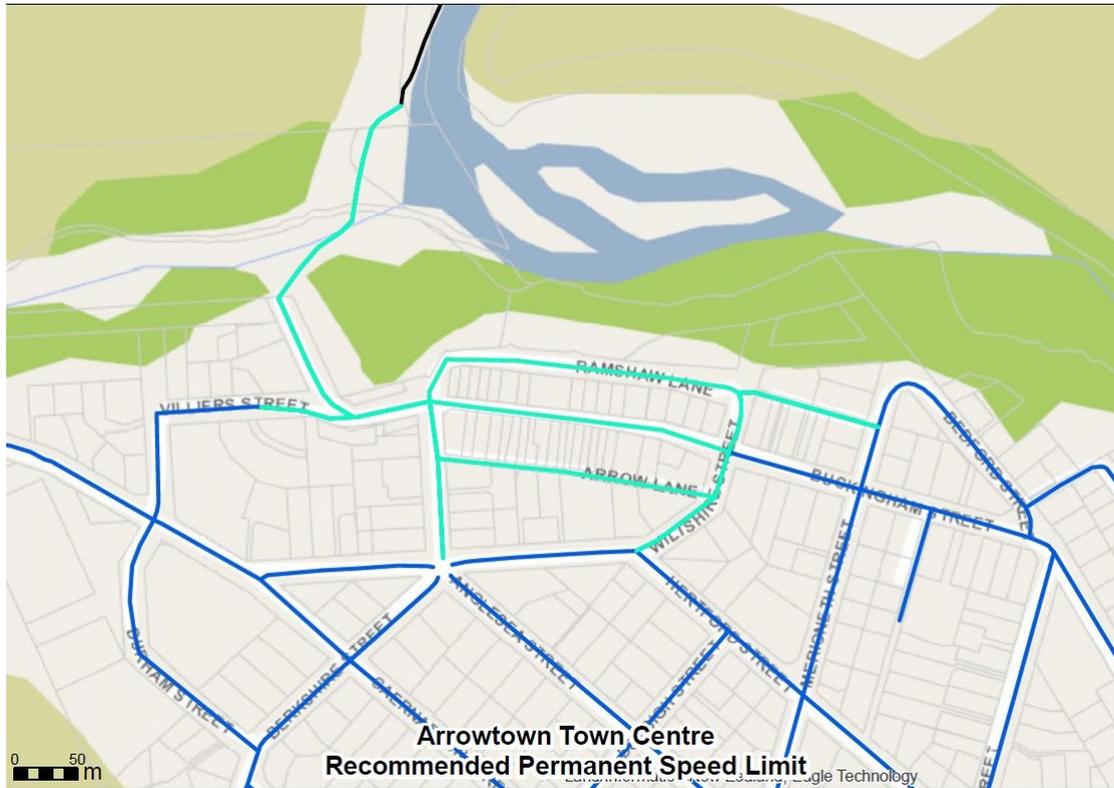
- 1) Standard personal information and declarations of information public

Name
Postal address
Telephone number
Email

Key

Speed Limit (km/h)
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80
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State Highway

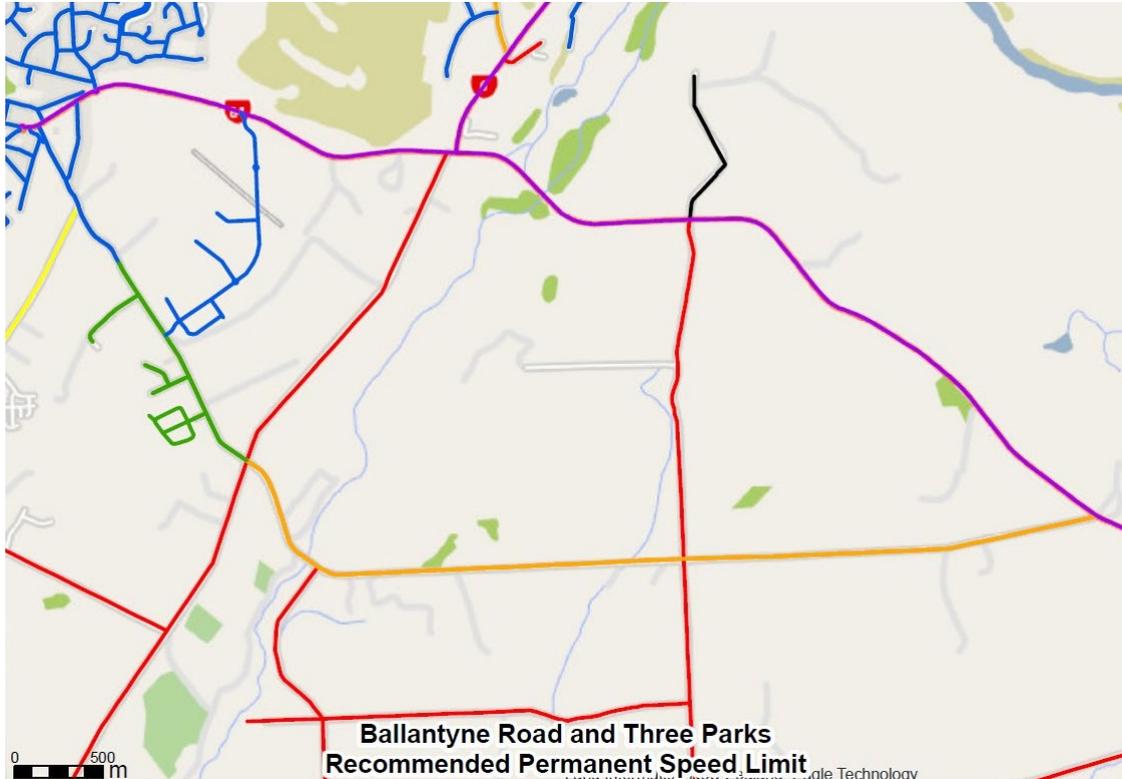
- 1) The Arrowtown town centre has high road user volumes including pedestrians, cyclists, cars and buses, a high proportion of which are visitors unfamiliar with the location. The speed management review supported a speed limit reduction to create a safer road environment for all users and feedback was received from the community during consultation on the Speed Limits Bylaw last year that a further reduction from the Urban Traffic Area speed of 40km/h be implemented. Council is recommending the permanent speed limit for the Arrowtown town centre be reduced from 40km/h to 30km/h.



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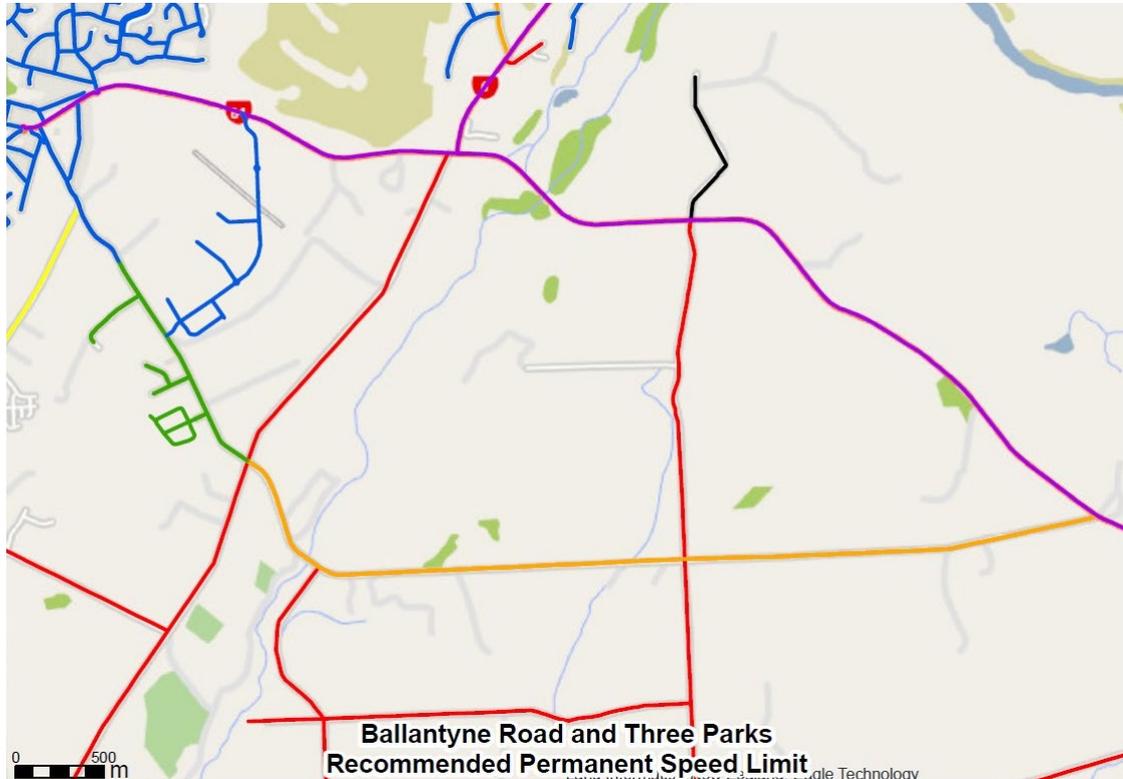
- 2) Ballantyne Road in Wanaka between Golfcourse Road and Riverbank Road has seen recent developments in Three Parks and surrounds. With an increase in residential, recreational and industrial uses all increasing road user volumes. Council is recommending the permanent speed limit for Ballantyne Road in this section be reduced from 70km/h to 50km/h to improve safety and increase consistency with surrounding areas for motorists.



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- 3) Ballantyne Road in Wanaka between Riverbank Road and State Highway 8 has become a main access road for the town centre. This section from Riverbank Road through to the State Highway will soon be sealed to a standard of 60km under the NZTA framework. Council is recommending the permanent speed limit for this section of Ballantyne Road be reduced from 80km/h to 60km/h to improve safety and increase consistency with surrounding areas for motorists.



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- 4) The unsealed section at the north end of Beacon Point Road was identified by members of the community during last year's consultation on the Speed Limits Bylaw as needing a permanent speed limit reduction due to the high volumes of recreational users, particularly those accessing the outlet track. Following further assessment, Council is recommending the permanent speed limit for the unsealed section be reduced from 50km/h to 20km/h.



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- 5) The section of Cemetery Road located in Hawea Flats between Domain Road and Muir Road was identified through community feedback as requiring a reduction in the permanent speed limit due the increasing residential property developments combined with the narrow unsealed sections. Council is recommending the permanent speed limit be reduced from 100km/h to 80km/h.



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- 6) Roy's Peak summit walking track is one of Wanaka's most popular attractions with an estimated 83 000 people visiting each year. A temporary speed limit at the carpark on Mt Aspiring Road has been in place due to sightlines and space available to enter and exit. Council is recommending the permanent speed limit be reduced from 100km/h to 50km/h to enable motorists to safely enter and exit the main road.

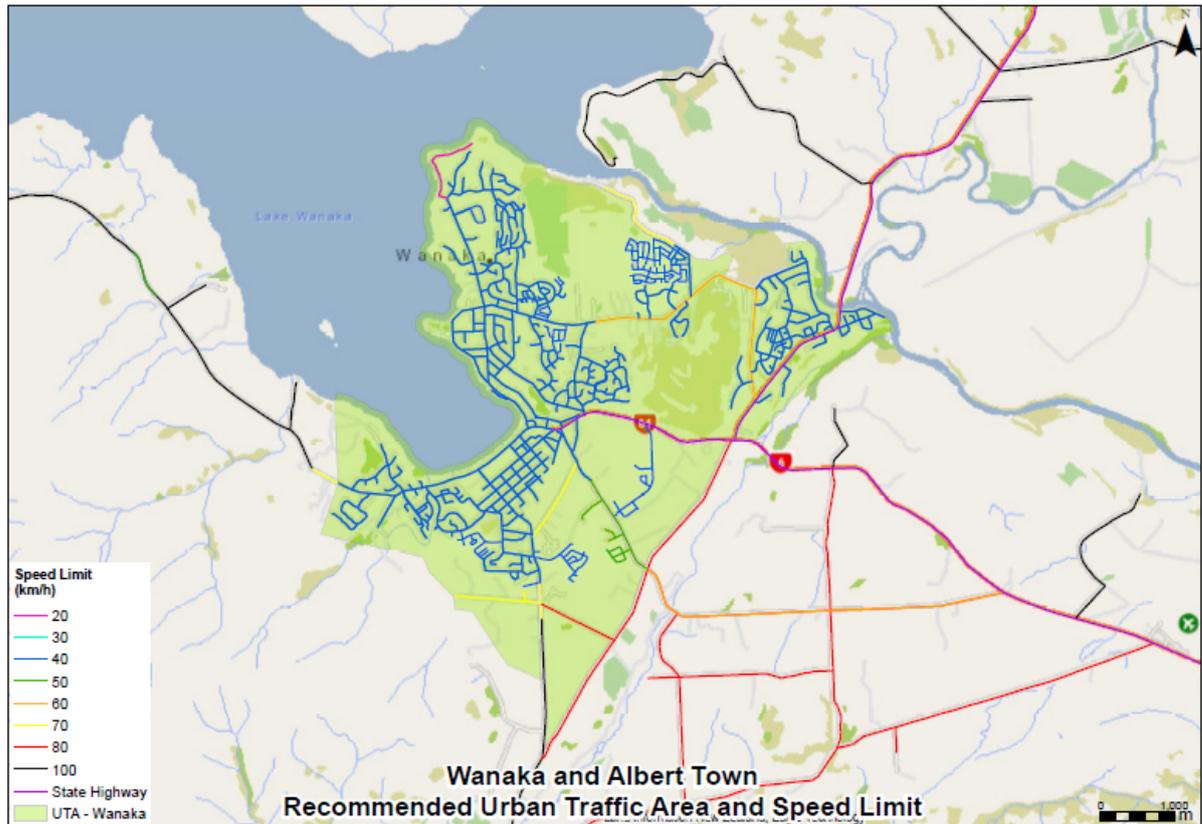


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7) Wanaka Urban Boundaries

Since the beginning of the speed management review substantial construction has occurred on the boundaries of Wanaka, particularly around Northlake and Three Parks. Northlake was previously an undeveloped area which is now residential. Three Parks was largely an undeveloped industrial area, now a mixed-use zone with high volumes of vulnerable road users, particularly around the new residential area and primary school.



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Comment/Why:

8) Any other comments