

**BEFORE THE HEARING COMMISSIONERS
AT QUEENSTOWN**

**IN THE MATTER of the Resource
Management Act 1991**

AND

**IN THE MATTER Proposed Plan Change 50 to
the Queenstown Lakes
District Plan**

**BETWEEN BRECON STREET
PARTNERSHIP LIMITED**

Submitter No 50/10

**AND QUEENSTOWN LAKES
DISTRICT COUNCIL**

Applicant

**STATEMENT OF EVIDENCE OF TREVOR SCHREIBER
FOR BRECON STREET PARTNERSHIP LIMITED**

Dated 21 November 2014

1. My full name is Trevor Schreiber and I am a 25 year old Canadian currently on a working holiday throughout New Zealand.
2. I have been working for an employment agency in Queenstown and through it on Monday 3 November met Graham Wilkinson who briefed me on conducting a survey of visitors to the Queenstown cemetery.
3. I was given an exercise book (**Attachment 1**) and told by Graham to be present in the Queenstown cemetery in a strategic position where I could see all visitors and to approach them to ask each person or group whether they were locals or visitors, and then to ask whether they were visiting a specific site in the cemetery. I was then to record all responses in the exercise book.
4. I started at 9.30 on Tuesday 4 and attended 7 hours per day until 4.30 for 7 days, or 49 hours in total, apart from two short periods for around 6 hours in total when I was relieved by a female employment worker as I was required to assist elsewhere for some heavy lifting. You can see when this happened by the different handwriting in the exercise book in which visitors responses were recorded. I gave this person clear instructions which were also pasted into the exercise book for them to follow.
5. As can be seen from the records kept, over the entire week only 8 visitors or visitor groups came to visit a specific site.
6. Overwhelming, the other visitors to the cemetery over the week of the survey, being around an average of 7 or 8 visitors or groups per day, were overseas tourists and were almost always visiting the cemetery as part walking to or from the Gondola.
7. I engaged in discussions with several of these people and in my opinion they were largely just being inquisitive. These visitors were more interested in reading headstones and looking at graves than anything else. Certainly no one mentioned anything about views from the cemetery being an important feature of their visit, although several people suggested that the cemetery would benefit by having some form of fence or boundary, particularly along Brecon Street as the cemetery is not well defined with respect to the road, to give it more definition.

Trevor Schreiber
21 November 2014