

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act  
1991

AND

IN THE MATTER of the Queenstown Lakes  
Proposed District Plan

AND

IN THE MATTER of Hearing Stream 11 – Ski Area  
Subzones

**MINUTE CONCERNING COUNCIL REPLY**

1. On 19 May 2017 we received the Council's written reply in relation to Hearing Stream 11. The legal submissions filed include the following statement:

*Ms Banks' recommended amendments include a number of changes to the text of Chapter 21, one change to Chapter 6 and three changes to Chapter 2. The Council will identify the submissions that have been made on these provisions, and for fairness reasons considers that the Council's right of reply should be served on those that have not already been involved in the Ski Area Sub Zone (SASZ) hearing, along with a brief explanation as to whether the Panel will give the submitters a right to respond. Council considers that those submitters should be given an opportunity to lodge a written response (legal submissions or lay submissions) in relation to the Council's suggested amendments to Chapters 2, 6 and 21, and then the Council be given a final opportunity to reply.*

2. We have had the opportunity to consider the scope of the changes recommended by Ms Banks. While we have not come to any final conclusions as to what we will be recommending to the Council, we see no value in the Council attempting to identify submissions that may be affected by these changes at this stage. If, after further consideration, we conclude that other parties should be given the opportunity to comment on these changes we will ask the Council to identify the relevant submitters. We do note, however, that if we followed that course we may wish to re-open the hearing to hear from all parties that wish to be heard on the new material.

For the Hearing Panel



Denis Nugent (Chair)

22 May 2017