

# WĀNAKA LAKEFRONT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

## TE MAHERE WHAKAAHU MŌ TE TAKUTAI O WĀNAKA



### SUMMARY DOCUMENT

Overview of key features from the Wānaka Lakefront Development Plan produced following public consultation in 2015-2016.



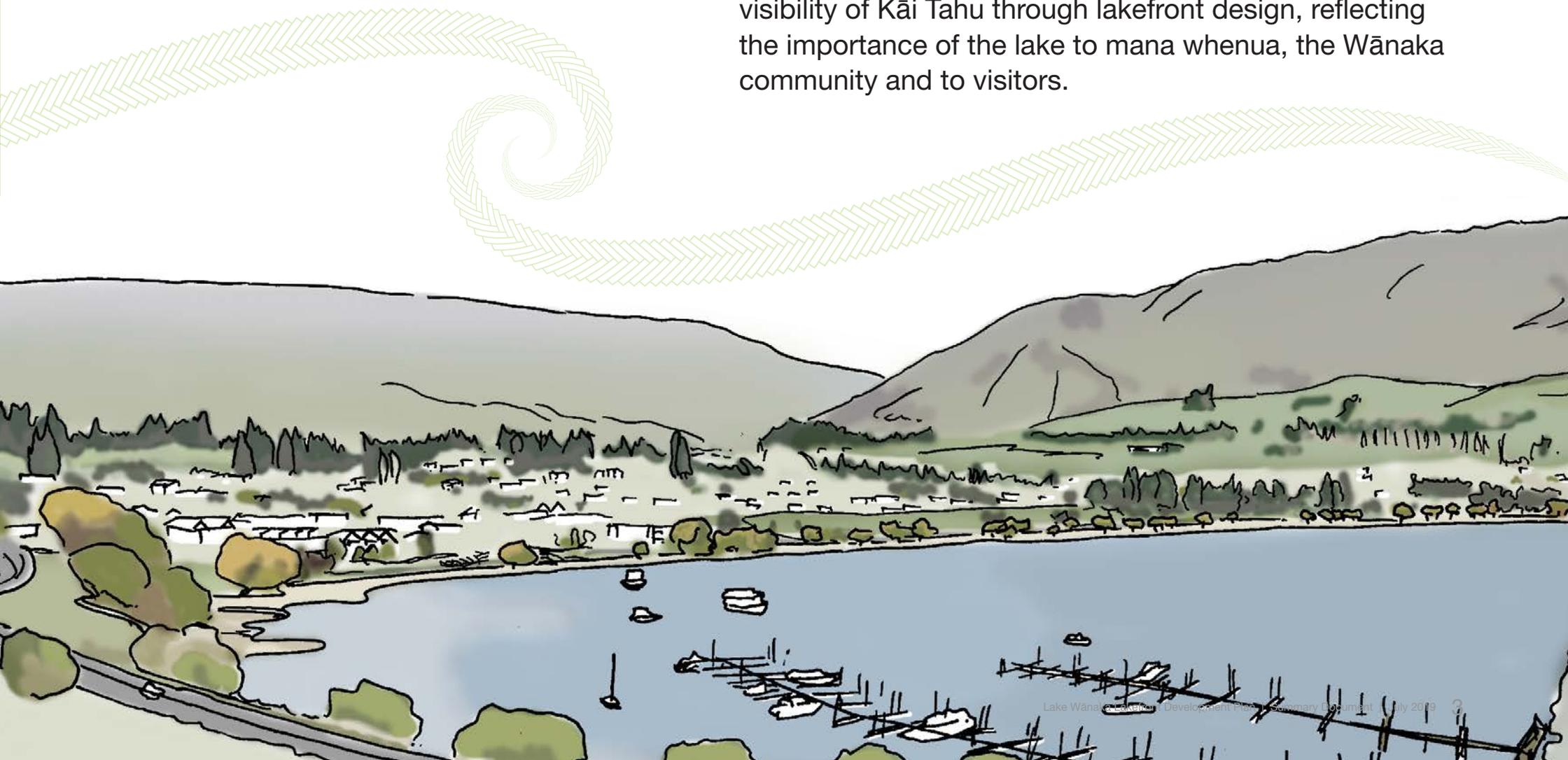
**CREATING FRESH  
OPEN SPACES AND  
PEOPLE-FRIENDLY PLACES  
ON THE LAKEFRONT**

**KIA HANGA WĀHI TAUTAIAO  
MŌ TE HAPORI KEI TE  
TAKUTAI**



# ASPIRATION

To provide continuous pedestrian access – making strong connections with the town centre, reducing vehicle use in the town centre, hosting a range of activities and enhancing the ecology throughout, while enhancing the visibility of Kāi Tahu through lakefront design, reflecting the importance of the lake to mana whenua, the Wānaka community and to visitors.



# SITE ANALYSIS

Key points:

## CORE ATTRIBUTES



Magnificent scenery



Large scale



Soft edge



Accommodates a range of activities

## CORE ISSUES



Dominance of parking along lake edge



Lack of continuous access for pedestrians



Disconnected from town centre



Poor ecology - highly modified



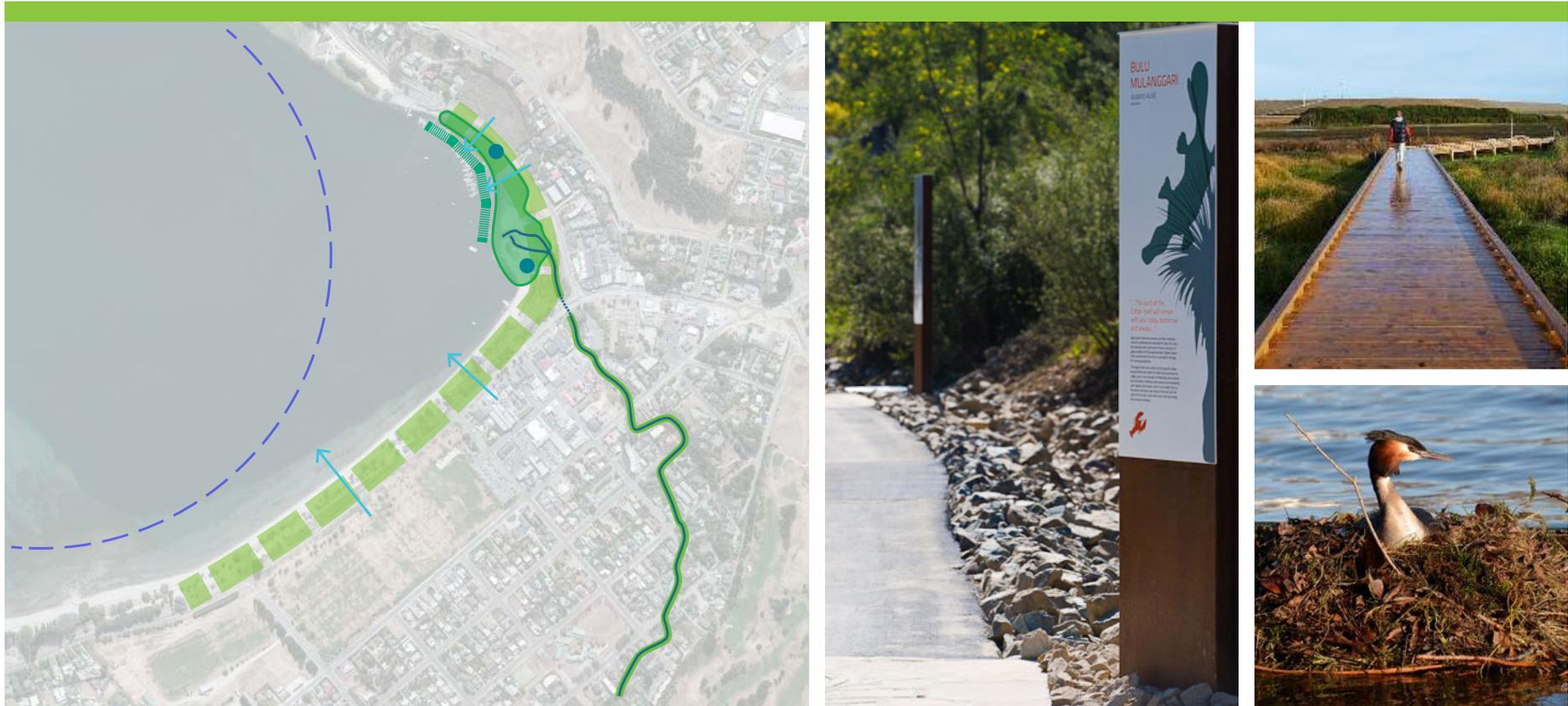
Absence of Kāi Tahu values

# DESIGN: THE FOUR BIG MOVES





# 01 RESTORE & DEVELOP ECOLOGY



### KEY

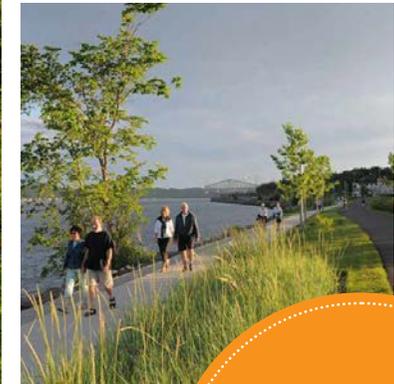
- Bullock Creek ecological enhancement
- Native revegetation planting along Marina edge
- Stormwater runoff treatment

- Lake health enhancement
- Fish & bird habitat creation along lake edge between Marina & Bullock Creek delta

- Interpretive signage
- Greater biodiversity planting along lake edge



## 02 PROVIDE CONTINUOUS ACCESS



### KEY



Continuous pedestrian / cycleway promenade around lakefront



Traffic calming along Ardmore Street



Pedestrian crossing thresholds



Pedestrian priority between Dungarvon and Helwick Street

Rationalise parking areas



Relocate parking to along edge of Reserve to Ardmore Street



Defined cycleway alongside Lakeside Road

*Parking decisions now aligned with Wānaka Town Centre Masterplan outcomes, as decided by Wānaka Community Board (4 April 2019).*

**PROVISION OF CONTINUOUS ACCESS OPTIONS DELIVERED IN CONJUNCTION WITH WĀNAKA TOWN CENTRE MASTERPLAN OUTCOMES**

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# 03 IMPROVE LANDUSE



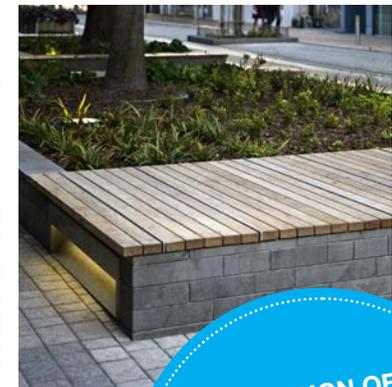
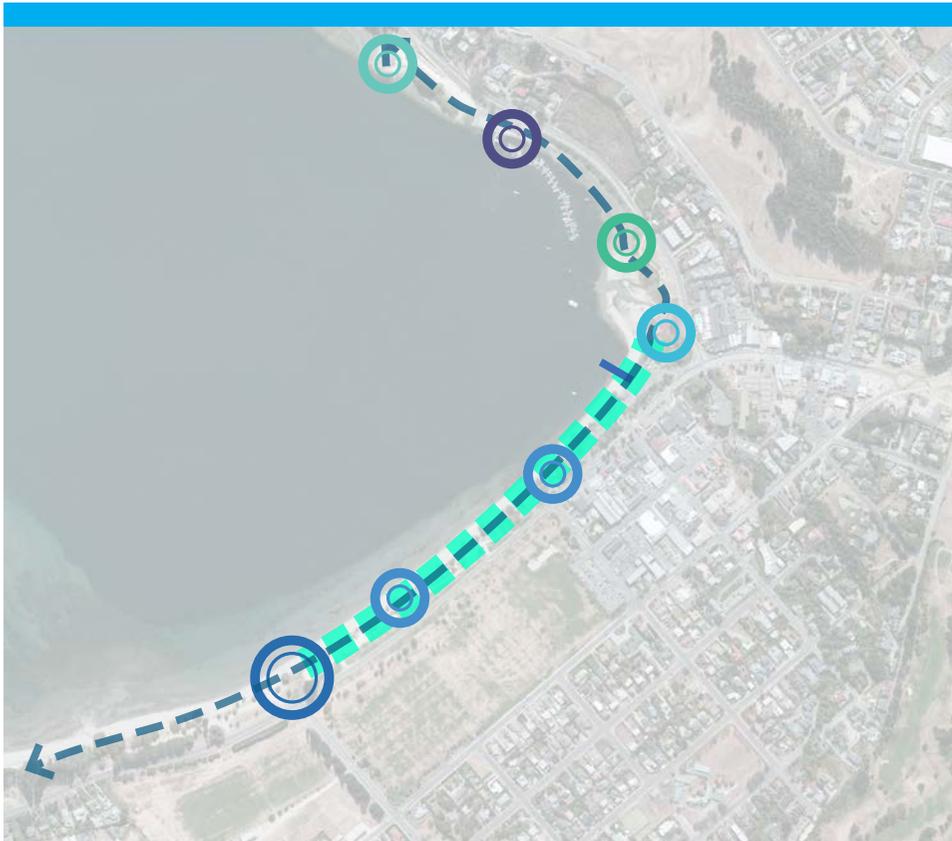
### KEY

-  Lakefront linear park
-  Create a series of precincts along the lakefront with defined use and character
-  Create a new town green and plaza orientated between the lake and buildings
-  Possibility to expand marina for additional berthage
-  Incorporate existing parks

**OPTIONS FOR  
IMPROVED LANDUSE  
DELIVERED IN  
CONJUNCTION WITH  
WĀNAKA TOWN  
CENTRE MASTERPLAN  
OUTCOMES**



# 04 PROVIDE A RANGE OF FACILITIES



PROVISION OF FACILITIES OPTIONS DELIVERED IN CONJUNCTION WITH WĀNAKA TOWN CENTRE MASTERPLAN OUTCOMES

### KEY

-  Enhance or create lakefront facilities
-  Provide a new town pier
-  Marina and Yacht Club upgrade/addition
-  Expand playground
-  Lakefront heritage gardens
-  Ecological lookouts and signage
-  Providing a destination at southern end of lakefront
-  Cultural Heritage trail

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# CONSULTATION

## INTEREST GROUPS CONSULTED

Te Kakano Trust  
Lakeland Adventures  
Wanaka Yacht Club  
Wanaka Residents Association  
Wanaka Chamber of Commerce  
Guardians of Lake Wanaka  
Wanaka Bakpakas  
Wanaka Marina  
Lakeview Apartments  
Lake Wanaka Tourism  
Wanaka Community Trust  
Light Up Wanaka  
Farmers Market Craft Market  
John Darby (Grebes)  
Relish Café  
Aspiring Jewellers  
Racers Edge  
Millennium Pathway Project

## INTERNAL

Wanaka Community Board  
Harbourmaster  
Transport Planning  
Infrastructure Projects  
Parks / Horticulturist

## CONSULTATION PROCESS

Queenstown Lakes District Council has committed to public engagement for the Wānaka Lakefront Development Plan - seeking input from many voices in the community, hosting open days and forums, inviting open and direct conversations, and encouraging participation through the council website. This engagement is needed to ensure new development along Wānaka's lakefront and town centre edge fulfils the community vision and adds quality to Wānaka.

## EMBRACING KĀI TAHU - OUR TREATY PARTNERS

Wānaka is one of the iconic lakes of cultural significance to Kāi Tahu. Seven Kāi Tahu Rūnaka are mana whenua in Wanaka and have kaitiaki responsibilities for the lake. Historically, a number of pā, kaika and nohoaka were located around Lake Wānaka. The biggest settlement in the area was a Kāi Tahu pā known as Take Kārara located in present day Roys Bay. The tūpuna (ancestors) had considerable knowledge of whakapapa, traditional trails and tauraka waka, places for gathering kai and other taoka. They had a traditional and spiritual relationship with the lake, and had tīkaka for the proper and sustainable utilisation of its resources. These values remain important to Kāi Tahu today. As kaitiaki and mana whenua, Kāi Tahu's contemporary presence in Wānaka centres on wise use, restoration and protection of its natural and physical environment. The mauri of Lake Wānaka represents the essence that binds the physical and spiritual elements of all things together, generating and upholding all life. QLDC has recently reinvigorated and recommitted to its Treaty partnership with Kāi Tahu. Kāi Tahu and QLDC are working on a variety of projects throughout the district to reinstate Kāi Tahu's footprints in the landscape - ensuring that Kāi Tahu's stories and values are fully represented and visible in places of importance to them, including Wānaka's lakefront.

**PUBLIC CONSULTATION WAS UNDERTAKEN OVER A THREE MONTH PERIOD, COMPRISING OF:**

**THREE  
PUBLIC DROP  
IN SESSIONS**



**STAFF  
ATTENDANCE  
AT THE WANAKA  
A&P SHOW**



**MEETINGS WITH  
BUSINESSES  
AND COMMUNITY  
GROUPS**



**QLDC RECEIVED OVER 60 WRITTEN RESPONSES, WITH MAIN THEMES AND IDEAS EMERGING FROM THE SUBMISSIONS.**

**OVER 60  
WRITTEN  
RESPONSES**



# OUTCOMES

**IDENTITY**

Enhancement of social and cultural identity, through placemaking.

**CONNECTIVITY**

Retaining and enhancing safe pedestrian and cycling access along the lakefront reserves.

**PARKING**

Remove informal parking along lake reserve edge, but still providing easy access and ample parking facilities along Ardmore Street.

**REMOVE CARS**

Long term aspiration to reduce vehicle use within the town centre.

**SUSTAINABILITY  
& ECOLOGY**

Encourage sustainable growth within both public and private development. Celebrate and enhance ecological areas along the lakefront -especially around Bullock Creek, along with regenerating mahika kai and other indigenous species in association with Kāi Tahu.

**PUBLIC SPACE**

Provide an area of open space for large gatherings and events opposite the town centre.

**KAITAHUTAKA**

Kāi Tahu cultural narrative is visible through lakefront planting, landscape, artwork and design.

Show grounds

McDougall St

**1 MT ASPIRING CARPARK**

**2 SOUTH BEACH**

Pembroke Park

Ardmore St

Lake Wanaka  
Roys Bay

**5 NORTH CARPARK**

Yacht Club

Marina

Dungarvon St

**4 MAIN BEACH\***

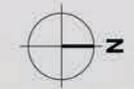
**3 LAKESIDE**

Wanaka  
Town Centre

Helwick St

Lakeside Rd

Bullock Creek



0m 250m 500m

Staged Implementation Plan (2018)

[www.qldc.govt.nz/wanaka-lakefront-development-plan/](http://www.qldc.govt.nz/wanaka-lakefront-development-plan/)

| STAGES                       |
|------------------------------|
| <b>1 MT ASPIRING CARPARK</b> |
| <b>2 SOUTH BEACH</b>         |
| <b>3 LAKESIDE</b>            |
| <b>4 MAIN BEACH*</b>         |
| <b>5 NORTH CARPARK</b>       |

\* in conjunction with the Wanaka Town Centre Masterplan



# EVOLUTION

The Wānaka Lakefront Development Plan recognises the unique character of the area, its importance to Kāi Tahu, and how it informs different recreational uses of the lakefront. Following the three year period since initial consultations, opportunities have arisen to recognise and align with other developments in the Wānaka area.

## **EMBRACING IWI**

Ours is a district with a unique history and Māori heritage. QLDC hopes to honour and reflect this, and is actively working to strengthen relationships and encourage informed discussions with local Iwi Kāi Tahu on multiple projects, including the Wānaka Lakefront Development Plan.

A collaborative approach between Queenstown Lakes District Council (QLDC) and Kāi Tahu will allow for expression of local culture, history and identity.

Ngā Runanga by way of KTKO Consulting was involved in initial discussions in 2015, and QLDC will continue engaging with Kāi Tahu on the remaining Stages of the Wānaka Lakefront Development Plan to honour, celebrate and strengthen our district's ancestry and cultural footprint.

## **INTEGRATING WITH THE WĀNAKA TOWN CENTRE MASTERPLAN**

The Wānaka Town Centre Masterplan, through community consultation has reiterated the lakeside's identity and character.

Both the Wānaka Lakefront Development Plan and Town Centre Masterplan share consistent objectives and their respective areas of development are linked and flow into each other. Decisions made as part of the Wānaka Town Centre Masterplan address core elements of the Lakefront Development Plan, and integration between the two projects allows for consistency in design, flow, and materials used.

Parking and traffic considerations are being addressed as part of the Wānaka Town Centre Masterplan and will influence all remaining Stages of the Wānaka Lakefront Development Plan.



**WĀNAKA TOWN CENTRE MASTERPLAN BIG MOVES**



**BRING THE LAKESIDE INTO THE TOWN CENTRE**



**CONNECTED WĀNAKA**



**AUTHENTIC WĀNAKA**



**A STRONG CIVIC HEART**



**A PEOPLE AND COMMUNITY FOCUSED  
TOWN CENTRE**

  
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