

## Item 2: 2024-27 NLTP Funding Implications

**SESSION TYPE:** Workshop

#### **PURPOSE/DESIRED OUTCOME:**

The purpose of this workshop item is to provide the Wānaka-Upper Clutha Community Board with an overview of the 2024-2027 National Land Transport Programme (NLTP) approved funding position. Guidance provided by the Board on its priorities for QLDC's transportation investment in the Upper Clutha over the next three years will support officers to prepare a pragmatic suite of options for consideration at the December 2024 Council meeting in response to the NLTP funding position.

### **DATE/START TIME:**

Thursday, 10 October 2024 at 11.45am

#### **TIME BREAKDOWN:**

Presentation and discussion: 30 minutes

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#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Α	Summary of the 2024-27 NLTP funding implications for QLDC's planned
	transportation investment

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# **2024-2027 National Land Transport Programme:** Summary of QLDC Allocation (Upper Clutha only)



GPS 2024 has set a new direction for land transport over the next ten years. The overarching strategic priority for investment is economic growth and productivity, reflected through the NLTP's focus on maintaining existing roading networks and moving people and goods efficiently, quickly, and safely. With most of the NLTP funding directed towards the roading network, investment in other modalities such as active transport falls to local government to fund if desired.

**NLTP Assumed vs Allocated** -\$5.97M

Opex -\$0.60M

Capex

QLDC's Upper Clutha allocation is summarised below - all amounts reflect only the 2024/25 - 2026/27 financial years (i.e. the period covered by the NLTP).

LOW COST LOW RISK  Minor Improvements  Active Travel  Public Transport  LCLR Total	\$7.06M \$0.82M \$0.92M \$8.80M	\$3.46M \$0.40M \$0.45M <b>\$4.31M</b>	\$3.60M \$0.42M \$0.47M \$4.49M	\$0.61M* \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0.61M	(\$2.99M) (\$0.42M) (\$0.47M) (\$3.88M)	*Funding received is specifically for Ballantyne/Riverbank project. Reduced LCLR will impact delivery of interventions that address safety or technical LoS gaps (e.g. lines, signs, crossing points, dangerous tree removal), PT-supportive assets (e.g. bus stops), and active travel improvements (e.g. route connections).
RENEWALS Structure Components Environmental Traffic Services Unsealed Rd Metalling Sealed Rd Resurfacing Drainage Sealed Rd Rehabs Footpaths Renewals Total	\$0.44M \$0.12M \$0.34M \$2.04M \$4.85M \$0.83M \$2.05M \$0.25M	\$0.22M \$0.06M \$0.17M \$1.00M \$2.38M \$0.41M \$1.01M \$5.36M	\$0.23M \$0.06M \$0.17M \$1.04M \$2.48M \$0.43M \$1.05M \$0.13M \$5.57M	\$0.24M \$0.05M \$0.18M \$1.10M \$2.62M \$0.43M \$1.10M \$0.03M \$5.76M	VARIANCE \$0.01M (\$0.01M) \$0.01M \$0.06M \$0.15M \$0 \$0.05M (\$0.10M) \$0.18M	Overall, renewals (particularly those associated with government's 'Pothole Fund') has performed well with \$0.18M funding allocated above what is anticipated in the LTP (this discrepancy is due to a reduction in inflation rates between when the maintenance, operations & renewals bid was submitted and LTP budgets were finalised). QLDC will need to increase local share to fully uplift the funding available. At this level of funding, footpath renewals will be insufficient to maintain LoS (compounded by footpath maintenance opex allocation – see yellow opex section below). The small negative variance in environmental controls may require some reductions in associated activities (e.g. catch fences).  With the introduction of new Activity Classes and rules in this NLTP, there is less flexibility to move money between budgets than has previously existed – this may result in more overs/unders of renewals expenditure in the next three years.
MAJOR PROJECTS Capell Ave Extension Total  OTHER CAPEX Activity Mgt Planning Resilience Travel Demand Mgt Total	LTP TOTAL \$3.49M \$3.49M LTP TOTAL \$0.41M \$0.61M \$0.11M \$1.12M	QLDC SHARE \$1.71M \$1.71M QLDC SHARE \$0.20M \$0.30M \$0.05M \$0.55M	NLTP ASSUMED \$1.78M \$1.78M NLTP ASSUMED \$0.21M \$0.31M \$0.05M \$0.57M	NLTP ALLOCATED \$0 \$0 NLTP ALLOCATED \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0.08M \$0.08M	VARIANCE (\$1.78M) (\$1.78M)  VARIANCE (\$0.21M) (\$0.31M) \$0.03M (\$0.49M)	Extension of Capell Ave (connecting Capell Ave to Cemetery Rd, aligned to timing of planned watermain extension) did not receive funding support.  Activity Management Planning budgets were intended to fund development/ maintenance of the Asset Management Plan, Network Operating Plan, Mode Shift Plan, and Speed Management Plans.  The resilience budget provided for emergent issues such as slope instability major routes (e.g. Crown Range) and has not attracted funding support.

There is no impact on capital budgets where QLDC assumed no funding assistance would be received. These budgets include Strategic Planning \$0.19M and Parking Management Plans \$0.18M.

OPEX	LTP TOTAL	QLDC SHARE	NLTP ASSUMED	NLTP ALLOCATED	VARIANCE
Operations	\$9.02M	\$4.42M	\$4.60M	\$8.24M	(\$0.39M)
Pothole Prevention	\$3.63M	\$1.78M	\$1.85M	\$3.73M	\$0.05M
Walking & Cycling	\$0.46M	\$0.22M	\$0.23M	\$0.14M	(\$0.16M)
Road Safety	\$0.27M	\$0.13M	\$0.14M	\$0.09M	(\$0.09M)
Total	\$13.38M	\$6.55M	\$6.82M	\$12.20M	(\$0.60M)

Within the 'operations' category, there is now insufficient funding to maintain environmental maintenance LoS (e.g. CMA/grit, vegetation control), and no funding support for minor events which are inevitable (FY24 \$108k actuals).

Residual funding for footpath/cycleway maintenance is insufficient to maintain a basic LoS (walking & cycling category), and road safety promotional activities will be significantly reduced based on approved funding levels.