

Minutes of a meeting of the Queenstown Lakes District Council meeting as the Community Fund Panel held in the Council Chambers, 10 Gorge Road, Queenstown on Tuesday 21 May 2024 commencing at 1.00pm

Present:

Mayor Glyn Lewers; Councillors Bartlett, Bruce, Cocks, Ferguson, Gladding, Guy, Smith, Tucker, White and Whitehead

In attendance:

Mr Simon Battrick (Acting General Manager, Community Services), Ms Marie Day (Community Partnerships Manager), Mr Giovanni Stephens (Community Investment Advisor), Ms Jane Robertson (Senior Governance Advisor) and Miss Sarah Bradey (Governance Advisor)

Apologies/Leave of Absence Applications

An apology was received from Councillor Wong.

**It was moved (The Mayor/Councillor Tucker):
That the Queenstown Lakes District Council accept the
apology.**

Motion carried.

Declarations of Conflict of Interest

- Councillor Smith: Trustee of Alpine Community Development Trust and Upper Clutha Tracks Trust; family membership of Bike Wānaka
- Councillor Cocks: Dunedin RSA Welfare Trust
- Councillor Ferguson: Bruce Grant Youth Trust
- Councillor Guy: Whakatipu Community Hub Trust; Supporter of Impact 100 Wakatipu
- Councillor Whitehead: founding member of Kiwi Harvest; founding member of Wai Wānaka

Resolution to Exclude the Public

It was moved (The Mayor/Councillor Whitehead):

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the meeting:

The general subject of each matter to be considered whilst the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

Agenda items

Item 1 Recommended allocations for Community Funding Applications

General subject to be considered.	Reason for passing this resolution.	Grounds under Section 7 for the passing of this resolution.
<p>1. Recommended Allocations for Community Funding Applications</p>	<p>That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of information is necessary to:</p> <p><i>Section and Grounds</i> c) protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be completed to provide under the authority of any enactment, where the making available of the information-</p> <p>i) would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information, or information from the same source, and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied; or</p> <p>ii) would be likely otherwise to damage the public interest;</p> <p><i>Reason for recommendation</i> The applications have been submitted in confidence and discussions that determine the Council's response to these applications need to be confidential.</p>	<p>Section 7(2)(c)</p> <p>Section 7(2)(c)(i)</p> <p>Section 7(2)(c)(ii)</p>

The meeting went into public excluded at 1.01pm.

PUBLIC EXCLUDED

1. **Recommended Allocations for Community Funding Applications**

The Council (meeting as the *Community Fund Panel*) reviewed the officer recommendations and agreed on the following funding allocations, noting that these would form a series of recommendations to be considered and ultimately agreed at the ordinary Council meeting scheduled for 27 June 2024.

Arts, Culture and Heritage

Organisation	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	One-off grant	Notes
Queenstown Arts Society				\$5,000	
Glenorchy Heritage & Museum Group	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000		
Lake Wānaka SouNZ Inc					Decline
Creative Arts Trust					Decline
Three Lakes Cultural Trust	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000		
Te Atamira Whakatipu Community Trust	\$85,000	\$85,000	\$85,000		
Lakes District Museum Incorporated	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000		Concerns that not district wide. Council urges museum to work with Upper Clutha Historical Records Society re digitization project.
Miharo Muruhiku Trust					Decline
Upper Clutha Historical Society Inc	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000		
Wānaka Project					Decline
Natalie Perks					Decline

Community and Social Services

Organisation	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	One-off grant	Notes
Women's Shed Queenstown	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$8,000		
Happiness House Trust	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$55,000		
Lake Hayes Estate and Shotover Country Community Association				\$10,000	
Queenstown Community Cats				\$3,000	
Community Networks/ LINK	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000		
Out&about Wānaka				\$10,000	
Friends of Pembroke Park					Decline but funding available

Organisation	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	One-off grant	Notes
					from Parks budget.
Lake Hāwea Community Association	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000		
Hāwea Charitable Trust					Decline but funding available from Parks budget
Friends of Holy Family School, Wānaka					
Wānaka Community Workshop Trust	\$16,000	\$16,000	\$16,000		
Kingston Community Association					\$10,000
Whakatipu Community Hub Charitable Trust					Held over for consideration later
Kingston Community Association				\$10,000	
Glenorchy Community Website Trust					Decline but offer in kind support
Volunteer South Trust/ Kaitūao o te Taitonga	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$9,000		
Royal New Zealand Plunket Trust	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000		
Te Kupeka Umaka Māori ki Āraiteuru (KUMA) - Southern Māori Business Network					Fund from economic development opex budget
Pivotal Point Charitable Trust					
Queenstown Scout Group					
Kāhu Youth Trust	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000		
Mint Charitable Trust	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000		
Path Wānaka/Ara Ki Wānaka	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000		
Aspiring Beginnings Early Learning Centre				\$4,000	
Wānaka Playgroup				\$2000	
Community Bridge Technologies Charitable Trust					Out of district
Wakatipu Youth Trust t/a Whakatipu Youth Trust	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$55,000		
WORD Limited (World Off-road Riding Department)				\$5,000	
Life Education Trust Heartland Otago Southland					
MyFundAction New Zealand					

Emergency Services

Organisation	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	One-off grant	Notes
Lakes District Air Rescue Trust	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000		Want more info'
Frankton Volunteer Fire Brigade Inc					

Engagement and Funding

Organisation	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	One-off grant	Notes
Wakatipu Community Foundation				\$10,000	
Shaping Our Future					

Environment and Biodiversity

Organisation	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	One-off grant	Notes
Sustainable Glenorchy					Some opex funding available
Glenorchy Community Association	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000		
Gibbston Community Association				\$10,000	
Queenstown Harvest Community Gardens	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000		Some opex also available from climate action
Arthurs Point Community Association Inc				\$10,000	
Tucker Beach Wildlife Trust				\$10,000	
KAPOW Queenstown				\$2,000	
Wai Wānaka	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000		Some opex also available from climate action
Upper Clutha Wilding Tree Group	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000		
Te Kākano Aotearoa Trust	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000		
Ruby Island Management Committee	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000		
Whakatipu Wilding Conifer Control Group Incorporated (WCG)	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000		
Wao Aotearoa	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000		
Mana Tāhuna Charitable Trust	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000		
Whakatipu Wildlife Trust	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000		
Te Tapu o Tane					Potential collaboration on specific projects, eg, Lake Hayes: move request to align with

Organisation	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	One-off grant	Notes
					environmental projects and restoration efforts
Wakatipu Reforestation Trust	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000		
Southern Lakes Branch of NZ Deerstalkers Association	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000		

Food Resilience

Organisation	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	One-off grant	Notes
Baskets of Blessings Charitable Trust	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000		
Grow Wānaka Community Gardens	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000		
Food for Love	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000		
KiwiHarvest	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000		

Health and Wellbeing

Organisation	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	One-off grant	Notes
Disability Information Service t/a Livingwell Disability Resource Centre					
Upper Clutha Children's Medical Centre Trust				\$3,000	
Royal New Zealand Returned and Services' Association Incorporated					
Māori Women's Welfare League - Whakatipu-Wai-Māori Branch				\$10,000	
KnowYourStuffNZ				\$5,000	
New Zealand Collective of Abused in State Care Charitable Trust					
Parent to Parent, Otago				\$5,000	

Sport and Recreation

Organisation	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	One-off grant	Notes
Queenstown Cricket Club Inc				\$10,000	
Queenstown Pickleball Club				\$3,000	
Rad Community Trust				\$10,000	
Wānaka Associated Football Club				\$10,000	
Wakatipu Pony Club					

Organisation	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	One-off grant	Notes
Whakatipu Waka Ama Inc				\$5,000	
Waiorau Nordic Sports Club				\$5,000	
Queenstown Gymnastics Club				\$4,000	
Southern Lakes Swimming Club				\$2,000	

Tracks and Trails

Organisation	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	One-off grant	Notes
Glenorchy Trails Trust				\$10,000	
Upper Clutha Tracks Trust	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000		
Bike Wānaka	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000		
Queenstown Trails Trust	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$75,000		
Queenstown Mountain Bike Club Inc	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000		
Around the Mountains Cycle Trail Trust					
Tāhuna Ride and Conservation					

Welcoming Communities

Organisation	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	One-off grant	Notes
Queenstown Nepalese Society					
The Kiwi Kit Community Trust	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000		
Queenstown Citizen's Advice	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000		
Queenstown Fijian Community Charitable Trust					
Korean Association Queenstown					

Key:

	Approved (\$)
	Declined but funded from opex
	Declined
	Held over for later discussion

The meeting adjourned at 5.00pm and resumed on Thursday, 6 June 2024 at 11.00am. It continued in public excluded.

Minutes of a meeting of the Queenstown Lakes District Council meeting as the Community Fund Panel held in the Armstrong Room, Lake Wānaka Centre, Wānaka on Thursday 6 June 2024 commencing at 11.00am

Present:

Mayor Glyn Lewers; Councillors Bartlett (on line), Bruce, Cocks, Ferguson, Gladding, Guy, Smith, Tucker, White and Wong

Apologies:

Councillor Whitehead

In attendance:

Mr Simon Battrick (Acting General Manager, Community Services), Ms Marie Day (Community Partnerships Manager)(on line), Mr Giovanni Stephens (Community Investment Advisor) (on line) and Ms Jane Robertson (Senior Governance Advisor)

Declarations

Councillor Guy declared a conflict of interest in relation to Whakatipu Community Hub Charitable Trust she was a current member. She undertook to take no part in discussion about a funding allocation to the Trust or voting on it.

1. Recommended Allocations for Community Funding Applications

Consideration was given to a small number of applications that had been deferred from the meeting held on 21 May 2024. Officers presented the following recommendations for further discussion:

Applicant	Amount Requested	One-off allocation 2024/25	Initial recommendation	Final recommendation
Kingston Community Association	\$20,000	\$10,000	\$0	\$0
Whakatipu Community Hub Charitable Trust	\$75,000 to \$95,000	\$0	\$20,000	\$0
Shaping Our Future	\$30,000 to \$50,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$25,000
Whakatipu Wilding Conifer Control Group	\$500,000	\$0	\$500,000	\$450,000
Upper Clutha Wilding Tree Group	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$50,000
Unallocated balance				\$20,000

Whakatipu Community Hub Charitable Trust

Mr Battrick detailed his recent meetings with the Trust to persuade them to moderate their plans. He noted that the original plans of developing a building at a cost of >\$50M was not feasible in the current environment and the current proposal was a single storey building at a cost of \$12-15M. The Trust recognised that its membership did not have the necessary skill sets and the funding application had been to appoint a fundraiser.

Decision: \$0 allocation from community fund and look to provide funding support from operational costs. Potentially report ongoing progress to Community Services Committee.

Shaping Our Future ('SoF')

Without being too prescriptive, there was agreement that Council funded work undertaken by SOF needed to achieve something the Council wanted/needed. It was noted that ongoing management of SoF would sit with Strategy and Policy which it was hoped would result in greater understanding and oversight.

Decision: \$25,000 per year for each of the next three years.

Whakatipu Wilding Conifer Control Group ('WWCCG') and Upper Clutha Wilding Tree Group

It was noted that Council had funded WWCCG at \$500,000 per annum for a number of years and reducing it to \$450,000 in order to allocate \$50,000 to another wilding tree organisation may result in the group's expectations not being met, despite their skill at accessing funding. It was agreed that this should be reviewed in the next annual plan to consider how funding could be allocated from operational budgets.

Decision: WWCCG: \$450,000 in 2024/25, 2025/26 and 2026/27

Upper Clutha Wilding Tree Group: \$50,000 in 2024/25, 2025/26 and 2026/27

Kingston Community Association

It was agreed that in addition to the one-off allocation of \$10,000, to add a further \$7,000.

Decision: Total allocation of \$17,000 to assist with development of Kingston Pump Track.

Unallocated balance of \$20,000

Decision: Additional \$10,000 to Te Atamira and \$10,000 to KiwiHarvest.

In summary, the funding allocations agreed at the resumption of the meeting were as follows:

- Whakatipu Community Hub Charitable Trust: \$0
- Shaping Our Future: \$25,000 in 2024/25, 2025/26 and 2026/27
- Whakatipu Wilding Conifer Control Group ('WWCCG'): \$450,000 in 2024/25, 2025/26 and 2026/27
- Upper Clutha Wilding Tree Group: \$50,000 in 2024/25, 2025/26 and 2026/27
- Kingston Community Association: \$17,000 in total granted to Kingston Pump Track (\$10,000 + \$7,000)
- Te Atamira: Additional grant of \$10,000 for 2024/25, 2025/26 and 2026/27
- KiwiHarvest: Additional grant of \$10,000 for 2024/25, 2025/26 and 2026/27

The meeting came out of public excluded and concluded at 11.50am.