



August 2017

Glyn Lewers  
Frankton Community Association  
Via email: [franktoncommunity@gmail.com](mailto:franktoncommunity@gmail.com)

Dear Glyn,

RE: YOUR SUBMISSION TO THE ANNUAL PLAN 2017-18

My sincere thanks for making a submission to our most recent Annual Plan process. Hearing the voice of our community is an integral part of our planning process and this year has provided some particularly valuable insights. We took each submission into account when making decisions for the final Annual Plan, which was adopted by full council on 23 June.

Your submission was reviewed by the team here at QLDC and we wanted to provide some specific feedback. Thank you for your comprehensive and detailed submission, it raises a number of good points which I have sought to address in turn below. However, firstly I am keen to acknowledge the frustration that is apparent in your submission. We are not always in a position to provide exact dates and timelines to the items you raise, but felt it was important to respond with available information and to continue to build a partnership with the community association.

The Frankton Community is at the heart of one of the trickiest problems we're trying to solve in the District, traffic and congestion. The significant cost of roading changes and the broad network of stakeholders involved means that we need to play the long game and get the process right. Whilst it may seem bureaucratic, the better our business cases are, the more likely we are to receive suitable funding and the better the ultimate outcome for everyone will be. We really do appreciate your patience and our Programme Director, Gareth Noble, is always available to discuss the detail of this further. Please contact him on [gareth.noble@qldc.govt.nz](mailto:gareth.noble@qldc.govt.nz)

Because of the complexity of the parking and congestion challenge in the Frankton area, we are keen ensure a fully aligned approach that minimises disruption. As such, your requests for changes to footpaths, trails and roading will need to be addressed in relation to the bigger picture. It's important we continue to build our relationship with central government in order to meet infrastructure requirements related to growth. There has been excellent progress over the past 12 months and I'm confident that the relationships with our regional partners are strong and that our approaches to central government are gaining traction.

Public Transport - The Infrastructure team is currently reviewing the Transport Strategy and the associated programme of works. A new strategy will be formulated before the end of 2017 with the intention to identify significant funding in the Ten Year Plan 2018-28. Your comments have been shared with the Infrastructure team.

Water Quality - We agree that water quality is of central importance to everyone in the District and thank you for your support. We are committed to working with the Otago Regional Council to protect this essential resource effectively. Stormwater is an area that we are going to focus on within our Ten Year Plan 2018-28 and your comments have been shared with the infrastructure team.

Frankton Beach - Thank you for your support and input to date in developing this beautiful part of the District. Please continue to liaise with our Parks and Reserves Manager, Stephen Quin in relation to the project's progress. He is contactable on [stephen.quin@qldc.govt.nz](mailto:stephen.quin@qldc.govt.nz) and is working on the provisions for the Long Term Plan 2018-28 at the moment.

Frankton Camp Ground - As the Frankton Camp ground lease expires on 31 August 2018 we will be investigating a range of options to best meet the needs of the community. These options will be developed over the course of the next year, with any decision being taken in advance of the lease expiry date.

Second Kawarau Bridge - The provision of a second Kawarau Bridge may be considered in the future, but we are keen to understand the impact of the full opening of the new Hawthorne Drive link (December 2017) and the new Kawarau Bridge first. This will provide us and our partners at NZTA with useful data and decision-making information.

Bathroom Playground - We received overwhelming support from local families through the submissions process for the proposed destination playground at the Bath House. A key objective of the project is to bring our locals back into town and ensure that we get a mix of locals and visitors in the CBD. This is a big focus area for the Queenstown Town Centre Masterplan and your very valid concern really underlines how important it is that we get that right.

Thank you for the time and energy you commit to your community - I look forward to continuing this conversation in future. Our Ten Year Plan consultation process will be kicking off in the next few months and we will be approaching you to set up a specific session within your community. Please continue to liaise with Jan Maxwell ([jan.maxwell@qldc.govt.nz](mailto:jan.maxwell@qldc.govt.nz)) and Marie Day ([marie.day@qldc.govt.nz](mailto:marie.day@qldc.govt.nz)) in order to uplift your Community Association grant of \$5000.

We highlighted several other key issues in the plan this year and you can view a summary of our position on these, as well as a summary of the grants and funds allocated, on our website at [www.qldc.govt.nz](http://www.qldc.govt.nz).

On behalf of everyone at QLDC, thank you for taking part in this important process. It's inspiring to see such energy and pride in our District. We look forward to continuing these conversations over the forthcoming year and working together to deliver some great results for this wonderful part of the world.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jim Boulton', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Jim Boulton  
Mayor  
Queenstown Lakes District Council