



*"What you do makes a difference,  
and you have to decide what kind  
of difference you want to make."*

*- Jane Goodall -*

### Climate Change Challenge

We invite you to join Shaping our Future in confronting the challenges Climate Change presents to our communities in the Queenstown Lakes District.

How will we be impacted by climate change, and what should we do in response to those impacts?

How can our community have impact on climate change - at individual, local, or (inter) national levels?

What are our options, and how do we decide our priorities?

All welcome - please share with your contacts!

Wakatipu Basin  
Monday 6th May, 6pm  
Wakatipu High School  
RSVP: [Register Here](#) or  
email [Executive@shapingourfuture.org.nz](mailto:Executive@shapingourfuture.org.nz)

Upper Clutha  
Tuesday 7th May, 6pm  
Lake Wanaka Centre  
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Our understanding of the impacts of climate change within the Queenstown Lakes continues to grow - whether thinking of changes to

winter snow; of more extreme and frequent flooding events on the one hand, or of longer dry spells or even droughts on the other; threats to water quality and catchments; vulnerability to slips and soil erosion; changes to food production; transport; construction; energy systems; and a myriad of potential ecosystem impacts.

[\(You can read more about the expected impact on our region here.\)](#)

How should we respond to this increased understanding, and where do you think our priorities and options are in preparing for and safeguarding against these changes?

Our children, grandchildren and beyond will be impacted on by the decisions we make now.

Camille Khouri is a local mum and writer read her blog post about parenting through climate change [here](#).

Similarly, our understanding of the causes and consequences of climate change globally also continues to grow. What should we do prepare for and respond to those global consequences; and how can we best contribute to counteracting the causes?

We are a unique region with many unique communities - perhaps we have equally unique opportunities for impact and consequences to cope with? Join us, help us, as we work through our best options for coping with the impacts climate change will have upon us, and our best options to have greatest impact upon it.

