



## Glenorchy Task Force Meeting Agenda

Thursday 23 July 2015, Glenorchy School, 7pm

Apologies: Fiona McQueen, Pete Reid, Kate Scott

Attendees: Allie McHugo, Corrine David, Tussock, Luke Hasslemen, Mark Hassleman, Robert Bakhuis, Brent Hyde, Anita Golden (Shaping our Future)

1. Minutes of last meeting – all ok minor adjustments made my AG
2. Environmental – Log – Requirements for outstanding landscape (hand out)
  - a. Discussed need to have district plan definition of 'outstanding national beauty'. This is influenced by the District plan and environment court.
  - b. Discussed cumulative effects in town of light, noise eg heat pumps.
  - c. Powerlines underground – is there any way we can move it forward? Discussed effects of powerlines on views in the township. Recommendation – GCA follow up with Delta re getting the powerlines put underground.
  - d. Buildings – Current guidelines from the 2001 Community Plan incorporated into the District Plan is still current and valid. Some people don't agree but there will always be individuals.
  - e. Reiterate need for continual review of planning and areas to make sure that natural landscapes are protected, specific visual corridors are identified and protected. Make sure that QLDC process consults with the community regarding different areas.
  - f. Development is planned taking into account visual corridors that need protected eg view from Bennetts Bluff. AG suggested that it might be outside of the scope of this task force to specifically look at specific area/corridors/development etc.
  - g. Recommendation – GCA should make a submission to the Annual Plan to get ORC to establish a baseline for Glenorchy on water and air. ORC/Landcare are establishing a baseline for groundwater up the Dart in conjunction with the farmers. Some wells are monitored, may need a submission to get all of the information collated from ORC.
  - h. Fire – in zone 3 currently – dry wood, untreated wood and no industrial waste. At current predicted levels of growth, these restrictions should still ensure that air pollution is still kept to a minimum. For the GY area firewood is a naturally occurring and sustainable option for the community.
  - i. GY should be leading the way in sustainable/environmental leadership for small communities.
  - j. Sewage – opportunity for Glenorchy to lead the way in environmentally sound, long term solutions. Discussed the cost of being sustainable eg sustainable sewage system may cost more. Education of QLDC in sustainable methods eg Kapiti Coast have educated councillors in sustainability therefore they work from that platform.
  - k. Recycling – great system in place at the moment – zero waste difficult to achieve. Its about education, making good choices re food purchases, packaging. AH – run a timebank – barter time based on activities eg Manakau School use time bank for the

people who come in and read at the school. Examples: Littleton, Raglan, Otaki. Project Eden UK.

- l. Light pollution – need to be conscious of it eg photography is a big thing at the moment, we need to protect the natural night sky – aurora's. Developments on the hill, naked bulbs more visible. Eg Ohau lighting is a good example of good lighting.
  - m. Infill of lake – will be filled in to GY in 50 years. Encourage gravel extraction. Town needs to be lifted to future proof them against rising lake levels.
  - n. Agriculture Sustainability is moving along in different ways. The Rees Valley already has a group in place.
  - o. Noise – heat pumps creating ambient noise. Need to make sure that the heat pumps are being used efficiently.
  - p. Aviation – current movements in and out of airport – maintain current status. Local operators good at being conscious of noise pollution affecting GY.
3. Survey – Tussock – reason for repeating is comments re community is changing. Could use 2001 as a baseline – could repeat it now to see how the community has changed? Would be good to see if the community values have changed, are of the old issues still relevant. Tussock to send AG copy of 2001 survey to take to the SG for comment.
  4. Administration – going forward AG suggested they think about someone that might be able to take minutes, circulate etc instead of AG
  5. Luke – leaving at the end of August.
  6. Other issues: exotic plants??? May need more work.
  7. Sewage – need to discuss next time.
    - a. Need a sustainable system:
    - b. Zero water, zero waste, zero impact.
    - c. Recommendation for a sustainable/environmentally sustainable sewage system.
    - d. Can Shaping our Future help group with forum results to submit behind Tussock group. Log – appears there is two different groups supporting two different systems. AG to look through raw data and see if we could provide Tussock with some information for the council.

Next Meeting: SWOT analysis on Glenorchy, Sustainability,

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August. Apology: Brent Hyde

Feedback provided by John Glover via email prior to meeting

Having spent 5 weeks travelling through Asia and now into Europe, I realise just how pristine our local environment is and can see how easily it will (not may) get trashed as tourism / population grows.

Zero waste - what is it that is getting dumped that could be reused and why isn't it?  
Local food waste dump?

More waste disposal points around the town to prevent littering.

Doc need to put waste collection at trailhead car parks. Other countries don't understand the 'pack it out' approach. Sure it costs to empty bins, but the cost is better than litter scattered along the

roadsides.

Could crushed glass make a suitable medium for septic treatment fields

What option for battery recycling. Pretty much everywhere else in the world does this.

A network of public water spouts to refill drinking bottles. Around the waterfront, by the wharf, on the boardwalk, routeburn car park.....

Can GY agree to aim to be broom/gorse/bracken free

How to ensure/ preserve dark skies.

Noise pollution - can next generation of jet boats be as quiet as the ones on Shotover? Capping the amount of noise from the airstrip.