

Sustainable Glenorchy Inc.

Grand Mt Earnslaw Hotel – RM191318

Update

18 December 2020

The resource consent is likely, in our opinion, to be approved.

- The height and bulk of the hotel is considered acceptable by both the QLDC officers involved and the applicant despite community concern.
- The majority of car parking is to be on the streets.
- The liquefaction risk for the site may be determined as part of the process.
- The commissioners have asked for more information on how natural hazards have been determined previously and whether the applicant wishes to undertake further geotechnical and engineering assessments.
- The commissioners aim to give their decision before mid-January 2021.

The hearing process

- Height poles were erected on site for 36 hours so commissions could view them (see photos below).
- The hearing took 2 days with the applicant making changes to layout but not the height and witnesses giving evidence and answering the commissioners' questions.
- The ORC opposed the consent because, in their opinion, the natural hazards of the site and the risks were significant and further assessment is necessary.
- Nine members of the Glenorchy community gave further oral/written submissions (8 opposed and 1 in favour).

Photo 1



Height poles viewed from Benmore Place looking East. The black lines hatched area shows the building height and bulk. Note the hills obscured by the building and the perspective compared with Glenorchy Motors building behind and Fraser's house (red roof) on the left.

Photo 2



A similar view of the original, unmodified proposal provided to the community, November 2019.

If you have any concerns about the proposed hotel that you would like to discuss call **Bruce Farmer**
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