

## Getting stuff done

Read, comment and get involved

## Why this document?

This is to update you about Shaping our Future October 2012





# What is Shaping our Future?

A people-led process designed to create a great future for our district

#### Who's behind it?

Volunteers working towards a better community. Current Steering Group is Alastair Porter, Alexa Forbes, David Kennedy, Ella Lawton, Pete Bullen, Sally Battson and Vanessa van Uden plus facilitators Steve Henry and Dave Roberts. Previous members included, Debra Lawson, the late John Aspinall and Sue Coutts

#### Why?

By putting our heads together we can get better decision-making, get better interaction between people and agencies such as QLDC - and create a better future

#### How?

It starts with public forums and online discussions where people talk about options, progress to putting together task forces to work through issues, then ultimately presents recommendations to local and national agencies. We're already underway



## **Get** involved

### Why?

- Create our own solutions to issues
- Take control of the future and get our rates and taxes working in an agreed way
- It'll help you, your kids, neighbours and friends and ultimately your business and lifestyle
- Reports such as the Events Task Force report make sense to decision makers – they're considered and present real solutions
- Research shows Government agencies implement around 80% of recommendations from this type of work

#### How?

- Turn up to a forum
- Put your hand up to help on a task force
- Comment on this document, especially the vision and priorities
- Attend the AGM
- Jump online to observe or have a say

# How does it work?

Attend public forums or join online

Locals volunteer expertise for task forces

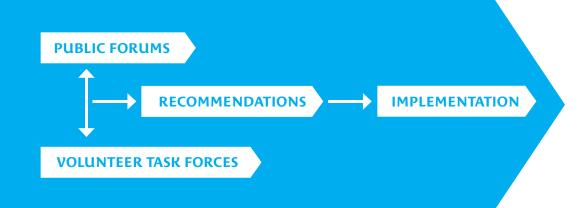
Task force goes back to public forum

Forum approved recommendations go to relevant agencies

Action



# The **Process**



# What's been done so far?

- A volunteer steering group has set up forums, found funding for facilitation and is setting up an incorporated society
- A draft vision has been proposed to guide decision-making for the future
- 1000 people have had a say on what the future could look like, what they really cared about, and what they would do to improve things. This has included work from artists, writers, students and economists
- First forums have been completed, two task forces set up
- A website has been built where you can see minutes of meetings, view the work of others, catch up, learn, comment and contribute



## Success story: Events Forum

Why was EVENTS the subject of the first forum?

It had been identified as an issue and it provided an opportunity to test the Shaping our Future process

### How it was done

- Series of meetings Wanaka, Cardrona and Queenstown identified and discussed issues facing sector and envisaged how a successful events future would look - established Task Force
- Task force set up Brent Harridge, James Helmore, Jan Maxwell, Lyal Cocks, Olivia Porter, Penny Clark, Simon Green, Tony Everitt, Victoria Murray-Orr
- Considered issues and solutions, prepared detailed report which was delivered back to forum for tweaking. Report sent to QLDC for Annual Plan funding
- Report recommended cash and support for a regional events office
- \$100,000 **secured** plus office support from QLDC
- Application to Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment for discussion and buy-in

EVENTS task force report available at: www.shapingourfuture.org.nz



### The bigger the word the more it was used in discussions about the future



# The Future we want

### 1000 people contributed online and at forums

Through facilitated public meetings in Makarora, Glenorchy, Kingston, Wanaka, Luggate, Arrowtown and Queenstown, online surveys, contributions from the U3A (University of the Third Age), Chambers of Commerce and school children we created a commonly held vision and priorities we should work on



# The Vision "Spectacular environments, enterprising people, exceptional solutions"

Individuals and groups committed to finding creative ways to build better lives, for now and for generations to come. A district embracing the concepts of Kaitiakitanga and Manaakitanga. Applying these values reflects our intention to move forward together, based on a shared approach.

KAITIAKITANGA means guardianship, care and protection. It includes the management of natural, cultural, and built environment resources for current and future generations

MANAAKITANGA implies a reciprocal responsibility upon a host, and an invitation to a visitor to experience the best we have to offer.

This vision is for you to consider. The next vision review is in December 2012

### The Priorities

These are what people identified as most important

- Preserve and enhance the environment
- Community development
- Education
- Engagement in governance
- Diverse economy
- Infrastructure/facilities
- Build self-sufficiency
- Connectivity
- Tourism
- History
- Town Development



# What's Happening Now?

### An economic futures review process is underway

- **Forums held** in June and July 2011 in Cardrona, Wanaka, Queenstown. To reconvene when task force report ready
- Terms of reference established
- Task Force established
   Lyal Cocks, Alistair King, Yoji Kimura, Sarah Bogle, Anthony Mason, Nick Brown, Martin Hawes
- Scoping work complete
   Report due by end of year

### Get Involved

### Register your interest at www.shapingourfuture.org.nz

- Indicate the task forces you'd be interested in
- comment on the vision and priorities

