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Subject: QLDC Representation Review

Hi there Arrowtown Village Association

Thanks for taking the time to tell us your thoughts about the Representation Review.

Here's a copy of your submission:

**Your name:**

Arrowtown Village Association

**Do you wish to speak in support of your submission at a hearing on 13 August?**

No

**Do you agree with the proposed representation arrangements for the Queenstown Lakes District?**

Agree

**Why or why not?**

The Arrowtown Village Association represents the people of Arrowtown and believes that normal criteria for representation cannot be applied to Arrowtown. The town is simply not a 'normal' run of the mill town and as such needs dedicated representation. The very special nature of Arrowtown, its unique character, its historical heritage, and its tourist potential all mean that careful monitoring, guardianship and management are required. This can be achieved by various means but one of the key elements in meeting these outcomes is by having a dedicated Councillor. Having its own Councillor is not new for Arrowtown and it has proved to be invaluable for the smooth running of the town. The Arrowtown Village Association does not believe that this could be achieved by having a 'General' Councillor appointed to the role. It is essential, in our view, that the town has its own dedicated representative given the extraordinary nature of the village.

**Do you have any further comments?**

We do not believe that growing the village to the point where it became compliant is an option. We firmly believe that the village should not be expanded beyond its present boundaries in order to make it compliant. Whilst the resident population is below the compliance threshold, the number of people within the town at any one time due to tourism is considerably greater. This coupled with the fact that Arrowtown has both a National and International reputation all serve to reinforce the absolute need to have a dedicated Councillor to serve the town. Martin Barrett Deputy Chairman - AVA

**I understand that all submissions will be treated as public information.**

*Your name and comments may be publicly available, however we will not disclose your contact details.*

I understand