

30 May 2022

Wayne Scott

Sent via email to fyi-request-19047-7b869af9@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Wayne,

REQUEST FOR OFFICIAL INFORMATION – RELEASE OF INFORMATION

We refer to your official information request dated 4 April 2022. You requested the following information from the Queenstown Lakes District Council (QLDC):

On 4 May 2022, we sent you a response for your original request above. On the same day you sent us an email with the following questions. In addition, we requested an extension to respond to your further request.

- Are you saying there has been no correspondence with any party related to the private occupiers of the hut since 1997?
- Are you able to advise how many non-related members of the public have been able to book this hut since 1997?
- Are you able to advise why it has taken over 12 months for the hut to revert to Council management?
- Are you further advising that there has been private occupation of public land for over 25 years with no monies being paid to the Council?

QLDC response

- *Are you saying there has been no correspondence with any party related to the private occupiers of the hut since 1997?*

To address this part of your request we consulted our records team who have access to the manual searching of the files and documents and they have provided the below response:

- There are a number of documents on the property file which are available to the public via eDocs. These include the building consent that was applied for by APL on behalf of QLDC in 2014 to install a wood burner in the QLDC hut and the resource consent and building consent applications from M Robertson and B Douglas from 1997 to rebuild their hut.

Welcome to eDocs

pig

Search results:

Property Number	Valuation ID	Address	Legal Description
2993	2907306600	PIG & PIGEON ISLANDS LAKE WAKATIPU 9371	SECS 2-3 BLK X GLENORCHY SD SEC 4 BLK XI II UPPER WAKATIPU S D
23308	2911119116	5 PIGEON PLACE GLENORCHY 9372	LOT 1 DP 381643
23318	2911119126	6 PIGEON PLACE GLENORCHY 9372	LOT 11 DP 381643
23309	2911119117	7 PIGEON PLACE GLENORCHY 9372	LOT 2 DP 381643

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Property Number: 2993 Valuation ID: 2907306600
Description: SECS 2-3 BLK X GLENORCHY SD SEC 4 BLK XI II UPPER WAKATIPU S D Address: PIG & PIGEON ISLANDS LAKE WAKATIPU 9371

Associated Documents: (Something Missing?)

Name	Size	Created
Property Information		
General Documents		Folder updated: Just Now
Building Services		
BC970165 - Erect Dwelling <i>Decision made not to issue CCC at this time - 17/03/1997, 12.00.00 am</i>		Folder updated: Just Now
BC141116 - Install Freestanding Woodburner <i>CCC Issued - 18/12/2014, 3.50:02 pm</i>		Folder updated: Just Now
Planning/Resource Management		
RM970102 - M Robinson & B Douglas - Rebuild A Hut On Pigeon Island, (Corporate Consents) <i>Issued</i>		Folder updated: Just Now

Pigeon Island was part of the APL portfolio until last year and we have since received the physical files into our archives however a full audit and digitization has not yet been completed. I have reviewed a number of physical files for Pigeon Island from the APL records, there was much discussion around the management plan including fire prevention, pest reduction etc., as well as communications about the rebuilding of the hut that spanned a few years leading up to 1997, which do not seem relevant to the request. We have found some records in these archives however we need a bit more time to complete this review.

We will endeavor to complete this by the end of this week (3 June 2022)

- *Are you able to advise how many non-related members of the public have been able to book this hut since 1997?*
- QLDC does not hold this information, nor is it requested by people booking / staying in the hut.
- *Are you able to advise why it has taken over 12 months for the hut to revert to Council management?*
- Council reviews our assets on a periodic basis and this inspection was part of the normal cycle of facilities review.
- *Are you further advising that there has been private occupation of public land for over 25 years with no monies being paid to the Council?*
- As is normal on much of Council reserve land, premise and structures can occupy land for a peppercorn occupation of \$1 per annum. QLDC does not own the building.

Please note Council has met with the relevant parties and is working on taking back the ownership & management of the Hut as informed to you in our last response following the passing away of Mr Robinson & Mr Douglas.

We trust this response satisfactorily answers your request.

Kind regards,



Poonam Sethi
Governance and official Information Advisor