## WATERFALL PARK



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## WATERFALL PARK HOTEL CONSENT APPROVED

Queenstown Lakes District Council has granted Resource Consent for a hotel and related activities, including a wellness centre, restaurants, and conference and event facilities, at Waterfall Park.

Located between Arrowtown and Lake Hayes, Waterfall Park is nestled alongside Mill Creek and at the base of a picturesque, but currently uncelebrated, natural waterfall.

Waterfall Park will deliver a luxurious experience that is both sophisticated and quintessentially New Zealand. It will become the ultimate haven for locals and visitors - whether they are travelling for business or leisure.

The tranquil setting of the day spa and wellness retreat, including facilities for yoga, mindfulness and meditation, will attract the growing number of people prioritising personal health and wellness. Accordingly, global 'wellness tourism' is expected to grow 7.5% on average per year according to the '2018 Global Wellness Institute Report'.

The conference centre will materially increase much needed event space in the Queenstown Lakes region and offer a unique experience to participants and guests in its secluded valley location.

Lauren Christie, Winton GM Queenstown said, "we are excited to be granted resource consent for Waterfall Park and look forward to progressing with the next stages of design and planning for the project, including final discussions with potential hotel operators. We are one step closer to delivering our vision for Waterfall Park, celebrating the unique natural environment that we are working hard to restore and revitalise."

In conjunction with the proposed new access road through the neighbouring Ayrburn Farm to Waterfall Park, the riparian margins of Mill Creek will be restored along a 1.3km stretch with native shrubs and grasses. This is in addition to the initial revitalisation steps that have already been completed, including the revegetation project of the valley walls to improve stream health, birdlife and biodiversity which entailed 16,000 natives planted.

Further information about Waterfall Park visit the website.

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## **ABOUT WATERFALL PARK**

One of Queenstown's undiscovered natural treasures will be soon revitalised with extensive landscaping, restored heritage charm and access trails. Alongside will sit world class accommodation, a selection of restaurants, meeting and event spaces, a chapel, day spa and wellness retreat. Waterfall Park will deliver a destination experience that is both luxurious yet quintessentially New Zealand.