



Shaping our Future Board Nominations 2018

Shaping our Future Inc is governed by a volunteer elected board of 10 with 2 co-opted spaces that are elected by the board. In 2018 we have five spaces available and five nominations.

Standing down: Esther Whitehead and Kathy Dedo

Standing for Re-election: Alastair Porter, Reece Gibson and Guy Hughes

Standing: Maree Baker-Galloway and Shaun Gilbertson

Alastair Porter (re-standing)

I'm Chairman and CEO of Porter Group Ltd, including its Queenstown subsidiaries Remarkables Park Ltd, Shotover Park Ltd and Queenstown Park Station. I'm a past president and a current member of the Queenstown Chamber of Commerce I'm also a member of the Urban Land Institute. I have a B.Com, am an ACA and a Fellow of the Institute of Directors. I have held executive and non-executive directorships in a wide range of businesses and have been part of Queenstown's business community for more than 20 years.

I'm a co-founder and member of Shaping Our Future and a current Chair of the Board. I consider SoF has made appropriately steady progress in terms of achievements and recognition to date. I believe and if re-elected will advocate SoF should now be seeking to increase its funding from a broader range of sources to further significantly raise the SoF "brand awareness" and to enable a wider range of community driven projects to be pursued and successfully implemented.

Guy Hughes (re-standing)

I came to town in 1993 and opened Queenstown Language School. I also opened a school in Christchurch in 98 which was closed after the Chch earthquake, Queenstown Sea Kayaks, and more recently Queenstown Montessori, which was a very satisfying project from start to finish. I still own and am involved in the running of Queenstown Language school 23 years after opening it.

I'm a South Island boy. Studied Geography and Zoology at Canterbury University, Shepherded for a while, and did my OE including two years in Japan where I taught and studied. I have two kids here at Queenstown Primary school.

From 2015-17 I was Chair of the Queenstown Transport taskforce which I found challenging and satisfying. I continue to travel, but have sufficient time to contribute to the Board.

Maree Baker-Galloway

I was co-opted onto the Shaping our Future board in 2017 and am currently Chair of the Queenstown Freshwater taskforce.

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Maree Baker-Galloway

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Areas of expertise

- Environment, planning and natural resources
- Tourism
- Urban development
- Freshwater and marine issues
- Clean technology, energy and industry

Relevant experience

Maree specialises in environmental law, specifically the Resource Management Act, the Conservation Act and related legislation. Maree is experienced in complex project management, collaborative processes, solution focused alternative dispute resolution and litigation.

Maree:

- Practices in the Queenstown Lakes District and acts for numerous landowners, developers and residents
- Chairs the Ministers of Conservation and Primary Industries South-East Marine Protection Forum, a 14-member community-led forum to consider and recommend areas for protection in the Otago coastal marine area.

- Advises tourism operators on Conservation Act, planning and consenting
- Advises Iwi and Māori organisations on water related matters
- Provides assistance to public interest groups such as Fish and Game councils, Whitewater New Zealand and Public Access New Zealand.
- Maintains good working relationships with peak industry organisations and government departments such as Strattera, Tourism Industry Aotearoa, New Zealand Green Building Council, the Sustainable Business Council, the Department of Conservation, the New Zealand Walking Access Commission and the Ministry for the Environment.

Maree:

- Was on the national executive for the Resource Management Law Association (RMLA) from 2007 to 2017, serving from 2015 to 2017 as President
- Is on the local committee for the Resource Management Law Association
- Is the co-author of the LexisNexis "Focus on Resource Management Law"
- Is a member of the Institute of Directors and the Resource Management Law Association of New Zealand

Reece Gibson (re-standing)

I am a Professional Engineer who has lived and worked in Queenstown for over 19 years and watched as Queenstown and the Lakes District has grappled with the pressures of its popularity and rapid growth. I am a member of the Queenstown Tennis Club and the highly successful Southern Lakes Tennis Team, as well as being the Vice Club President. I am also a member of the Queenstown Lions Club.

I am a current member of the Shaping Our Future Board, and prior was involved with the Shaping Our Future Transport Task Force as Deputy Chair. Through my profession, I understand the importance of good planning and community engagement in shaping the future of our district and have been impressed with Shaping Our Future's ability to achieve this and deliver good outcomes for our communities, with a focus on accountability for results. I enjoy the natural beauty of the Queenstown Lakes area and believe in allowing for well-planned future growth in an integrated and sustainable manner. I like to take a considered approach to matters to be able to see the bigger picture, but also focus on the detail when required, and believes that my skills will continue to benefit the Shaping Our Future Board and the desired community outcomes.

Shaun Gilbertson

I have been living in the Wanaka area for the past 38 years, and have holidayed here all my life. In 1980 I came to Wanaka to work at Cardrona Ski Resort where I worked for 25 years, I was Manager for twenty of those years. In 2005 I took up the position of General Manager of the Southern Hemisphere Proving Grounds where I have been employed for the past thirteen years.

During the 80's and 90's I had considerable involvement in marketing winter tourism for Wanaka, both domestically and internationally. I was also chairman of the NZ Ski Areas Association for seven years.

Locally I was on the board of Wanaka Community Networks for four years and spent many years on the Wanaka Winter Festival committee.

In particular, I have a strong interest in how Wanaka has grown over the past forty years with tourism being the main driver, and how that reflects on our planning and infrastructure. I am concerned how possible future growth projections for both Wanaka and Queenstown will affect Wanaka and its intrinsic values both for the communities in the Upper Clutha and Wanaka, whilst taking into account tourist expectations.