

LOCAL GOVERNMENT NEW ZEALAND CONFERENCE 2012 : QUEENSTOWN

The annual Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) Conference and Annual General Meeting was held in Queenstown over the period 15th to 17th July this year.

The new Government proposals for "Better Local Government" was a key topic addressed at the Conference. The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the LGNZ organisation was held on 15th July prior to the Conference proper.

Waitomo District Council was represented at the AGM and the Conference by the Mayor and Chief Executive.

In reporting on the Conference some print Media focussed on the cost associated with sending representatives.

The following information is supplied in the public interest.

How many representatives of your Council did you send to the local government conference in Queenstown? **Two**

Please provide details of all the expenses incurred to the council. **See Tables below**

How many were accompanied by partners? **Two**

Note: Council's policy is that it will pay for the air travel of the spouses of the Mayor and Chief Executive when they attend this annual conference. **Council did not incur any costs for partners to visit Queenstown or attend the LGNZ Conference.**

What expenses were incurred by elected members? **See Table below**

What expenses were incurred by non-elected members? **See Table below**

Please provide a breakdown of the expenses for each person (staff and councillors) in the following categories: where these were purchased from and on what dates. **See Tables below**

MAYOR	Expense \$	Supplier	Notes
Conference Registration	1,450.00	LGNZ	Registration included 1 x Breakfast, 1 x Dinner and a Technical Tour
Flights	364.00	Air NZ Online	Paid personally – to be reimbursed
Taxi Fares	73.00	Queenstown Taxis	
Accommodation	420.00	Millenium Hotel	
Meals	46.00	Millenium Hotel	
Total	\$2,353.00		

CHIEF EXECUTIVE	Expense \$	Supplier	Notes
Conference Registration	1,450.00	LGNZ	Registration included 1 x Breakfast, 1 x Dinner and a Technical Tour
Flights	476.00	Air NZ Online	
Taxi Fares	71.00	Queenstown Taxis	
Car Parking	142.00	Auckland Airport	
Accommodation	630.00	Millenium Hotel	
Meals	107.75	Millenium Hotel	
Total	\$2,876.75		