



I hereby give notice that an ordinary meeting of the Rural Advisory Panel will be held on:

**Date:** Friday, 31 January 2014  
**Time:** 1:00pm (lunch available from 12.30pm)  
**Meeting Room:** Civic15 Meeting Room  
**Venue:** 1 Greys Avenue  
Auckland

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## Rural Advisory Panel

### OPEN AGENDA

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#### MEMBERSHIP

<b>Chairperson</b>	Cr Bill Cashmore	Franklin Ward Councillor
<b>Deputy Chairperson/s</b>	<i>To be appointed</i>	
<b>Members</b>	Bill Bourke	Aggregate & Quarry Assoc
	Wendy Clark	Federated Farmers
	Alan Cole	Franklin Local Board Member
	Trish Fordyce	NZ Forest Owners Assoc
	Richard Gardner	Federated Farmers
	Thomas Grace	Rodney Local Board Member
	Chris Keenan	Horticulture NZ
	Brian Mason	Landowners & Contractors Protection Assoc Inc
	Callum McCallum	Acquaculture Industry
	Bill Millar	Fonterra
	Helen Moodie	Dairy NZ
	Roger Parton	Rural Contractors NZ and Aggregate & Quarry Assoc
	Geoff Smith	Equine Industry
	Peter Spencer	NZ Forest Owners Association
	Keith Vallabh	Pukekohe Vegetable Growers Assoc
	Cr Penny Webster	Rodney Ward Councillor

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## **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

### **PURPOSE**

- To identify and communicate to the Council the interest and preferences of the rural based industries and rural communities of Auckland in relation to:
  - the content of the strategies, policies, plans, and bylaws of the Council, and
  - any matter that the Panel considers to be of particular interest or concern to the rural based industries and rural communities of Auckland.
- To advise the Mayor and the Council's Governing Body and local boards, of the Council processes and mechanisms for engagement with the rural based industries and communities in Auckland.
- To deliver recommendations for accelerating the social, economic, environmental and cultural performance of the rural part of the Auckland Council region.

### **SCOPE**

To provide a forum for consideration of issues affecting the rural part of the Auckland Council area and recommendations to Council including (but not limited to):

- Driving economic growth
- Food and fibre production and associated food and beverage processing (value adding) and equine based activities
- Research and development support
- Environmental resource issues including quarrying and aggregate production
- Ecological, landscape and coastal values
- Service delivery
- Rural infrastructure, including transport
- Biosecurity
- Amenities and open space
- Transport
- Rating.

**ITEM TABLE OF CONTENTS** (timings are an indication)

**1 Apologies**

At the close of the agenda no apologies had been received.

**2 Confirmation of Minutes**

There are no minutes for confirmation.

**3 Welcome and introduction** (1.05pm – 1.35pm)

The Chair – welcome and introductions. Each member will be invited to give a two minute self-introduction.

**4 Additional items for consideration, not on the agenda** (1.35pm – 1.40pm)

Opportunity for identification of any other matters requiring consideration by the Panel.

**5 The role of the Rural Advisory Panel and the aspirations for the next three years** (1.40pm – 1.55pm)

The Chair will initiate discussion on the Panel's role and focus for this term.

**6 Role of staff and relationship with the Panel** (1.55pm – 2.00pm)

Warren Maclennan, Manager Planning - North/West, will clarify the roles of staff supporting the Panel.

**7 Key– topics** (2.00pm - 2.40pm)

Background information regarding the following key topics:

- Submission – National Policy Statement on Freshwater Management – Roger Bannister
- Marine Spatial Plan for Hauraki Gulf – Sea Change Project and Processes – Dominic McCarthy

**8 Environmental Awards** (2.40pm – 2.45pm)

Gael Ogilvie, Manager Environmental Services, will provide an Auckland perspective on the Environmental Awards.

**9 Proposed Auckland Unitary Plan** (2.45pm – 2.55pm)

Warren Maclennan, Manager Planning - North/West, will outline the process going forward.

**10 Rural Industry Group** (2.55pm – 3.15pm)

Discussion regarding the objectives, membership, meeting format, venue and topics for the Rural Industry Group.

**11 Appointment of Deputy Chairs (North and South)** (3.15pm – 3.20pm)

**12 General Business** (3.20pm - close)