
Rural Advisory Panel

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Rural Advisory Panel held in Room 1, Level 26, 135 Albert Street, Auckland on Friday, 27 May 2016 at 12.30pm.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Cr Bill Cashmore	Franklin Ward Councillor
Deputy Chairperson South	Alan Cole	Franklin Local Board Member
Deputy Chairperson North	Thomas Grace	Rodney Local Board Member
Members	Marie Appleton	Rural Women NZ
	Dean Blythen	Landowners & Contractors Protection Association Inc
	Richard Gardner	Federated Farmers
	Chris Keenan	Horticulture NZ
	Steve Levet	Rural Contractors NZ
	Andrew Maclean	Federated Farmers
	Greg McCracken	Fonterra
	Andrew McKenzie	Beef and Lamb NZ
	Roger Parton	Rural Contractors NZ and Aggregate & Quarry Association
	Keith Vallabh	Pukekohe Vegetable Growers Association
	Glenn Wilcox	Independent Māori Statutory Board

ABSENT

Wendy Clark
Viv Dostine
Neil Henderson
Callum McCallum
Helen Moodie
Peter Spencer
Geoff Smith
Bronwen Turner
Cr Penny Webster

ALSO PRESENT

Jill Naysmith, Franklin Local Board

The Chairperson welcomed members and acknowledged new members Greg McCracken, representing Fonterra, replacing Member Tracey Clark, and Andrew Maclean, representing Federated Farmers (Wendy Clark will now be the alternate) and opened the meeting.

1 Apologies

Resolution number RUR/2016/15

MOVED by Chairperson W Cashmore, seconded by Deputy Chairperson A Cole:

That the Rural Advisory Panel:

- a) **accept the apologies from Cr MP Webster and Members W Clark, Neil Henderson, H Moodie, G Smith, P Spencer and B Turner for absence.**

CARRIED

2 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number RUR/2016/16

MOVED by Member TP Grace, seconded by Deputy Chairperson A Cole:

That the Rural Advisory Panel:

- a) **confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Friday, 15 April 2016, as a true and correct record.**

CARRIED

4 Additional Items for Consideration

The following were suggested as additional items for consideration:

- extending/removing urban boundaries and the effect on productive land and aggregates
- spraying certificates issued by Auckland Council
- outstanding natural features
- concerns over rural road sealing priorities (Rodney)
- National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management – Rural Advisory Panel involvement.

4 Ballance Farm Environment Supreme Award winners - Dianne and Richard Kidd

Dianne and Richard Kidd were present to address the panel.

A video presentation about the Kidd's farm was provided.

Resolution number RUR/2016/17

MOVED by Chairperson W Cashmore, seconded by Member R Parton:

That the Rural Advisory Panel:

- a) **thank Dianne and Richard Kidd for their attendance and presentation.**
- b) **congratulate Dianne and Richard Kidd for their success in the Ballance Farm Environment Awards.**

CARRIED

5 Equine Industry presentation on current projects

New Zealand Equine Industry Training Organisation Chairperson, Anne Phillips, was present to address the panel regarding current projects in the equine industry.

A PowerPoint presentation was provided, a copy has been placed on the official minutes and will be available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

Resolution number RUR/2016/18

MOVED by Chairperson W Cashmore, seconded by Member G Wilcox:

That the Rural Advisory Panel:

- a) **thank Anne Phillips for her attendance and presentation on current projects in the Equine Industry.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 27 May 2016 - Rural Advisory Panel - Item 5 - Current projects in the Equine Industry PowerPoint presentation

6 Regional Pest Management Plan Update

Nick Waipara, Biosecurity Principal Advisor provided an update to the panel.

A PowerPoint presentation was provided. A copy has been placed on the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

Resolution number RUR/2016/19

MOVED by Chairperson W Cashmore, seconded by Member C Keenan:

That the Rural Advisory Panel:

- a) **thank Nick Waipara for his update on the Regional Pest Management Plan.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 27 May 2016 - Rural Advisory Panel - Item 6 - RPMP PowerPoint presentation

7 Proposed Auckland Unitary Plan Update

Celia Davison, Manager Unitary Plan, provided an update to the Panel.

A PowerPoint presentation was provided. A copy has been placed on the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

Resolution number RUR/2016/20

MOVED by Chairperson W Cashmore, seconded by Member K Vallabh:

That the Rural Advisory Panel:

- a) **thank Celia Davison for her update on the Proposed Auckland Unitary Plan.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 27 May 2016 - Rural Advisory Panel - Item 7 - Unitary Plan update PowerPoint presentation

5 General Business

The following three items were identified as Unitary Plan issues, for further discussion once Unitary Plan decisions have been made:

- extending/removing urban boundaries and the effect on productive land and aggregates
- spraying certificates issued by Auckland Council
- outstanding natural features.

Discussion took place regarding:

- concerns over rural road sealing priorities (Rodney); which included a lack of input regarding roading priorities. Members were encouraged to contact the Rodney Local Board to express concerns or with any helpful information.

The following item was earmarked for future discussion:

- National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management – Rural Advisory Panel involvement.

3.08 pm

The Chairperson thanked Members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

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AT A MEETING OF THE RURAL ADVISORY PANEL
HELD ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....