Ngā Hui a te Rōpū Kaitohutohu Take ā-Taiwhenua / Rural Advisory Panel

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Rural Advisory Panel held in the Room 1, Level 26, 135 Albert Street, Auckland on Friday, 7 August 2020 at 12.28pm.

PRESENT

Chairperson
Deputy Chairperson
Members

Deputy Mayor Cr Bill Cashmore
Greg Sayers (from 12.34, Item 5)
Brent Bailey
Alan Cole
Lucy Deverall (until 2.58pm, Item 9)
Wilma Foster
Trish Fordyce
Richard Gardner
Annaliese Goettler
Steve Levet
Craig Maxwell
Andrew McKenzie
Roger Parton
Wayne Scott
Geoff Smith (from 12.40, Item 5)
Ken Turner (from 12.40, Item 5)
Keith Vallabh
Glenn Wilcox

Auckland Council
Auckland Council
Rodney Local Board, Auckland Council
Franklin Local Board, Auckland Council
Horticulture New Zealand
Dairy New Zealand
New Zealand Forest Owners Association
Federated Farmers
Young Farmers
Rural Contractors New Zealand
Federated Farmers
Beef and Lamb New Zealand
Rural Contractors New Zealand
Aggregate and Quarry Association
Equine Industry
Waitākere Ranges Local Board, Auckland Council
Pukekohe Vegetable Growers
Independent Māori Statutory Board

ABSENT

Fiona Gower
Greg McCracken
Peter Spencer

Rural Women New Zealand
Fonterra Shareholders Council
New Zealand Forest Owners Association

ALSO PRESENT

Colin Smith

Rodney Local Board, Auckland Council
1 Apologies

Resolution number RUR/2020/16

MOVED by Deputy Mayor BC Cashmore, seconded by Member A Cole:

That the Rural Advisory Panel:

a) accept the apology from Fiona Gower, Greg McCracken and Peter Spencer for absence and Lucy Deverall for early departure.

CARRIED

2 Declaration of Interest

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a member and any private or other external interest they might have.

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number RUR/2020/17

MOVED by Member R Parton, seconded by Member T Fordyce:

That the Rural Advisory Panel:

a) confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Friday, 5 June 2020, as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

4 Extraordinary Business

There was no extraordinary business.

5 Chair’s update

A presentation was provided. This has been put on the official minutes is available on the Auckland Council website as minutes attachments.

Resolution number RUR/2020/18

MOVED by Member A Cole, seconded by Member SL Levet:

That the Rural Advisory Panel:

a) receive the update from the Chairperson, Deputy Mayor Bill Cashmore.

CARRIED

Attachments

A 7 August 2020 Rural Advisory Panel: Item 5 - Chair’s update presentation
6 Auckland Ballance Farm Environment Awards 2020
Matt and Sarah Bolton from Oete Goat Farm were in attendance.
A video was played. This can be accessed through the following link
https://www.oetegoatfarm.co.nz/environment

Resolution number RUR/2020/19
MOVED by Deputy Mayor BC Cashmore, seconded by Member A Cole:
That the Rural Advisory Panel:
   a) congratulate Matt and Sarah Bolton for winning the 2020 Regional Supreme Award and thank them for their presentation.

   CARRIED

7 Outdoor Fire Safety Bylaw Review
A presentation was provided. This has been put on the official minutes is available on the Auckland Council website as minutes attachments.

Resolution number RUR/2020/20
MOVED by Deputy Mayor BC Cashmore, seconded by Member G Smith:
That the Rural Advisory Panel:
   a) provided feedback on the use and management of outdoor fires, from a safety, nuisance or air quality perspective, to support the Outdoor Fire Safety Bylaw 2014 review.

   CARRIED

Attachments
A 7 August 2020 Rural Advisory Panel: Item 7 - Outdoor Fire Safety Bylaw Review presentation

8 Central government decisions on Action for Healthy Waterways
A presentation was provided. This has been put on the official minutes is available on the Auckland Council website as minutes attachments.

Resolution number RUR/2020/21
MOVED by Deputy Mayor BC Cashmore, seconded by Cr G Sayers:
That the Rural Advisory Panel:
   a) receive the information memo dated 9 July 2020 and thank Dave Allen, Manager Natural Environment Strategy, Auckland Plan Strategy and Research department and his colleagues for an overview of the central government decisions on the Action for Healthy Waterways package.

   CARRIED

Attachments
A 7 August 2020 Rural Advisory Panel: Item 8 - Central government decisions on Action for Healthy Waterways presentation
9 **Operational response to drought**

A presentation was provided. This has been put on the official minutes is available on the Auckland Council website as minutes attachments.

*Member LD Deverall left the meeting at 2.58 pm.*

**Resolution number RUR/2020/22**

MOVED by Deputy Mayor BC Cashmore, seconded by Member R Gardner:

*That the Rural Advisory Panel:*

  a) endorse the ongoing operational drought response actions

  b) advise staff on the possible demand from rural communities including non-residential consumers.

**CARRIED**

**Attachments**

A 7 August 2020 Rural Advisory Panel: Item 9 - Operational response to drought presentation

10 **Discussion on Topics for Next Meeting**

**Resolution number RUR/2020/23**

MOVED by Member G Smith, seconded by Member T Fordyce:

*That the Rural Advisory Panel:*

  a) prioritise the following topics for the November 2020 meeting:

     i) Central government decisions on Action for Healthy Waterways - update

     ii) Operational response to drought update

     iii) Long Term Plan

     iv) Reform of the Resource Management Act

     v) Discussions with Environmental Groups about the Resource Management Act changes.

**CARRIED**

11 **Consideration of Extraordinary Items**

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.
3.22 pm

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

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD AT A MEETING OF THE RURAL ADVISORY PANEL HELD ON

DATE:............................................................................................................

CHAIRPERSON:.........................................................................................