

MINUTES

Farm and Aerodrome Committee



F22/55/05- D23/40080

Date: Tuesday 19 September 2023 at 12noon
Venue: Council Chambers, 63 Miranda Street, Stratford

Present

Councillor G W Boyde (the Chairman), the District Mayor N C Volzke, Councillors S J Beck and V R Jones, and Committee Member, the Property Officer – Mrs S Flight.

In attendance

The Deputy Mayor M McKay, Councillors E E Hall and W J Sandford, the Chief Executive – Mr S Hanne, the Director – Assets – Mrs V Araba, the Director – Environmental Services – Mr B Sutherland, the Acting Director – Community Services – Mr C Julie, the Corporate Accountant – Mrs C Craig, the Information Management Officer – Mr O Konkin, the Sustainability Advisor – Ms V Dombroski, the HR & Governance Administrator – Mrs C Reynolds,

1. Welcome

The Chairman welcomed the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Chief Executive, Councillors, and staff.

1.1 Opening Karakia D21/40748 Page 6

The opening karakia was read.

1.2 Health and Safety Message D21/26210 Page 7

The Chairman reiterated the health and safety message and emergency procedures.

2. Apologies

An apology was noted from Councillors Annette Dudley, Amanda Harris, Clive Tongaawhikau, the Director Corporate Services – Mrs T Radich, Mr J Buckley (consultant), Mrs F Riddick (sharemilker), Mr A Riddick (sharemilker).

3. Announcements

There were no announcements.

4. Declarations of Members Interest

The Chairman requested Councillors to declare any real or perceived conflicts of interest relating to items on this agenda. There were no declarations of interest.

5. Attendance Schedule

The attendance schedule for Farm & Aerodrome Committee meetings was attached.

6. Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Farm and Aerodrome Committee Meeting – 20 June 2023 D23/27406 Page 8

Recommendation

THAT the confirmed minutes of the Farm and Aerodrome Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 20 June 2023 confirmed as a true and accurate record.

BOYDE/JONES
Carried
F&A/23/22

7. Matters Outstanding D20/11504 Page 13

Recommendation

THAT the matters outstanding be received.

BECK/BOYDE
Carried
F&A/23/23

8. Programme of Works D20/28552 Page 14

Recommendation

THAT the Programme of Works be received.

JONES/BECK
Carried
F&A/23/24

- It was noted the recommendation for the Committee Strategic Review is to schedule a workshop at December's meeting, following that if a decision report is needed that would be presented in the March meeting. There was no opposition to this.

9. Quarterly Report – Risk Review D23/35700 Page 15

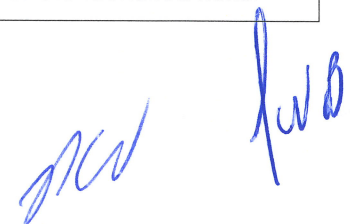
Recommendation

THAT the report be received.

BOYDE/VOLZKE
Carried
F&A/23/25

Recommended Reason

To update the Farm and Aerodrome Committee of changes to both the Farm and Aerodrome Risk Registers and advise the Committee of any incidents in relation to the identified risks.



10. Quarterly Report – Farm and Aerodrome Business and Financial Report

D23/35759 Page 23

Recommendation

THAT the report be received.

JONES/BECK
Carried
F&A/23/26

Recommended Reason

This report provides a quarterly business and financial update to the Farm and Aerodrome Committee. It highlights the milk production from the current season at the farm and reports on the key activities at the Aerodrome.

The Property Officer noted the following points:

- Since the Agenda was created an updated Tiaki Farm Environment Plan has been received with the following updates:
 - Page 37 under land and soil management, the winter cropping management plan has been updated from action to achieved as there has been no cropping near waterways
 - Page 38 under water use & irrigation management, this is now N/A.

Points noted in discussion:

- The Chairman requested that the Sharemilkers meeting in January be pushed out to February to allow for farm timings.
- The Chairman noted it is great to see an updated Tiaki report, and that many farms do not yet even have a report.
- The Chairman questioned why Hazardous substances is still an action in the Tiaki report, as there is now a shed at the farm for hazardous substances. It was advised the chemicals will be moved to the shed after calving and then the report will be updated to achieved.
- Councillor Jones questioned how the farm was going. It was noted production was currently 1,217 milk solids behind time last year, however this is currently going up 40 milk solids per day.
- The Chairman noted page 32 showed a maize vs in shed comparison with in shed feed being far cheaper. He advised for the past six years farm has been growing maize as part of getting paddocks fit for purpose in the new block of land. Now that the paddocks are complete excluding a few troughs, the in shed feed costs will be a saving of 16 cents per kgdm.
- The District Mayor noted it is good to see the new hangar is complete, that it looks smart and tidy. He questioned if there is an intention to review ground lease given the extra space they are now using or will this wait until the next review date? It was confirmed the new hanger is on a separate lease these are now four separate leases for the aero club.
- The Deputy Mayor questioned if the maize no longer being grown is for the whole property or only the new block of the farm, as on page 59 it mentions maize in the land and soil overview. It was noted that it related to the whole farm and the report will be updated in the future now the decision has been made to stop using maize.

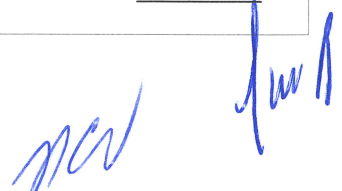
11. Quarterly Report – Health and Safety Update

D23/35702 Page 96

Recommendation

THAT the report be received.

BECK/BOYDE
Carried
F&A/23/27



The Property Officer noted the following points:

- The introduction of the Information Management Officer who will be moving into the role of Health and Safety/ Emergency Management Advisor early October.

12. Questions

- Councillor Jones questioned if the Sharemilkers had any concerns with the 2023/24 season the committee needs to be aware of. It was noted no particular concerns of note, just farm concerns around payout and expenses.
- The Chairman noted fertiliser costs had been reviewed and the decisions made four or five years ago around fertilising particular paddocks are helping with pulling back costs now.
- Councillor Beck questioned what the total amount works out to be for in shed feed. It was estimated the summer in shed cost would be \$9,600. Councillor Beck requested the amount of savings from in shed compared to maize. It was estimated the savings would be \$3,200.

13. Closing Karakia

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The closing karakia was read.

The meeting closed at 12.19pm

G W Boyde
Chairman



Confirmed this 5th day of December 2023.

N C Volzke
District Mayor

