

One hundred and forty-one meeting of the
New Zealand Fish and Game Council
Wellington

Friday 17th April 2020

via Zoom

Commencing 10:00 am

A recording of this meeting can be viewed at: <https://fishandgame.org.nz/about/about-fish-and-game-council/council-downloads/meeting-minutes/>

PRESENT

NZ Councillors:

Noel Birchall, Lindsay Lyons (Chair), Dave Harris, Paul Blewman, Paul Shortis, Bill O’Leary, Andy Harris, Roy Knight, Dan Isbister (arrived 10:20 – apologies given), Colin Weatherall, and Greg Duley.

NZC Staff:

Martin Taylor Chief Executive, Carmel Veitch Finance, Jack Kós Policy Advisor, Brian Anderton Senior Communications Advisor, Richie Cosgrove Senior Communications Advisor, Steve Doughty Business Development Manager and Debbie Mair Policy Advisor.

Guests:

Hon Eugenie Sage, Minister of Conservation (left 10:40am), Rick Zwaan, Press Secretary to the Minister of Conservation (left 10:40am), Eoin Moynihan, Private Secretary to the Minister of Conservation (left 10:40am), Mervyn English, Department of Conservation (left 11:30am).

INTRODUCTION

1. Welcome

2. Conflicts of Interest Register

Councillors were asked to individually identify any conflicts of interest. No conflicts were identified.

REPORTS REQUIRING DECISIONS

3. Contestable Funding Bids

Agreed to postpone consideration of the 2020-2021 contestable funding bids until further notice.

4. Licence Fees and Categories

Agreed to consult regions on no change to current licence fees and categories for the 2020-2021 year.

5. Game Bird Season

Resolved: (Paul Blewman/Roy Knight)

Agree by majority to delay the season to a specific date, and reconvene on Wednesday 22nd April 2020 at 6pm to specify the date.

6. NZC Financial Report

Resolved: (Paul Blewman/Noel Birchall)

Approve the Financial Report as at 29 February 2020

7. National Fish and Game Financial Report

Resolved: (Noel Birchall/Andy Harris)

Accept the National Financial Report as at 29 February 2020.

8. Meeting Closed

The Chairperson thanked Council and staff for their participation and for a productive meeting via a new format.

The next meeting is scheduled for 6:00pm Wednesday 22nd April 2020.

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 12:10pm Friday 17th April 2020.