One hundred and forty-two meeting of the

New Zealand Fish and Game Council Wellington

Wednesday 22nd April 2020 via Microsoft Teams Commencing 6:00 pm

PRESENT

NZ Councillors:

Noel Birchall, Lindsay Lyons (Chair), Dave Harris, Paul Blewman, Paul Shortis, Bill O'Leary, Andy Harris, Roy Knight, Rainsford Grubb, Dan Isbister, Nigel Juby, and Greg Duley.

In Attendance:

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.

Also Present:

Eugenie Sage, Minister of Conservation (left 6:55 pm), Rick Zwaan, Press Secretary to the Minister of Conservation (left 6:55pm), Mervyn English, Department of Conservation.

INTRODUCTION

1. Welcome

The Chairperson welcomed the new appointee from Otago, Rainsford Grubb and expressed the thoughts and wishes of the New Zealand Fish and Game Council for Colin Weatherall.

2. Conflicts of Interest Register

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

REPORTS REQUIRING DECISIONS

3. Game Season Opening Date

Resolved:

That the 2020 game bird season opens on the second Saturday after the move to an Alert Level at which the Government permits hunting. If this date is the 30th of May, the game bird season would open on the following Saturday 6th June.

4. 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 10:00 am Friday 24th April.

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 7:45 pm Wednesday 22nd April 2020.