

Minutes of a meeting of the Forestry Advisory Group

Held in the Ruma Mārama, Floor 2A, Civic House, 110 Trafalgar Street, Nelson

On Tuesday 30 July 2019, commencing at 3.06p.m.

Present:	Mr J Murray (Chairperson), Her Worship the Mayor R Reese, Mr A Louverdis and Mr P Gorman
In Attendance:	Councillor Ian Barker, Environmental Programmes Advisor (S Moore-Lavo); Lachie Grant (LandVision); Sam Nuske, Johan Visscher and Mitch White (PF Olsen Ltd) and Governance Adviser (J Brandt)
Apology:	Councillor Acland

1. Apologies

Resolved FAG/2019/009

That the Forestry Advisory Group

1. <u>Receives</u> and accepts an apology from Councillor Acland.

Murray/Her Worship the Mayor

Carried

2. Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

3. Interests

There were no updates to the Interests Register, and no interests with items on the agenda were declared.

4. Confirmation of Minutes

4.1 4 April 2019

Document number M4133, agenda pages 4 - 9 refer.

Resolved FAG/2019/010

That the Forestry Advisory Group

1. <u>Confirms</u> the minutes of the meeting of the Forestry Advisory Group, held on 4 April 2019, as a true and correct record.

Murray/Her Worship the Mayor

Carried

5 Forestry Update - Number 8 - July 2019

Document number R10117, agenda pages 10 - 26 refer.

Group Manager Infrastructure, Alec Louverdis, presented the report. He provided an update about the engagement process undertaken with residents in the Tantragee, about the envisaged timeline for harvesting, noting that it was likely to be undertaken in 2020.

Mr Grant of LandVision tabled a document (A2239690) and answered questions about fire risk assessments matrix undertaken for Parks and Reserves.

The Group agreed that the matrix and definitions presented were suitable to assess forest blocks close to the city, and that where there were overlaps with assessments carried out for parks and reserves, the Group would like to see the information.

Environmental Programmes Adviser, Susan Moore-Lavo, answered questions about the regional forestry role, noting the appointment of Brad Chandler to the role and that the regional approach was envisaged to improve consistency across the Top of the South.

PF Olsen gave a Powerpoint presentation updating the Group on the log market in general, and the situation particular to Nelson. Mr Nuske outlined impacts of the downturn for Nelson and the value recovery achieved through management strategies.

PF Olsen noted the tending and pruning regime used in Nelson City Council forests. It was noted that in order to ensure maximum fire risk mitigation, consideration would be given whether to prune or not to prune as part of the fire risk mapping to be undertaken.

Mr Louverdis tabled two documents, the Tree Crop Valuation 2018 (A2235770) and the Tree Crop Valuation 2019 (A2235775). He noted that, in summary, the value of Nelson City Council forestry blocks had gone up by approximately \$180K.

Resolved FAG/2019/011

That the Forestry Advisory Group

- 1. <u>Receives</u> the report (R10117) and its Attachments (A2199402, A2214620 and A2209414); and
- 2. Approves the 0.5 Ha Douglas Fir block in Marsden Valley (44.01) not be harvested.

Her Worship the Mayor/Murray

Attachments

- 1 A2239690 Fire risk assessment criteria
- 2 A2239156 PF Olsen Powerpoint presentation
- 3 A2235770 Tree Crop Valuation 2018
- 4 A2235775 Tree Crop Evaluation 2019

There being no further business the meeting ended at 4.36p.m.

Confirmed as a correct record of proceedings:

Chairperson Date

Carried