

**Annual General Meeting
of the
NZ Federation of Young Farmers Clubs Incorporated**

Date and Time:	Sunday 18 th October 2026: 5:30 – 7:00pm
Location:	Lincoln University – Inaka Room, Waimarie Building – Springs Road, Lincoln
Minute Taker	Claire Clement, Board Secretary

Agenda

Meeting Opened

1. Introductions and Welcome

Health and Safety

2. Opening Karakia

*Tūtawa mai i raro
Tūtawa mai i roto
Tūtawa mai i waho
Kia tai ai te mauri tū
Te mauri ora ki te katoa
Haumi e, hui e tāiki e*

3. Apologies

Vanessa Winning

4. Roll Call

Region	Members	Other	Number
Northern		Current Board Members	
Taranaki/Manawatu		NZYF Life Members	
Tasman		Past NZYF Presidents	
Otago/Southland		Contest Grand Finalists	
Waikato/BOP		Kellogg Rural Leaders	
East Coast		Nuffield	
Aorangi		Guests	
Total Attendees			

5. Additions to the Agenda

6. Minutes of the Previous AGM (October 2025)

Recommendation:

THAT “the minutes of the NZ Young Farmers AGM meeting held on Saturday 11th October 2025 be confirmed as a true and correct record”.

7. Matters Arising

8. Motion of Sympathy

- **Neville Moorhead**

9. Appointment of Scrutineers

10. Voting of Officers

Nominations have been received for:

- **Emma Ractliffe** – Eskview Young Farmers
- **Rhiannon Whelan** – Coastal Young Farmers
- **Danielle Stevens** – Wellington Young Farmers

The voting is based on the total number of members in each region (e.g. if a region has 100 members, then they have 100 votes). Each region has two voting representatives. Vote will be via ballot papers. Only those officially appointed as regional representatives can vote.

Voting Representatives from each Region are:

Northern	Ira Martinac, Marie Taylor
WaiBop	Abbey Thompson, Sean Alexander
TaraMan	Sarah Lockhart, Emma Northcott
East Coast	Kato Dentith, Ashlee MacFarlane
Tasman	Isla Dodson, Imogen Brankin
Aorangi	Mitch Aldridge, Sam Allen
Otago Southland	Emma Wilson, Isla Edgecombe

Total Number of Members per Region are:

New Zealand Young Farmers members (as of 12th October 2026)

Region	# Members	Region	# Members
Northern		Waikato/BOP	
Taranaki/Manawatu		East Coast	
Tasman		Aorangi	
Otago/Southland		TOTAL	

Destroying of Votes

THAT “the voting ballot papers by destroyed”

11. Proposed Constitution amendments

The proposed minor amendments to the constitution aim to clarify the authority and decision-making responsibilities for Division bank accounts, helping provide greater clarity for banks and financial institutions when identifying the appropriate officeholders and signatories.

Voting process per above motion.

The NZ Young Farmers Board recommend to the Society AGM:

THAT “the proposed constitutional amendments be approved and adopted”.

12. Establishment of the NZ Young Farmers Foundation

To consider and vote on the proposed establishment of the NZ Young Farmers Foundation.

Voting process per above motion.

The NZ Young Farmers Board recommend to the Society AGM:

THAT “the establishment of the NZ Young Farmers Foundation be approved”.

13. Reports (Contained within the Annual Report 2025/26):

- a. NZYF Board Chair Report – Kate Denholm
- b. CEO Report – Cheyne Gillooly
- c. Donald Pearson Farm Report
- d. Financial Report – Stanley Fraser

14. Auditors

Previous years’ auditors

- 2022 – 2023 PKF Goldsmith Fox (Christchurch)
- 2023 – 2024 PKF Goldsmith Fox (Christchurch)
- 2024 – 2025 PKF Goldsmith Fox (Christchurch)
- 2025 – 2026 PKF Goldsmith Fox (Christchurch)

Recommendation:

THAT “PKF Goldsmith Fox be confirmed as the auditor for the 2026/2027 Financial Year accounts.”

15. Board Honorary

The honorary fee is to be set for the year ahead – 2026/2027

The NZ Young Farmers Board recommend to the Society AGM:

THAT “the honorarium be set for the 2026/2027 year at a total available of \$23,000 for Elected Board Members.”

16. General Business

17. Vote of Thanks

- Sponsors, Industry and Community Partners
- NZ Young Farmers National Board
- Donald Pearson Farm Board
- Contest Sub-Committee, Grand Final Committee and Regionals Committees
- National Committee
- Club, Regional and District Committees
- NZ Young Farmers Staff

18. Next AGM

October 2027 – Christchurch

19. Closing Karakia

*Kia hora te marino
Kia whakapapa pounamu te moana
Hei huarahi mā tātou i te rangi nei
Aroha atu, aroha mai
Tātou ki a tātou katoa*

Meeting Closed