



# Cabinet Economic Policy Committee

## Minute of Decision

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### Reducing Agricultural Emissions: Upcoming Actions

**Portfolio**                      **Agriculture**

On 29 May 2024, the Cabinet Economic Policy Committee (ECO):

- 1        **noted** that the He Waka Eke Noa - Primary Sector Climate Action Partnership (He Waka Eke Noa) will be formally disestablished;
- 2        **noted** that the Minister of Agriculture intends to work with a specific industry led 'pastoral sector group' on methane, together with the Minister of Climate Change and the Associate Ministers of Agriculture;
- 3        **noted** that the pastoral sector group will consist of the industry bodies DairyNZ, Beef + Lamb New Zealand, Deer Industry New Zealand, and Federated Farmers of New Zealand, Dairy Companies Association of New Zealand, and the Meat Industry Association of New Zealand;
- 4        **noted** that the Minister of Agriculture intends to submit the proposed Terms of Reference to ECO to formalise engagement with the pastoral sector group;
- 5        9(2)(f)(iv) [REDACTED]
- 6        **noted** that:
  - 6.1      the disestablishment of He Waka Eke Noa, and the Government's intent to engage with key pastoral stakeholders, will be announced by the Minister of Agriculture, along with the Minister of Climate Change and the Associate Ministers of Agriculture;
  - 6.2      this will happen in conjunction with the communications regarding the repeal of agricultural obligations within the New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme.

Rachel Clarke  
Committee Secretary

**Present: (see over)**

**Present:**

Rt Hon Christopher Luxon  
Rt Hon Winston Peters  
Hon David Seymour  
Hon Nicola Willis (Chair)  
Hon Brooke van Velden  
Hon Chris Bishop  
Hon Simeon Brown  
Hon Paul Goldsmith  
Hon Todd McClay  
Hon Tama Potaka  
Hon Matt Doocey  
Hon Simon Watts  
Hon Melissa Lee  
Hon Penny Simmonds  
Hon Chris Penk  
Hon Andrew Bayly  
Hon Andrew Hoggard  
Hon Mark Patterson

**Officials present from:**

Office of the Prime Minister  
Office of Hon Simon Watts  
Officials Committee for ECO

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