

MINUTES OF THE ANIMAL CONTROL OF THE GREY DISTRICT COUNCIL**Held in Council Chambers, 105 Tainui Street, Greymouth****on Thursday 14 March 2024 commencing at 3.00 pm**

PRESENT: Cr John Canning (Chair)
Councillor Jack O'Connor, Councillor Kate Kennedy

IN ATTENDANCE: Michael McEnaney (Regulatory Manager), Shanelle Sampson (Animal Management Officer), Trish Jellyman (Democracy Advisor)

Cr Canning welcomed all present to the meeting.

1 APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

1.1 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

1.2 UPDATES TO THE INTERESTS REGISTER

There were no updates to the Interest Register.

1.3 IDENTIFY ANY CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS IN THE AGENDA

There were no declarations of interest.

1.4 NOTIFICATION OF LATE ITEMS

There were no late items.

2 AGENDA ITEMS

Refer page 6 of the agenda.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ACCCC 24/03/001

Moved: Cr John Canning

Seconded: Cr Kate Kennedy

That the Animal Control Committee receives the report.

Carried Unanimously

█ spoke to a PowerPoint presentation. She displayed property boundaries, an easement map and fencing details. █ outlined the timeline of events on 29 November which is the day the incident occurred. Despite alleged detail mistakes she did not dispute that the dog in question killed the chickens. She answered questions from committee members. The Animal Control Officer (ACO) and Regulatory Manager (RM) also answered questions from those present.

█ left the meeting at 4.00pm.

The meeting adjourned at 4.00pm and reconvened at 4.15pm

The Committee came to the decision that the appeal against the menacing dog is declined. Reasons for declining the appeal are that:

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ACCCC 24/03/002

Moved: Cr John Canning

Seconded: Cr Kate Kennedy

That the Animal Control Committee:

A. Declines the appeal for the following reasons as listed below:

1. All the elements of the charge are present.
 2. The attack met the threshold of a menacing dog as he attacked and killed 29 poultry.
 3. The dog is young and while this may be its first offence it may now show a propensity to further offending.
 4. Although the complainant shows remorse and has carried out a lot of remedial work to fence her section at considerable cost, she has not to date reimbursed the complainant.
 5. The dog is now registered to another family member, but still resides at [REDACTED] address.
- B. The complainant and the appellant are at rural addresses in close proximity and have a relationship that appears to require mediation to fix.
- C. The Committee is not recommending neutering or prosecution through the District Court.
- D. The dog will now be subject to Section 33E of the Dog Control Act 1996 (copy attached), for the life of the dog.
- E. The above be conveyed in writing to the appellant.

Carried Unanimously

3 SUB-COMMITTEE RESUMES IN OPEN MEETING

CLOSURE OR RATIFICATION OF DECISIONS IN OPEN MEETING.

The meeting concluded at 4.35 pm

Confirmed

JA Canning

Chairperson

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Date