



2023 Annual Meeting Resolution and Farmer Proposals

Final Results

I hereby declare the final results for the Beef + Lamb New Zealand Ltd 2023 annual meeting resolution and farmer proposals.

Resolution 1 – Farmers’ Ordinary Resolution – Appointment of Auditor

(one person, one vote)

	For	Against	Abstain
Votes by Farmer	2,349	71	150
Votes as a % of Farmers who voted	91.40%	2.76%	5.84%

Farmers Proposal 1

(weighted farmer vote)

B+LNZ report back the impact of the “weighted” vote on its decisions and outcomes.

Proposer of Remit: Hamish Carswell.

	For	Against	Abstain
Votes by Farmer	35,122	14,659	3,184
Votes as a % of Farmers who voted	66.31%	27.68%	6.01%

Farmers Proposal 2

(weighted farmer vote)

B+LNZ & NZMB Board members and their contact details displayed on the B+LNZ website.

Proposer of Remit: Hamish Bielski.

	For	Against	Abstain
Votes by Farmer	44,083	5,957	3,008
Votes as a % of Farmers who voted	83.10%	11.23%	5.67%

Farmers Proposal 3

(weighted farmer vote)

B+LNZ will clearly define and communicate the role of the Farmer Council and local Farmer Councillors and display their contact details on the B+LNZ website.

Proposer of Remit: Hamish Bielski.

	For	Against	Abstain
Votes by Farmer	38,719	10,952	3,411
Votes as a % of Farmers who voted	72.94%	20.63%	6.43%

Farmers Proposal 4

(weighted farmer vote)

B+LNZ Farmer Council and other Farmer Reference Group members are used by the organisation as the “voice” for grassroots farmer feedback, they are not constrained in any way by B+LNZ.

Proposer of Remit: Hamish Bielski.

	For	Against	Abstain
Votes by Farmer	33,045	16,324	3,747
Votes as a % of Farmers who voted	62.21%	30.73%	7.05%

Farmers Proposal 5

(weighted farmer vote)

B+LNZ do not at any time commit to a policy which may have significant ramifications for levy payers without prior best-practice consultation with levy payers that would solicit and seek their agreement to proceed.

Proposer of Remit: Graeme B Gleeson.

	For	Against	Abstain
Votes by Farmer	40,596	10,323	2,338
Votes as a % of Farmers who voted	76.23%	19.38%	4.39%

Farmers Proposal 6

(weighted farmer vote)

B+LNZ immediately engage an independent review analysing the process of how B+LNZ currently assemble a mandate that reflects the wishes of their levy payers’ and the effectiveness and transparency of all advocacy.

Proposer of Remit: Jane Smith.

	For	Against	Abstain
Votes by Farmer	31,207	19,419	2,490
Votes as a % of Farmers who voted	58.75%	36.56%	4.69%

Farmers Proposal 7

(weighted farmer vote)

B+LNZ exit the HWEN (He Waka Eke Noa) Partnership immediately in order to advocate for sheep and beef farmers to achieve a more sustainable and equitable emissions reduction proposal in an unbiased and unconstrained manner.

Proposer of Remit: Jason Barrier.

	For	Against	Abstain
Votes by Farmer	25,988	23,566	3,650
Votes as a % of Farmers who voted	48.85%	44.29%	6.86%

Farmers Proposal 8
(weighted farmer vote)

That B+LNZ commits to ongoing unrelenting advocacy for a different pricing mechanism to what was recommended in the 'HWEN' proposal (and the subsequent response to government).
Proposer of Remit: Roger Dalrymple.

	For	Against	Abstain
Votes by Farmer	35,188	10,488	7,621
Votes as a % of Farmers who voted	66.02%	19.68%	14.30%

Farmers Proposal 9
(weighted farmer vote)

During any advocacy negotiations where there is a perceived or actual conflict between advocating for the Sheep and Beef sector versus the Dairy industry, this conflict must be declared by B+LNZ and the advocacy position taken will be from a sheep and beef sector standpoint.
Proposer of remit: Rick Burke (Chairman: Farmers 4 Positive Change)

	For	Against	Abstain
Votes by Farmer	20,554	11,551	1,042
Votes as a % of Farmers who voted	62.01%	34.85%	3.14%

The final return percentage is 22.44%, being 3,366 votes received from 14,999 farmers, of which 57.66% voted online 42.34% voted by post or at the annual meeting.



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