



Notice of Special General Meeting (SGM)



**Thursday 15 February 2024 at 6.45pm
BNZ Partners Centre
Pukekohe**

(the regular PVGA meeting will be held after the SGM)

BUSINESS

1. Attendance registration
2. Proxies recorded
3. Two motions for members to vote on

Motion 1

Endorse the Vegetables NZ Inc (VNZI) Board meeting motion (September 2023) to include asparagus on the VNZI Constitution & Rules Schedule 1 crop list.

Notes

The Asparagus Council of New Zealand would like to join VNZI as a crop. To accommodate this request, VNZI members need to vote that they accept asparagus as a crop on the VNZI crop list.

Motion 2

Endorse the rules of the society be amended by adding the following as a new clause 13.12:

A Member, or the Member's proxy or representative, may participate in a general meeting by means of audio, audio and visual, or electronic communication if:

- a) The Board approves those means; and*
- b) The Member, proxy, or representative complies with any conditions imposed by the Board in relation to the use of those means (including, for example, conditions relating to the identity of the Member, proxy, or representative and that person's approval or authentication (including electronic authentication) of the information communicated by electronic means). To avoid doubt, participation in a meeting includes participation in any manner specified in these rules.*

Notes

VNZI's constitution was developed before the acceptance of digital representation and attendance.

A fit for purpose constitution would accept the presence of members in digital format (e.g. Teams/Zoom) enabling participation in actions (e.g. voting) when required at AGMs and SGMs. This would also recognise a method of participation in the event of non-attendance in person due to adverse events.

This motion accepts digital formats as a legitimate mode of attendance and participation at VNZI meetings (AGM/SGM).

Voting is by proxy and in person. Scrutineer – PVGA.



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