

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ZOOM MEETING WEDNESDAY 26 JANUARY 2022 at 7.30PM

ATTENDEES:

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Brian Harris (BH) Stephen Meredith (SM) Fiona Hodgson (FH) Nigel Trainor (NT) Donna Hailes (DH) Jill Brooker (JB) Steve Tate (ST) Keith Brown (KB) Catherine McManus (CM) Steve Tate (STT) Phil Johnson (PJ)

STAFF

Steven Thompson (ST)

APOLOGIES

Karen Sadler (KS)

AGENDA

To discuss and ratify Dogs NZ policy regarding holding shows in COVID 19 Protection Framework Traffic Light Red.

WELCOME

BH welcomed the E.C to the Zoom meeting at 7.30pm.

1. Recommended CPF Red Protocols for Dogs NZ Events

With the NZ Government move to place the country in CPF Red for the foreseeable future a number of members have approached Executive Council for clarification on how they can host shows under the current protocols.

Executive council discussed the email from member Paul Robinson and the current Dogs NZ CPF Traffic Light Red show management protocols that were ratified in 2021.

Agreed Motion:

Executive Council's policy is that it is up to individual clubs to decide if they wish to hold shows under the protocols of the COVID-19 Protection Framework Traffic Light Red.

EC would like to remind clubs that it is their responsibility to abide by Government directions in planning any show event while New Zealand is at Red. These event directions include:

- Vaccine passports for all participants
- Record keeping & Tracer App scanning
- Mandatory face covering
- Limits on participation numbers

Key Tasks

In order for clubs and members to understand the government CPF Red regulations, The Director Secretary will update the current Dogs NZ management guidelines on holding shows and include new CPF Red guidelines from Sport New Zealand on holding events split into groups of 100.

BH asked that the following statement be included in the first paragraph of the guidelines:

In order for clubs and members to understand the government covid-19 regulations, Dogs NZ has published the following guidelines.

As it was important that members understand that these are Government protocols, not developed by Dogs NZ.

E.C. discussed and noted that these guidelines may have an impact on a club's ability to run a traditional show and it was important that members are kind and understanding with show management and do not expect that everyone will be able to assist at shows under these conditions.

FH emphasised the point that if Clubs breech any Government protocols in holding events they, not Dogs NZ would liable for any sanctions that Government may decide to impose. This needs to be included in the updated Dogs NZ Management guidelines.

Director Secretary will draft a statement for circulation in Thursday 27 January Dog iE News which will include links to the Dogs NZ management guidelines and the Sports NZ Covid guidelines

2. Forrester Park Benefit Show

Nigel Trainor briefed Executive Council on the recent Forrester Park Management Committee meeting which expressed a desire to continue with show planning using the separate groups of 100 event model.

E.C. expressed the opinion as long as the Management Committee could safely operate the benefit show according to the government protocols and in line with Sports NZ guidelines then they would approve of the event proceeding.

SM made the point that the biggest hurdle clubs may face when trying to hold shows in CPF Red is finding judges willing to fly during a period of high community transmission.

The meeting closed at 9pm on 26 January 2022.