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Response to your official information request

Thank you for your official information request received on 17 July 2026 for:

"I would like to make an Official Information Act request for those documents that make up the full decision please - that includes the reports from other Government agencies, including MPI relating to Sjerp William Ysselstein as trustee for The Marlborough Family Estate Trust. "

We **attach** the assessment report for Sjerp William Ysselstein as trustee for The Marlborough Family Estate Trust acquiring 288.0769 hectares of land located at 69 Titirangi Road, Kenepuru Sound, Marlborough (case 202500764) and email correspondence relating to consultation with the Ministry for Primary Industries (**MPI**) undertaken during the assessment process.

The assessment report and consultation emails contain some redactions under the Official Information Act 1982, specifically based on the following:

- the signatures of MPI staff and LINZ employees, have been withheld to protect the privacy of natural persons under s9(2)(a);
- the MPI and LINZ assessor's names have been withheld under s9(2)(g)(ii) to protect the effective conduct of public affairs; and
- information is likely to cause unreasonably prejudice to the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information has been withheld under section 9(2)(b)(ii), this includes information relating to:
 - commercial activities;
 - cost of the proposed developments;
 - proposed cattle numbers, rotation system and projected export receipts; and
 - likely be used construction and feed suppliers, meat processors and other contractors.

We are of the view the withholding of the information is not outweighed by the public interest to make that information available.

Please find a link to the [decision summary](#) on our website which has more information about the consent.

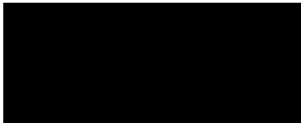
I also note that the consent under the Overseas Investment Act allows the purchase of land; it does not give authorisation to commence operations as a beef finishing farm. Consent under the Resource Management Act will be required before the conversion can take place and the new farming operation can commence. The process will be managed by the local authority who are best placed to consider any environmental impacts or other impacts such as traffic volumes, as well as how they would be managed.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact oio@linz.govt.nz.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

The response to your request, **with any personal details withheld**, will be published on the Toitū Te Whenua Land Information New Zealand website. This is likely to be published by 30 September 2026.

Nāku noa, nā



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