

Ravensdown director election 2024

Candidate profiles and 'letter ratings' - South Island area

JOLENE GERMANN

Jolene notes her passion for the co-operative model and her alignment to the co-op ethos. With a farming and scientific research background, she is now building into governance roles.

Jolene is a hands-on farmer and agribusiness consultant. She is currently an equity partner and sharemilker of Fast Track Dairies (a 200 ha dairy farm).

She has recently completed a 2-year term as FMG's inaugural Associate Director (contributed at board meetings but did not have voting rights) and gained exposure to scale commercial and regulatory governance. She developed insight to strategic planning and implementation, engagement with senior management, and scale financial planning.

Jolene gained operational experience and insight to the 'inner runnings' of Ravensdown earlier in her career as Account Manager Central Southland. Her current community-focused governance roles include being the founder and leader of the Mid Aparima catchment group.

Jolene is a critical thinker and has a logical and analytical decision-making style. She enjoys engaging with diverse perspectives and notes the importance of balancing collaboration with constructive challenge.

Jolene has a PhD (Chemistry). She has completed a range of professional development courses including the Mayfield Co-operative Governance Development Programme and Kellogg Rural Leadership Programme. She is a member of Federated Farmers and the Institute of Directors.