DEMOLITION OF BARNS GATTON

Consideration:

The University has recently acquired property located at 31 Old Laidley, Forest Hill Road, Forest Hill to sustain the expansion in farming area required for various Research and Teaching programs. The property contains two barns (Buildings 8615 and 8609) which are surplus to requirements. The removal of the barns would open the area for additional cultivation. A larger, more substantial shed complex (8621) acquired with an adjacent property (23 Old Laidley – Forest Hill Road, Forest Hill) will accommodate the storage needs of the Farm. The buildings are considered uneconomical to attempt rehabilitation and are surplus to University requirements.

Description:

The barns are typical rustic timber framed and galvanised sheeted structures in an advanced state of decay. The barn (8615) is built from timber posts and sheeted with corrugated iron. A number of posts have structural termite damage. The shed (8609) is built of similar materials and was damaged during the 2011 floods.
Barn Demolition - Gatton Farms
Site Plan shows location of Farm in relation to Gatton Campus
Site plan of Darbalara Farm with buildings identified
Site plan showing impact of buildings on cultivation
Images of 8609 showing the poor condition of the structure
Hay Shed (8615)
External walls rusted and fixings failing
The roof structure has deformed due to timber rot and termite damage.

Internal of 8615 showing walls of corrugated iron in poor condition.
Alternative Hay Storage Available

Langmuir Farm

Main Campus

Cedarvale Farm