

## Melon Strategic Investment Advisory Panel meeting summary

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**Date:** 18/01/2018

**Location:** Teleconference

**Next Meeting:** 26 March 18

**Attendance:** Kane Younghusband, Fernando Rombola, Fiona Constable, Mark Daunt, Robert Granger (Chair), Sam Turner (Hort. Innovation), Miriam O'Brien (Minute Taker)

**Apologies:** Paul McLaughlin, Brad Dawson

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### Overview

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Hort Innovation convened a meeting of the Melon SIAP via teleconference on January 18, 2018. The primary aim of this meeting was to review, discuss and seek advice from the panel on concept proposals received by Hort Innovation.

The panel was given an update on the progression of the Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) currently being completed by Brian Ramsay and Invoact Consulting.

The SIAP reviewed the previous Melon SIAP action and recommendation items. The panel was then given an extensive financial update of the fund, a summary of which can be found here:

<https://horticulture.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/FOS-July-Sept-2017-Melon-1.pdf>

The panel then discussed a number of concepts including:

- Integrated control of phytoparasitic nematodes in NT
- Gummy Stem Blight control options
- Mon Quality and Safety program
- Nematode control options in horticultural crops.

Anyone seeking further information on Hort Innovation's melon R&D investments should note that a full list of projects, together with an overview of the program financials are available on the melon webpage of the Hort Innovation website.

### Next steps

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The SIAP will facilitate the production of the SIP over the coming months in conjunction with broader industry.

The panel will meet again in late March.

Anyone seeking information about the SIAP, SIP or any other levy related issue should contact Sam Turner at Hort Innovation on the details below.

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