

Onion Strategic Investment Advisory Panel meeting summary

Date: 2nd April, 2019

Attendance: Steven Rathjen, Richard Jones, Tony Higgs, Kees Versteeg and Peter Shadbolt

Apologies – Yvonne Smith & Julian Shaw

Cath Botta (Chair)

Hort Innovation – Sam Turner, Samantha Ferguson, Neil Burgess

Hort Innovation – Jenny Van De Meeberg, Christian Patterson (teleconference)

Minute Taker – Miriam O’Brien

Location: Parkroyal Hotel, Melbourne Domestic Airport.

Next meeting: Wednesday, 16th October in Swan Hill

Overview

The Onion Strategic Investment Advisory Panel (SIAP) convened a meeting at the Parkroyal Hotel, Melbourne Domestic Airport.

The objective of the meeting was for the SIAP to review the current Onion Marketing Plan for 2019/20, Trade update, reviewing the Onion R&D program and to provide advice to Hort Innovation on new concepts relating to themes such as:

- ✓ Alternatives to current pesticides
- ✓ Scholarship Masterclasses
- ✓ Identification of real Onion Industry issues.

The panel also provided industry feedback to inform the development of current investments.

For further information on Hort Innovation’s Onion R&D and marketing investments please note that a full list of projects, together with an overview of the program financials will be available on the onion webpage <https://www.horticulture.com.au/growers/onion-fund/> of the Hort Innovation website.

Next steps

The next meeting of the Onion SIAP will be on Wednesday 16 October in Swan Hill, Victoria.

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