

Apple & Pear Strategic Investment Advisory Panel meeting summary

Date: 24th June 2016

Location: National Horticulture Conference Gold Coast

Attendance: Phil Pyke, John Dollisson, Robert Green, Kevin Sanders, James Walters, John Power, Barney Hyams, David Williams (National Horticulture Research Network), Mark Spees (Hort Innovation), Lisa Troy (Hort Innovation), Graeme Yardy (Hort Innovation), Stuart Burgess (Hort Innovation), Andrew Farmer (Observer)

Additional attendees: David McKinna, Catherine Wall (McKinna *et al*), Scott Montague (Montague Fresh)

Apology: Peter Hall

Overview

The Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) workshop was held with the Strategic Investment Advisory Panel (SIAP) at the National Horticulture conference on the Gold Coast on June 24, 2016.

The nature of this workshop was to agree on the approach in developing the apple and pear Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) and capture the expert opinion and industry knowledge of participants.

A common understanding of the project aims and methodology and to exchange ideas was presented by David McKinna and Catherine Wall.

Clarification of the consultation process, grower engagement and reach along with timelines was discussed with the SIAP for an agreed SIP development execution plan.

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

Next steps

- It was agreed that the SIP grower engagement align with the APAL grower engagement roadshow to all key apple and pear regions over the coming two months to ensure grower opportunity for input and regional meetings conducted by consultants McKinna et al.

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