

**All Advisory Committee
Welcome Meeting (Working breakfast)
Tuesday 12th September 2023
Meeting Minutes**

	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
MEETING DETAILS	Tuesday 12 th September 2023	8:00am-9:30am	MMA Conference Room, Ground Floor, Admin Building 55 Produce Drive, Epping
ATTENDEES	<p>MMA Peter Tuohey, Chair CEO Board Mark Maskiell, CEO David Whitchelo, MMA Amanda Miceli, MMA Lauren Kitchener, MMA Malcolm Lum, MMA Georgie Christerson, MMA (Minute taker)</p>	<p>Retailers Advisory Des Hopwood Dean Lamb Graham Gee</p> <p>Growers Advisory Nicholas Patsuris Anthony Pignataro Ricky Mazaris</p> <p>Wholesalers Advisory Jason Cooper Michael Granieri Adrian Antonello</p> <p>Flowers Advisory Vince Cidoni Ilayda Kaplan Michael Pavlou</p>	
APOLOGIES	<p>MMA Hermione Parsons, Board Director Angie Bradbury, Board Director Sue Friend, Board Director Margaret Burdeu, Director</p>	<p>Flower Advisory Di Templeton</p> <p>Growers Advisory Vince Doria Frank Attana</p> <p>Retailers Advisory Andrew Sculli Kara Maisano</p> <p>Wholesalers Advisory Brett Collins Thanh Truong</p>	
GUEST		Chris Scicluna	

#	ITEM	RAISED BY
1	<p>Welcome</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 2nd Combined (Joint) Advisory Committee Meeting for 2023 (3rd Advisory Meeting). 	DW
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Whitchelo welcomed the Committee members to the meeting, and hard copies of the Management report were distributed to Committee members. • Management Report – Circulated prior to the Advisory Committee meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No questions or issues were raised. • DW displayed the proposed upcoming changes to the existing traffic management plan via a PowerPoint presentation during the meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Next steps: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Seek feedback from Committee members, ▪ Refine proposals based on feedback, ▪ Update signage and line marking, ▪ Communicate updated rules to market users, ▪ Provide notice period (2 weeks) before changes take effect. ▪ Officially introduce updated rules and changes. The committee discussed the “breezeway” crossover in the market and the flooring, and Management confirmed the works that have been undertaken over previous years to ensure the road remains level. ○ MMA will investigate current status. 	ALL
3	<p>Items for discussion requested by Committee members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Market Rent Review & Licence fees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Committee members discussed the impact on their businesses of the recent rent review and increase in licence fees, of a CPI increase of 6%. Management confirmed the rent increase is in line with CPI and current lease agreements. • Market Trading Hours review – MMA provided an update on day trade project. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ As noted above. • Fans on trading floor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The new industrial fans for the Fruit & Vegetable trading floor will arrive into Australia (from China) by October, and installed as soon as practical. • Proposed Café conversions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Management confirmed this is only “early days” and will take onboard options moving forward to create a “hub” style café area. 	ALL

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possibility for children to be allowed on site on Saturdays in the flower market <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Management confirmed this is a class one industrial site, safety being the first priority. Children are not allowed onsite in the market, apart from specific “Children in the Market days”. • Any other general business items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Land Tax: Committee asked about land tax liabilities. Management confirmed that land tax was only payable under commercial leases with the MMA- which was industry standard. ○ Rent: Committee asked if there were alternative rental formulas which could be considered e.g. turn over rent, rent ‘pegged’ to foot traffic at the market. The discussion concluded none of the suggestions raised at the meeting were agreeable at face value. 	
<p style="text-align: center;">4</p>	<p>Items for discussion from MMA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Digital access cards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Digital access cards will be implemented to ease entry into the market moving forward. A digital access card via an app on your mobile phone will be used to gain entry into the market. • Transport access cards • Format of Advisory Committee Meetings – Moving forward the MMA will investigate options. <p>Head of Projects thanked everyone for attending the meeting and closed the meeting at 9:35am.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">DW</p>