

Communique

Meeting No: 2019.01

14 March 2019

The Food, Beverage and Pharmaceutical Industry Reference Committee (IRC) met in Melbourne on 14 March 2019. Present at the meeting were IRC members, guests and representatives from Skills Impact.

IRC Skills Forecast and Proposed Schedule of Work 2019-2022

The IRC reviewed and modified the draft Food Beverage and Pharmaceutical IRC Skills Forecast and Proposed Schedule of Work 2019-2022, prior to it becoming available on the Skills Impact website for public review.

Artisanal Food and Beverage project

IRC members considered and approved the progress of the [Artisanal Food and Beverage Project](#) and an extension of the submission date.

New Policies – Feedback from IRCs and Changes to Project Scope Process

Two new policies were considered. The IRC approved the introduction of a biannual simplified email survey. The Guidelines for Change of Scope Approvals were reviewed and it was decided that changes to this policy would be made before being presented again to the IRC to confirm.

Update to IRC Membership and Tenure

The current Chair and Deputy Chair have both re-nominated for their roles for the next two years. Further expressions of interest from members will be requested before appointments are considered.

Clarification will be sought from the AISC on the tenure of an organisation's membership and the role of industry associations as members of IRCs.

Industry Reports

Members and guests were each invited to provide a brief overview of trends occurring within their industry.

Next Meeting

It was proposed that the next meeting of this IRC be a teleconference in mid-July 2019. A date is to be confirmed.