

**Meat Industry Reference Committee**  
**Communique – Meeting held on 26 March 2019**

The Meat Industry Reference Committee held a full meeting at the Mantra Legends Hotel, Surfers Paradise, Queensland on Tuesday 26 March 2019. Twelve members attended the IRC meeting, one member tendered their apologies. The IRC welcomed the newest member Nicole Orr to her first meeting as an IRC member, Nicole was recently appointed to the newly created Poultry Processing Expert position.

The draft Case for Endorsement for the next release of the AMP Australian Meat Processing Training Package was presented and the IRC approved the Chair to sign the Case for Endorsement when it is ready for submission to the AISC.

The Committee considered and approved a new project for the development of contextualised training materials for inclusion in the 2019-2022 Skills Forecast. The IRC considered the current draft of the Skills forecast and approved the Chair to sign this when it is ready for submission to the AISC.

Skills Impact provided an overview on their VET and AQF Review submissions.

Four new matters raised on the Enquiries and Issues Register were addressed and actions determined. Five new enquiries which had been responded to were noted by the IRC.

There was a discussion about the impact that a possible change of government may have on the IRC during General Business. Online training modules for IRC members were also discussed.

The proposed dates for the 2019 IRC meetings were noted during General Business, including:

- 17 June 2019 (Sydney)
- 22 October 2019 (Venue TBA)
- 17 December 2019 (Sydney)

The date for the next meeting was agreed and will be held on 17 June in Sydney, NSW, venue to be advised.