

## **BOARD MEETING MEMBER UPDATE**

Held on 22 February 2023

## **Board Matters**

- 1. Annual Reporting: A large focus of the meeting was on the endorsement of the annual financial statements, audit report, as well as the approval of a reinvigorated Annual Report. The Board is particularly excited to be able to present the Annual Report to our members at the Annual General Meeting on the 29 March 2023, as it represents an increase in our efforts to communicate our achievements on behalf of our members. Once tabled, this report will also provide a key touch point for stakeholders and potential members to demonstrate the value TFGA delivers to our members.
- 2. <u>Council and Committee Restructure:</u> The board approved the restructure of the TFGA Council and Committee restructure after nearly 12 months of consultation with these groups. This restructure is aimed at increasing the responsiveness and effectiveness of communication between the Board and the Councils and Committees which represent both our commodity groups and critical cross commodity issues such as water or pest management.

The restructure will be presented to our members at the Annual General Meeting for endorsement.

- 3. <u>Longford Office Development:</u> The finalisation of the designs for TFGA's new home in Longford are nearing completion, with the applications for final approvals expected to be submitted during March. Importantly these designs provide flexibility for other groups in the agricultural sector to make use of the facilities for meetings and other events, providing a collaboration space for us all to come together and increase connections across everyone in the industry.
- **4.** North West Transmission Line Redevelopment: The Board was provided an update on proposed investigations into technical and legal issues to better inform our discussions with TasNetworks on potential options for transmission line upgrades and what appropriate compensation frameworks look like for our members and other impacted landholders.
- 5. Strengthen of Regional Engagement and Collaborative Partnerships: As part of an increased focus on engagement with members and the broader agricultural sector the Board had a briefing on strategic communications to improve the information flow to our members, including endorsing plans for a range of regional events over 2023 and discussions on key collaborative partnerships with other industry groups. Key to this is the TFGA's belief that we will all be more effective and get better outcomes for the farming community when we work together.

The Board would also encourage all our members to get along to the Annual General Meeting on the 29 March 2023 at the Door of Hope in Launceston.

AGM papers will be mailed out to members over the coming weeks, including postal voting details for those who can't make the AGM.