**GIA Deed Governance**

**Meeting Summary – 15 December 2015**

The GIA (Transitional) Deed Governance Group met on 15 December 2015. This report summarises the key discussion items and decisions at each meeting. Note that some of these matters were also covered in the final Secretariat newsletter for 2015.

**TDGG Meeting 15 December 2015**

*Deed review*

TDGG has begun planning for the review of Deed implementation required two years after the first signing of the Deed (May 2014). TDGG agreed high level timings for the review, and confirmed it considers consultation with both Signatory and potential Signatory (and other) stakeholder groups will be important to the process. The Secretariat will shortly commence a process to implement the Deed review.

*Deed Governance Group status*

With the recent arrival of two additional Signatories, and further sectors close to signing the Deed, along with the near completion of the first Operational Agreement, and the impending review of the Deed, the governance group agrees that GIA is now sufficiently operational to no longer be considered ‘transitional’. Accordingly, from 1 January 2016, the group will simply be known as the Deed Governance Group (DGG).

*Fruit fly Operational Agreement*

TDGG noted that during the Interim Fruit Fly Council’s negotiations to finalise its Operational Agreement (OA), questions arose about the treatment of decisions made by GIA Signatories – pushing completion of the OA into 2016. DGG agreed to consider the various options to resolve the questions raised, and to review the matter again at the first meeting of 2016.

**Next meeting**

The next DGG meeting is scheduled for 4 March 2016.