



Dear Members,

It is with a heavy heart that I inform you that our former CEO, Kevin Cottrill, passed away on Sunday 10th December from a long illness.

Kevin had been the CEO of NMAA from 2002 prior to the merger in 2003 with Australian Meat Council (AMC), which formed AMIC.

Kevin had been at the forefront of this merger, ensuring that the new company and its new membership began effectively and efficiently.

For the better part of 15 years Kevin worked tirelessly on a number of key platforms, namely financial stability and growth of the Council, a strong constitution for the council and effective governance controls. Further, Kevin worked on a number of issues across both portfolios (Retail/Smallgoods and Processing) including Food Safety Programs, Country of Origin Labelling, Animal Welfare and many Industrial Relations and training programs.

Kevin's passion, and continued passion in retirement, was the AMIC members, always first and foremost.

He continued to serve as Chairman of AMIST and Director of MINTRAC. There are a number of industry colleagues that have mentioned to me the time that Kevin took to speak to them, and his ability to make them feel at ease with their own council decisions. He was always there to help.

For me personally, Kevin was a great role model and mentor. He left AMIC in a solid position, with a large amount of contented members, a good structure and great relationships. He had continued to provide me with guidance and was always that "safe pair of hands."

Our thoughts are with his wife Ann at this very sad time.

Kevin will be laid to rest on Monday
18th December at 12:30 pm at:

St Bernadette's Catholic Church
367 Old Northern Road
Castle Hill, NSW

And afterwards from 2:00 pm

The Estate Room
The Hills Lodge
1 Salisbury Road
Castle Hill, NSW

Sincerely,

Patrick Hutchinson
CEO