

## 2022 Election Priorities

### WORKFORCE

(RMAC, COSBOA, NFF, APL)

- A specific visa system designed for the PFG Meat supply chain, including small business (retail/wholesale) and smallgoods manufacturing **(ALL)**
- Funding for TESC programs in PFG supply chain (VET, school, university, On Job Training) **(ALL)**
- Dedicated access to the Skilling Australia Fund for the PFG Meat supply chain, including small business (retail/wholesale) and smallgoods manufacturing **(ALL)**

### INNOVATION

(AFGC, NFF, RMAC)

- Continued government investment in Food Manufacturing programs, including Industry 4.0 **(P/E, S/P)**
- Extension of the Modernising Manufacturing Fund and expanding the eligibility to businesses of up to 3000 employees **(P/E, S/P)**
- Undertake structural or technological upgrades to enhance traceability **(P/E, S/P)**

### MARKET ACCESS

(RMAC, NFF, APL, Asia Society, ABCC)

- Double the Australian Government technical market access negotiation capacity for Australian food exports **(P/E)**
- Continuation of the Agricultural Trade and Market Cooperation (ATMAC) program **(P/E)**
- Freeze increases in the Australian Government export inspection and certification fees and charges **(P/E)**

### SMALL BUSINESS

(COSBOA)

- Funding to assist PFG small business to digitise and link with suppliers and customers **(R/W)**
- Rebates for small businesses for on-the-job training to upskill workers and meet the shortfalls of training, plus matching skilled visa applicants, through digital pathways, with small businesses requiring specific skills. **(R/W)**
- More financial management incentives for small business, least cost routing being made the default for all payment types, including card payment at point-of-sale, online, and mobile wallets **(R/W)**

### LOGISTICS

(APSA, RMAC, NFF, APL)

- Infrastructure Fund focussed on investing in productivity improvements in Australia's international freight supply chains **(ALL)**
- Extension of the International Freight Assistance Mechanism (IFAM) to mid-2023 **(P/E, S/P)**
- Implementation of the outcomes of the Productivity Commission report into Australia's Maritime Logistics System

### SUSTAINABILITY

(RMAC, NFF, APL, SFO)

- Establishment of a regulatory framework for Australian organic foods, which would underpin both domestic and export production and sales for red meat **(ALL)**
- Create positive awareness campaigns of the Australian food industries and their contributions to the Australian economy **(ALL)**
- Alignment of each peak body's sustainability priorities for a collaborate many voices, one message advocacy approach