ABRI
AUSTRALIAN BATTERY RECYCLING INITIATIVE

GENERAL MEETING NOTES

When:	September 3rd, 11:30 – 2:30		
Where:	CEC, Level 15, 222 Exhibition St, Melbourne 3000	Ph:	02 9091 7603
Web meeting	https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/876777253	Access Code	847-877-253

AGENDA

Time	Agenda item
11:30	Welcome, attendance, review of Competition & Consumer Act Statement
11:35	Approval of minutes of the previous meeting (https://batteryrecycling.org.au/meeting-notes/)
11:40	Correspondence (Libby)
11:45	President appointment
11:50	Treasurer's report (Daryl)
12:00	Membership Drive (Daryl)
12:10	Membership (Ben)
12:20	Approval of ABRI Product Stewardship Policy (Attached)
12:30	Update on Mixed Battery Guidelines (Will, Tanya and Libby)
12:40	Update on review of the Rules (Will)
12:50	Harmonisation issues: Insurance / Regulation
1:00	Research Hub
1:05	CEO report
1:20	Other business
1:25	BSC Consultation: Final feedback and zeroing in on the Rebate structure (Gerry Morvell)
2:25	Review of 2019 calendar [please think about venues and speakers]

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS ARISING FROM THIS MEETING

ACTIONS		WHO
A1:	Offer webinars free to members only and a cost to non-members	Libby
A2:	Look at developing a 1 pager starter kit for each sector for new members	Libby
A3:	Everyone to think of 2 people that aren't on the Membership sector list to approach and email to Libby.	All
A4:	Send proposed rule changes to members for consideration prior to special AGM	Libby
A5:	Update Product Stewardship Policy with proposed changes around risk	Libby
A6:	Check the ULAB Guide for consistent wording and update section 9.1 of the Mixed Battery Guidelines as per the discussion for replacement of "steel".	Libby
A7:	Seek funding from QLD government to update Mixed Battery Guidelines and provide training	Libby
A8:	Ben to forward information to Libby in relation to feedback to the Vic EPA on the new environmental regulations. Ben to forward information to Libby in relation to feedback to the Vic EPA on the new environmental regulations.	Ben
A9:	Libby to forward a note to members asking for feedback in relation to the new environmental regulations to be included in a submission to the Victorian EPA	Libby
A10:	Members to send details of possible insurance brokers to Libby	All

ACTIONS		WHO
A11:	Libby to check rules of association to see if any issues with commission on policies	Libby
A12:	Libby to approach insurance brokers regarding partnership	Libby
A13:	Copy of letter to Susan Lay to be circulated to BR before being sent	Libby
A14:	BSC won't pay for stockpiles. If you think there is a stockpile issue that BSC need to deal with, need to let Libby know so government can be approached for funding	All

RELATED PRESENTATIONS

- 3rd September 2019 General Meeting PPT (enclosed)
- Treasurers Report (enclosed)
- CEO Report (enclosed)

1. Welcome and attendance

Ben opened the meeting and welcomed attendees.

Member	Organisation	Attendance
Ben Pritchard	Ramcar	✓
Libby Chaplin	ABRI	✓
Jim Salter	Australian Battery Industry Association	✓
Gerry Morvell	Battery Stewardship Council	✓
Dr Noel Duffy	CSIRO	✓
Bill Rock	Dodd & Dodd	✓
Daryl Moyle	EcoCycle	✓
John Polhill	EnviroStream	✓
Joel Newland	Infoactiv	✓
Helen Jarman	Infoactiv	✓
Will LeMessurier	MRI	✓
Troy Rowe	ReSourc	✓
Sharon Selwood	TES-AMM Australia Pty Ltd	✓
Janet Leslie	Canon Australia Pty Ltd	Web
Tony Ferraro	Club Assist	Web
Dojo Esquivel	Club Assist	web
Tanya Bradley	Sims Recycling Solutions	web
Rebecca Brown	Western Australian Local Govt Association	Web
Tim Lennon	Club Assist	Apology
Anand Bhatt	CSIRO	Apology
Bec Fleming	Gold Coast Resource Recovery	Apology
Scott Fleming	Gold Coast Resource Recovery	Apology
Grant Bolitho	GNB Inudstrial Power	Apology
Gregory Ralph	GNB Inudstrial Power	Apology
Ryan Aisher	Hydromet	Apology
Damien Giurco	Institute for Sustainable Futures, ISF	Apology
Adrian Griffin	Lithium Australia	Apology
Steve Sutherland	Macintype Design Pty Ltd	Apology
Gustavo Iragorri	NSW EPA	Apology
Ray Robson	R&J Batteries	Apology

2. Review of Competition & Consumer Act 2010 Compliance Statement

- The Competition & Consumer Act 2010 Compliance Statement was reviewed, and all agreed to abide by it.

3. Approval of minutes of the previous meeting

- Andy motioned to approve the minutes of the previous meeting held 25 June 2019.
- Ben seconded the motion
- The meeting notes were approved
- Actions from previous meeting were reviewed and items needing further action were included in the agenda

4. Correspondence

- A request has been sent to Planet Ark to enquire how recyclers are prioritized for listing on the recyclenearyou website.
- Still waiting on a response.
- A draft letter is ready to be sent to Hon Susann Ley MP in the next week or so regarding COAGs decision to put a ban on export of waste.

5. President appointment

- Andrew McKenzie from Envirostream has stepped down from the position of President.
- Following a call for nominations, an application was received from Ben Pritchard, current Vice President.
- Daryl motioned to approve the nomination
- Andy seconded the motion

6. Treasurer's report (Daryl)

- Daryl presented the profit loss report.
- A negative gross profit of $20,693 and total operating expenses of $44,191 was noted, giving a net profit as at 30 June 2019 of -$64,884.
- This is reflected by income which relates to membership income which is the source of revenue which is principally received in December/January.
- The balance sheet was presented as at 30 June 2019 noting a current bank balance of $51,447, Accounts receivable of $17,287 with total assets of $68,733, taking off total liabilities of $4,095 leaves Net Assets of $72,828.
- As at 31 August 2019, the total bank balance is $38,470 with Accounts Receivables of $4,858.78 and total liabilities of $6,404.98 (GST) leaving Net Assets of $49,733.78.
- Daryl presented a revised 2019 budget. It will be tight between now and December due to the International conference, until membership fees start to come in.
- Moving forward there is a need to increase the membership drive which leads to the next item.
- Ben motioned to approve the accounts and seconded by Andy

Revenue generating ideas were discussed

- Libby discussed revenue generating ideas which will be implemented over the next 12 months:
  - Sponsorship of guidelines
  - Sponsorship of events
  - Mixed Guidelines Webinar – charging a fee

7. Membership Drive

- Discussed opportunities for increasing membership
  - Ongoing need to show value
  - Suggestion to discuss at the upcoming Festival of Ideas.
  - Additional informative events
  - Potential risk of losing members to BSC when they become a fee for service body.
  - BSC and ABRI need to be complimentary rather than competitive, otherwise will be perception in the marketplace, to choose one or the other.
  - Important to differentiate from BSC
    - ABRI delivering technical expertise, information, education and advice.
    - Opportunity for ABRI to shape itself into more of a consultancy role, could get money back that way.
    - Need to make sure still seen as the peak body.

A1: Offer webinars free to members only and a cost to non-members	Libby

- Libby presented an analysis of current membership sectors have been identified – want to be representing the entire supply chain.
  - Agreed to add automotive and energy storage sectors.
  - Make local council conference a focus next year
  - Could speak to Liam at TSA – had major issues trying to get local council on board and now signed up quite a few over the last year.

A2:	Look at developing a 1 pager starter kit for each sector for new members	Libby
A3:	Everyone to think of 2 people that aren't on the Membership sector list to approach and email to Libby.	All

8. Review of Rules

- A governance training was given to the Executive in April from the Associations Forum on governance and how to govern the organization correctly.
- The training identified a need to update the rules
- Proposed to have a special meeting to approve the rule change at the same time as the Festival of Ideas.

9. Review of Membership Fees and Categories

- The Executive Committee is recommending a change in fees is to ensure the financial security of the Association given that:
  - Membership fees have not increased since 2010.
  - Revenue arising from current membership fees - $104,500.
  - Based on previous period, annual expenses for 2020 will be approximately $136,586.50.
  - Revenue arising from proposed change to membership fees - $134,500.
  - In addition to the proposed changes to the fee structure, additions funding raising activities are planned to include webinars and training for 2020.
- Rules state that the V structure would need to be approved at an AGM which is not due till March next year.
  - Propose to hold a special AGM on same day as Festival of Ideas in Sydney in October to take a vote and go through changed rules and look at fee structure for 2020.
  - It was confirmed that there are no governance issues if members are given proper notice.

- Membership invoices are sent out 1 December so AGM needs to be held prior to that or invoices sent out later. Festival of Ideas was thought to be the best time to review.
- Ben provided an outline of proposed fee changes. The proposal will be sent out for consideration.

A4:	Proposed rule changes to be sent to members for consideration prior to special AGM	Libby

10. Approval of ABRI Product Stewardship Policy (See enclosed presentation)

- Product Stewardship Policy had been circulated prior to the meeting.
- Andy raised a concern around risks – concentrates almost 100% on the fire risk with community safety

A5:	Andy to send Libby updates for Product Stewardship Policy	Andy
A6:	Libby to update Product Stewardship Policy with proposed changes around risk	Libby

- There being no other changes, the policy was approved.

11. Update on Mixed Battery Guidelines (Libby, Will and Tanya)

- An update on the Mixed Battery Guidelines was provided.
- Was a difficult exercise as the ADG is complex and EU Guidelines did not line up as well as we had hoped.
- The old Dangerous Goods Regulations didn't contemplate mixed batteries. The new guidance is designed to be in compliance with the Dangerous Goods
- Daniel Massey from WorkSafe has indicated he is happy to review.
- Discussion around strapping under 9.1 and mention of the word steel which should be avoided. Same terminology to be used as for lead acid for consistency.

A7:	Libby to check the ULAB Guide for consistent wording and update section 9.1 of the Mixed Battery Guidelines as per the discussion for replacement of "steel".	Libby

- Discussed opportunities for obtaining sponsorship for the guidelines, either with last page as sponsorship or with a download fee.
- Sustainability Victoria were approached to fund document and declined.
- Decision is not to charge for access to the guidelines but to seek government funding.

A8:	Seek funding from QLD government to update Mixed Battery Guidelines and provide training	Libby

12. Harmonisation issues: Insurance / Regulation

- The two most significant issues identified in the member were:
  - Lack of compliance and enforcement (storage, transport and export) creating an unlevel playing field
  - Increasingly inaccessible and unaffordable insurance
- Need to go to Commonwealth and talk to them and find out who is not complying.
- Vic EPA is inviting comment on the new Environmental Regulations for 2020 – due the end of October. It is currently very inconsistent.

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- Discussed options for assisting with insurance problems
  - Compiling a list of brokers to approach for ABRI partnership and make available to members. Could use as a potential revenue source.
  - ISRI offers branded/partnered insurance
  - Possible brokers discussed in the meeting include:
    - JG Gallagher - Andy to send details
    - Steve Richards, RSM Group
    - AON Group – Will to send contacts
    - Victorian Waste Management Association
    - Allianz - Troy to send details
  - Discussed option of partnering with insurance brokers and getting a commission

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14. Battery Stewardship Scheme Consultation (Gerry)

- Purpose was to obtain final feedback and finalise the Rebate structure
- Gerry Morvell from the Battery Stewardship Council joined the meeting to provide an update on feedback to date and also as a follow on of discussion at the Executive committee about restructure of the rebate.
- Gerry gave an update on the consultation process including input received during webinars and forums. Version 4 will reflect the changes.
- Key topic for ABRI is the rebate structure. Libby had reported to Gerry that there was now agreement among ABRI members that the rebate needed to include processing.
- Gerry proposed the question in relation to the processing issue – if a rebate was to be introduced for processing there would need to be some pressure for driving down the costs.
- Traceability will be key to the success of this process.
- Agreed that a $1/kg processing and $1/kg sorting reviewed after the first 12 months and commitment in the design.

15. Other business

- No other business

16. Review of 2019 calendar

- Meeting dates for remainder of the year are outlined below.

Meeting	Date	Time	Location
FESTIVAL OF IDEAS	October 29th	11:30 – 2:30	Sydney
ExCo	November 12th	11:30 – 2:30	Sydney
General Meeting	December 3rd	11:30 – 2:30	Melbourne

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Competition & Consumer Act 2010 (The Act) Compliance Statement

- The Act prohibits anti-competitive and restrictive trade practices.
- ABRI is committed to compliance with the Act and seeks to minimise the risk of a breach of the Act arising from its meetings and activities, particularly where members competing in the same market are involved.
- **Representatives of ABRI, directors, members and guests taking part in ABRI meetings must take care not to conduct business involving:**
  - **Sharing of information in relation to prices / mechanisms for setting of prices**
  - **Agreements not to deal with a particular business or class of business**
  - **Collective negotiations that have an anti-competitive effect**
  - **Attempts to influence competitors or supplier or customer behaviour in an anti-competitive behaviour.**

Meeting logistics

Meeting is being recorded for the purposes of notetaking and will be deleted once notes are approved

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MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion:	To approve the minutes of the previous meeting	Motioned:	Seconded:	All in favour?

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Minutes of the previous meeting - Actions Arising

ACTIONS	WHO	Status / Agenda item
Review version 3 of the new scheme design when available. Provide written feedback, attend a consultation meeting / webinar or become an initiator.	All	11. BSC
Monitor finances and report ExCo if any concerns regarding income and expense arise	Daryl	6. Treasurers Report
Send any news items to Libby to be included in the ABRI News or Member Bulletin.	All	
Update the ABRI Battery Stewardship Policy	Libby	7. & See attached
Feedback on the ABRI website welcomed	All	

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CORRESPONDENCE

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Correspondence

- Request from ABRI to PlanetArk to inquire:
  - Is it funded by government or advertising or a mixture?
  - How recycling / drop off options are prioritised in the recyclingnearyou website listings.
    - Is it random? Is it based on proximity? Is it affected by sponsorship?
  - Request the latest data on the number of battery inquiries

- Letter to Hon Susann Ley MP regarding the BAN on export of waste

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APPOINTMENT OF PRESIDENT

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TREASURERS REPORT

Daryl Moyle

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Profit and Loss

Australian Battery Recycling Initiative Inc
1 January 2019 to 30 June 2019

	30 Jun 19	30 Jun 18
Income		
BatteryBack	25,274	16,217
BSC Income - Phase 1		150,000
Interest Income	508	605
Interest Income - BSC		24
Membership Fees	2,000	6,000
Stewardship - Industry Working Group		4,357
Total Income	**27,782**	**177,204**
Less Cost of Sales		
Commissions	975	1,425
Secretariat Services	47,500	32,640
Total Cost of Sales	**48,475**	**34,065**
Gross Profit	**(20,693)**	**143,139**
Less Operating Expenses		
ABRI Meeting Expenses	2,829	-
ABRI Website	467	385
Accounting/Financial Services	1,170	460
Advertising/Marketing	1,762	-
AS 5377 Expenses	1,868	-
Bank Fees	48	48
BatteryBack Expense	18,476	8,506
BSC Travel Expenses	-	4,518
Bulletins and Newsletters	20	-
Circular Economy Meeting Expenses	476	-
Consulting Services - AS	-	7,545
Consulting Services - Other	-	1,874
Digital Services	479	39
Events and Conferences	818	144
General Expenses	1,105	-
Government Meetings Expenses	1,625	-
Industry Working Group	-	203
Insurance	2,194	2,194
Printing & Stationery	319	-
Reimbursable Expenses	-	(688)
Subscriptions	2,046	-
Telephone & Internet	184	-
Travel - National	8,305	-
Total Operating Expenses	**44,191**	**25,227**
Net Profit	**(64,884)**	**117,912**

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Balance Sheet

Australian Battery Recycling Initiative Inc
As at 30 June 2019

	30 Jun 2019	30 Jun 2018
Assets		
Bank		
ABRI Card Ac 3815	854	525
ABRI Savings Ac 3810	30,817	50,331
ABRI Transaction Ac 3813	19,775	26,890
BSC Account		160,054
Total Bank	**51,447**	**237,800**
Current Assets		
Accounts Receivable	17,287	12,656
Total Current Assets	**17,287**	**12,656**
Total Assets	**68,733**	**250,456**
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
GST	(4,095)	10,882
Rounding		
Total Current Liabilities	**(4,095)**	**10,882**
Total Liabilities	**(4,095)**	**10,882**
Net Assets	**72,828**	**239,573**
Equity		
Current Year Earnings	(64,884)	117,912
Retained Earnings	137,712	121,661
Total Equity	**72,828**	**239,573**

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Balance Sheet

Australian Battery Recycling Initiative Inc
As at 31 August 2019

Add Summary

	31 Aug 2019	31 Aug 2018
Assets		
Bank		
ABRI Card Ac 3815	833.21	449.83
ABRI Savings Ac 3810	20,927.72	50,472.03
ABRI Transaction Ac 3813	16,709.09	38,167.54
BSC Account	0.00	94,368.65
Total Bank	**38,470.02**	**183,458.05**
Current Assets		
Accounts Receivable	4,858.78	10,105.95
Total Current Assets	**4,858.78**	**10,105.95**
Total Assets	**43,328.80**	**193,564.00**
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	0.00	11,191.87
GST	(6,404.86)	4,649.08
Rounding	(0.12)	0.00
Total Current Liabilities	**(6,404.98)**	**15,840.95**
Total Liabilities	**(6,404.98)**	**15,840.95**
Net Assets	**49,733.78**	**177,723.05**
Equity		
Current Year Earnings	(87,978.52)	56,061.72
Retained Earnings	137,712.30	121,661.33
Total Equity	**49,733.78**	**177,723.05**

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ABRI Profit and Loss For the year ended 31 December 2019 (Cash Basis)

Account	Jan 2019	Feb 2019	Mar 2019	Apr 2019	May 2019	Jun 2019	Jul 2019	Aug 19 Budget	Sep 19 Budget	Oct 19 Budget	Nov 19 Budget	Dec 19 Budget	TOTAL 2019
Income													
Trading Profit													
Revenue													
Batteryback	0	0	0	0	18,476	0	0	7,478	0	0	0	0	25,954
Interest Income	101	92	107	106	114	68	47	0	0	0	0	0	635
Membership Fees	7,000	23,500	16,500	0	3,500	6,000	4,500	0	0	0	0	50,000	111,000
Reimbursed Expenses	7,500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7,500
Total Revenue	**14,601**	**23,592**	**16,607**	**106**	**22,090**	**6,068**	**4,547**	**7,478**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**50,000**	**145,089**
Sale of Goods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cost of Sales													
Commissions	0	975	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	975
Secretariat Services	5,440	5,440	5,440	5,440	5,440	20,300	7,917	7,916	7,916	7,916	7,916	7,916	94,997
Total Cost of Sales	**5,440**	**6,415**	**5,440**	**5,440**	**5,440**	**20,300**	**7,917**	**7,916**	**7,916**	**7,916**	**7,916**	**7,916**	**95,972**
Total Income	**9,161**	**17,177**	**11,167**	**(5,334)**	**16,650**	**(14,232)**	**(3,370)**	**(438)**	**(7,916)**	**(7,916)**	**(7,916)**	**42,084**	**49,117**
Expenses													
ABRI Meeting Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	2,829	0	42	42	600	42	42	3,597
ABRI Website	0	0	0	0	0	467	0	100	0	100	0	100	767
Accommodation - International	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,500	0	0	2,500
Accommodation - National	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	400	400	400	400	1,600
Accounting/Financial Services	0	0	0	0	660	510	1,000	100	100	100	100	100	2,670
Advertising/Marketing	23	29	0	0	1,710	0	0	0	0	500	0	0	2,262
AS 5377 Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	1,868	0	155	155	155	155	155	2,643
Bank Fees	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	16	16	16	16	16	136
BatteryBack Expense	0	0	0	0	18,476	0	0	0	0	7,478	0	1,750	27,704
BSC Consulting - AS	0	16,840	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16,840
Bulletins and Newsletters	0	0	0	0	0	20	12	12	12	12	12	12	92
Circular Economy Meeting Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	476	0	0	0	0	0	0	476
Digital Services	115	115	0	0	0	248	0	60	60	60	60	60	779
Events and Conferences	0	818	0	0	0	0	0	183	2,500	183	183	187	4,054
General Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	1,116	0	100	100	100	100	100	1,616
Government Meetings Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	1,625	0	170	170	170	170	170	2,475
Insurance	0	2,194	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,194
Meals - National	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	200	200	200	200	200	1,000
Office Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	120	120	120	120	120	600
Printing & Stationery	96	112	0	0	0	110	0	274	0	0	0	0	593
Subscriptions	0	0	0	0	2,046	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,046
Telephone & Internet	0	184	0	0	0	0	0	150	150	150	150	150	934
Travel and Accommodation													
International Travel and Accommodation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,000	0	0	3,000
National Travel and Accommodation	3,245	5,060	0	0	0	0	0	800	800	800	800	800	12,305
Total Travel and Accommodation	**3,245**	**5,060**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**800**	**800**	**3,800**	**800**	**800**	**15,305**
Total Expenses	**3,487**	**25,361**	**8**	**8**	**22,900**	**9,278**	**1,020**	**2,482**	**4,825**	**16,644**	**2,508**	**4,362**	**92,883**
Profit/(Loss) before Taxation	**5,673**	**(8,184)**	**11,159**	**(5,342)**	**(6,249)**	**(23,510)**	**(4,390)**	**(2,920)**	**(12,741)**	**(24,560)**	**(10,424)**	**37,722**	**(43,765)**

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Aged Receivables Summary

Australian Battery Recycling Initiative Inc

As at 6 August 2019

CONTACT	CURRENT	< 1 MONTH	1 MONTH	2 MONTHS	3 MONTHS	OLDER	TOTAL
Bunnings Group Ltd	-	7,477.80	-	-	-	-	7,477.80
City of Sydney	-	-	-	-	-	1,100.00	1,100.00
Gold Coast Resource Recovery	-	-	-	-	-	825.00	825.00
MRI (Aust) Pty Ltd	-	-	-	-	-	1,283.78	1,283.78
Solax Power Australia	-	-	-	-	-	1,650.00	1,650.00
Total	**-**	**7,477.80**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**4,858.78**	**12,336.58**

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Revenue generating ideas

- Sponsorship of guidelines
- Sponsorship of events
  - ABRI Meetings/Catering
  - Golf day
- Mixed Guidelines Webinar
- Membership drive (Next agenda item)
- Informative events
  - Lithium fire safety symposium
  - ULAB licensing
  - Plant tours

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MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

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Current Members

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Membership Drive

- Identify market segments and current value proposition for each segment (see next slide)
- Improve value for members
  - Move Guidance to the member only area?
  - Seek funding from QLD government to update mixed battery guidelines and provide training
  - Offer webinars free to members at cost for non-members
- Task for today
  - Brainstorm organisations/contacts in each category (see next slide)
  - Highlight likely candidates
  - Provide contacts in each to Libby
  - Identify contacts you would like to follow up with

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Membership sectors

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Brands	Retailers	Transport/Distribution	Recyclers	Associates

▪ Facilitate Producer Responsibility
▪ Access to network
▪ Knowledge base for EOL
▪ Participation in circular economy
▪ Industry voice
▪ Access to latest international battery news in monthly newsletter
	▪ Connection to EOL network
	▪ Safety guidelines
	▪ Best practice
	▪ Industry voice
	▪ Access to latest international battery news in monthly newsletter
		▪ Extraction of batteries from traditional collections
		▪ Best practice
		▪ Harmonisation of regulations / insurance
		▪ Networking
		▪ Knowledge base, e.g.
		  ▪ International
		  ▪ ADG
		  ▪ e.g. AS 5377
		  ▪ ABRI guidelines
		▪ Promotion of services
		▪ Industry voice
		▪ Access to latest international battery news in monthly newsletter
			▪ Improved stewardship outcomes
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				▪ Industry voice
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Examples of companies in each sector

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Brands	Retailers	Transport/Distribution	Recyclers	Associates
Panasonic (next year)	Bunnings	Toll	Advanced Resources Recycling	
Makita	ALDI	Suez	QLS/Ecycle Solutions	
Stanley	Woolworths	Veolia	Visy	
TTI	Coles	Remondis	1800ewaste	
Bosch	Officeworks	Cleanaway		
	Super Retail Group	JJ Richards		
	Trade Tools	JR Richards		
	Total Tools			

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REVIEW OF GOVERNANCE
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APPROVAL OF ABRI PRODUCT STEWARDSHIP POLICY
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Approval of ABRI Product Stewardship Policy (circulated with agenda)

BATTERY STEWARDSHIP POLICY The solution is in our hands

This policy confirms that ABRI is in full support of actions to ensure that a national product stewardship scheme for batteries is established as a matter of priority.

Our commitment

We are uniquely situated to transform this problematic waste stream into a success story for this government and for Australia. Now is the time to move from discussion to action on the ground.

Our commitment is to provide pro-active support for a scheme that:

- *includes ALL batteries in scope*[1],
- *is focused on maximising diversion from landfill, minimising costs and maximising value,*
- *delivers strong environmental, health and safety standards,*
- *ensures recycling chain transparency,*
- *eliminates free riding through changes to the Product Stewardship Act,*
- increases domestic employment and economic opportunities,
- increases onshore processing to enhance Australia's waste management security and reduce exposure to changes in international willingness to receive waste batteries, and
- *provides for ongoing research in the form of stocks and flows, and best practices for collection, transport, storage, handling, and recycling.*

Responsibilities

ABRI executive and members will support and promote this policy.

[1] Lead acid batteries are currently being collected at a very high rate and as such as not proposed for inclusion in a scheme at this time.

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Update on Mixed Battery Guidelines

Will, Tanya and Libby

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Response to Feedback & Focus on Rebate

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Essential foundations

INCREASED COLLECTION & RECYCLING

Environment, health & safety benefit	Not for profit based on cost recovery	Member 2 Member Agreements	Leveraging Model
	Levy on imports		Rebate
	Proposed initially as 4c/Equivalent Battery Unit EBU (24 grams)		Proposed initially as $2.50/kg Metro collections $3.50/kg regional Sorting/Processing $2.00/kg?

BATTER STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL
Board / Governance / Administration / Marketing / Incentives / Monitoring & Review

ACCREDITATION/VERIFICATION

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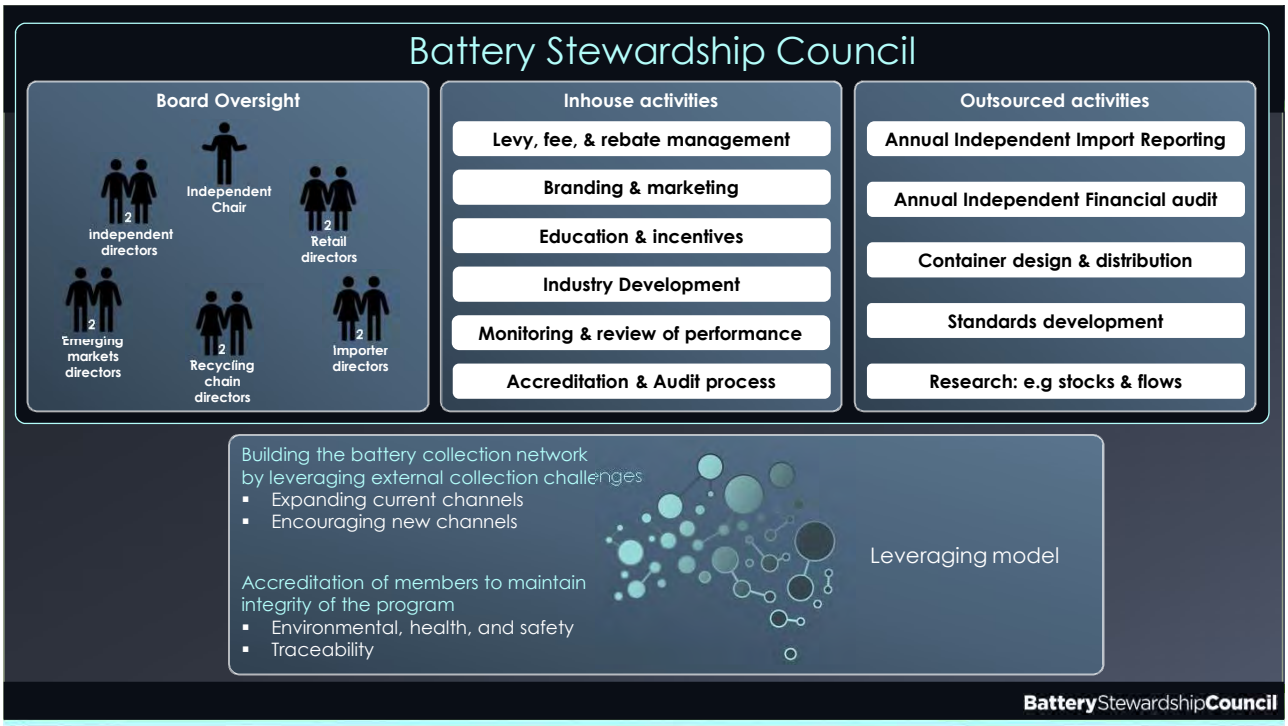
Battery Stewardship Council
Board Oversight
2 independent directors
Independent Chair
2 Retail directors
2 Emerging markets directors
2 Recycling chain directors
2 Importer directors
Inhouse activities
Levy, fee, & rebate management
Branding & marketing
Education & incentives
Industry Development
Monitoring & review of performance
Accreditation & Audit process
Outsourced activities
Annual Independent Import Reporting
Annual Independent Financial audit
Container design & distribution
Standards development
Research: e.g stocks & flows
Building the battery collection network by leveraging external collection challenges
Expanding current channels
Encouraging new channels
Accreditation of members to maintain integrity of the program
Environmental, health, and safety
Traceability
Leveraging model
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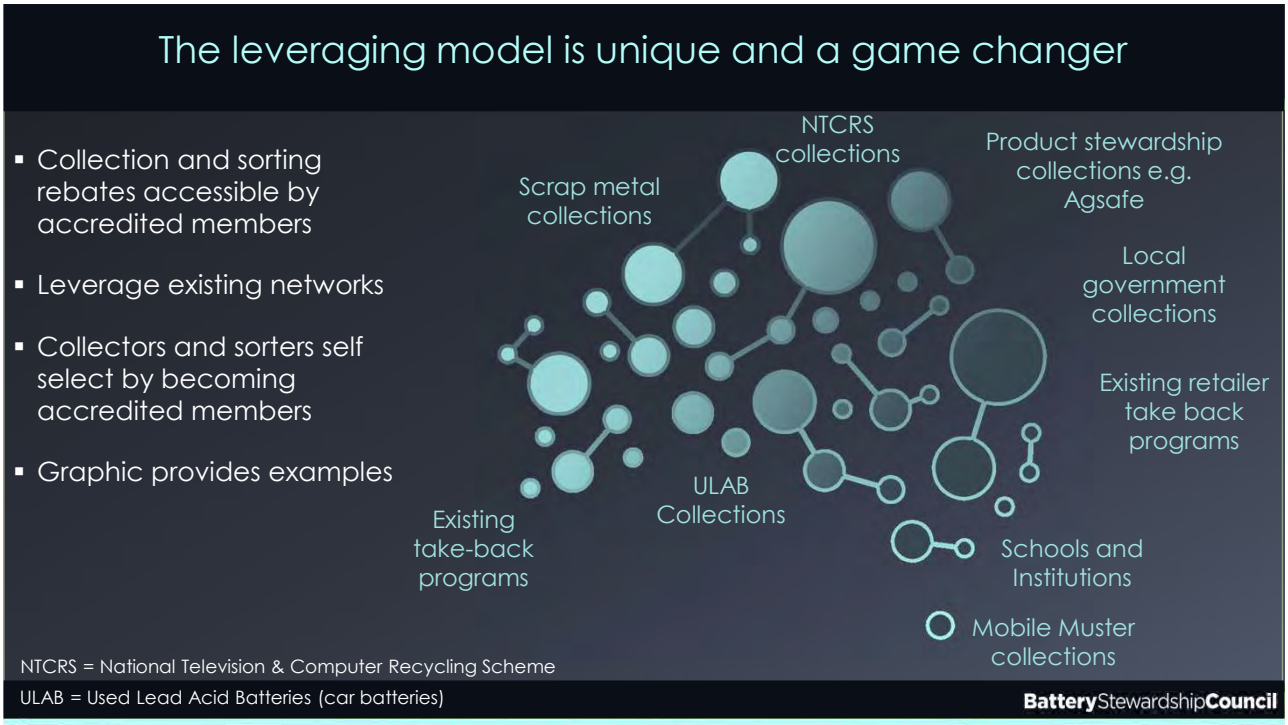
The leveraging model is unique and a game changer
Collection and sorting rebates accessible by accredited members
Leverage existing networks
Collectors and sorters self select by becoming accredited members
Graphic provides examples
NTCRS collections
Scrap metal collections
Product stewardship collections e.g. Agsafe
Local government collections
Existing retailer take back programs
ULAB Collections
Existing take-back programs
Schools and Institutions
Mobile Muster collections
NTCRS = National Television & Computer Recycling Scheme
ULAB = Used Lead Acid Batteries (car batteries)
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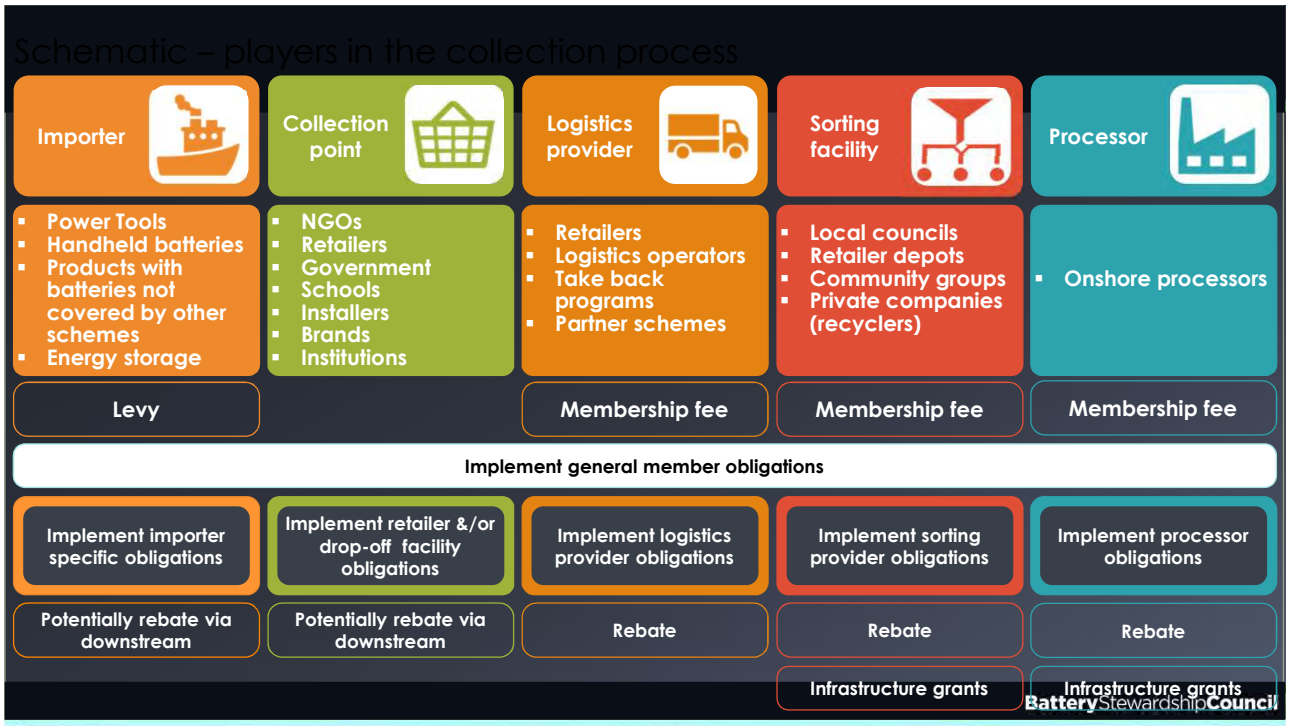
Schematic – players in the collection process
Importer
Collection point
Logistics provider
Sorting facility
Processor
Power Tools
Handheld batteries
Products with batteries not covered by other schemes
Energy storage
NGOs
Retailers
Government
Schools
Installers
Brands
Institutions
Retailers
Logistics operators
Take back programs
Partner schemes
Local councils
Retailer depots
Community groups
Private companies (recyclers)
Onshore processors
Levy
Membership fee
Membership fee
Membership fee
Implement general member obligations
Implement importer specific obligations
Implement retailer &/or drop-off facility obligations
Implement logistics provider obligations
Implement sorting provider obligations
Implement processor obligations
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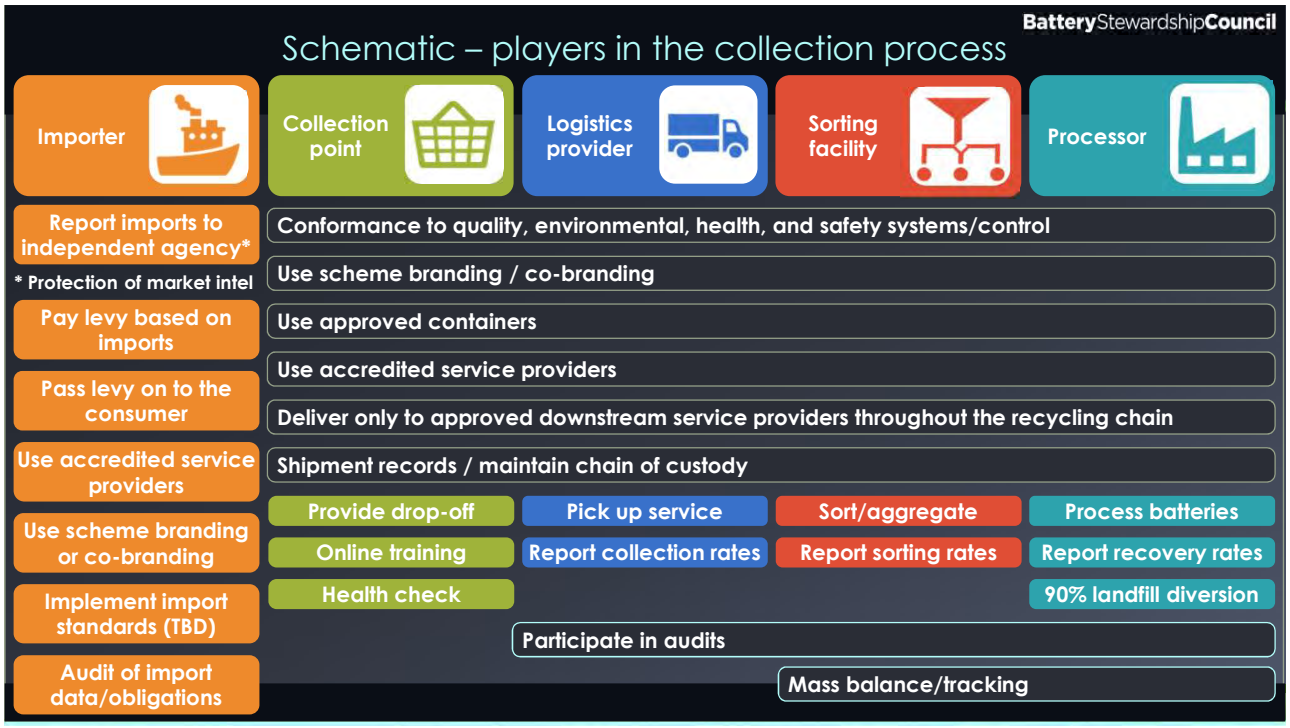
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Schematic – players in the collection process
Importer
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Logistics provider
Sorting facility
Processor
Report imports to independent agency*
* Protection of market intel
Pay levy based on imports
Pass levy on to the consumer
Use accredited service providers
Use scheme branding or co-branding
Implement import standards (TBD)
Audit of import data/obligations
Conformance to quality, environmental, health, and safety systems/control
Use scheme branding / co-branding
Use approved containers
Use accredited service providers
Deliver only to approved downstream service providers throughout the recycling chain
Shipment records / maintain chain of custody
Provide drop-off
Online training
Health check
Pick up service
Report collection rates
Sort/aggregate
Report sorting rates
Process batteries
Report recovery rates
90% landfill diversion
Participate in audits
Mass balance/tracking

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Deployment Plan

Milestone	Tasks	Status	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Milestone 4	Finalisation of scheme design								
	Refinement of design following BSC General Meeting								
	BSC General Meetings								
Milestone 5	Finalisation of ACCC application								
	Face to face negotiations with initiators								
	Face to face negotiations with signatories								
	Preparation of ACCC application								
	BSC Leadership Meeting								
	Submission of ACCC application								

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Questions for Discussion & Resolution

- 90%? diversion from landfill to be demonstrated by participating recyclers
- Membership fees
- Rebate (see following slides)
- Integration issues (see following slides)

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Rebate

- Rebate in V3 focused on core market failure
  - Collection (Metropolitan - $2.50/kg / Regional - $3.50/kg) Sorting ($2.00/kg)
- Feedback suggests need to change the rebate
  - Need to ensure processing of all chemistries, not just high value
  - Need to encourage regional/remote collections
  - Need to encourage circular economy and onshore processing
  - No capacity to raise the levy, so need to adjust within the current rebate amounts
- Proposed change (subject to discussion with industry)
  - Collection rebate stays the same
  - Sorting rebate becomes $1.50/kg
  - Processing rebate becomes 50c/kg subject to annual review
    - In response, processors will be required to:
      - Take all chemistries
      - Report on any major market failure with difficult chemistries
      - Innovation and market development plan to move to higher value products with onshore processing to facilitate lowering of the rebate in the future
      - BSC will work with government to facilitate support for innovation
      - Demonstrate costs
    - Need to focus on cost recovery and downward pressure due to economies of scale

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Integration: BSC Key Principles

- Levy/reporting
  - No double payments for imported batteries
  - Import reporting could be done directly or through existing Arrangements/PSO
- Rebate
  - Arrangements could be eligible for batteries not in their existing scope if they join BSC and meet obligations
  - Recyclers would not be able to claim any batteries that come in under NTCRS scope
- Procedures would be negotiated with each Scheme (not PSOs) to address variations
  - Import data reporting models (import codes vs self reporting)
  - Collection channels/methods (E.g. NTCRS does not encourage batteries vs MM which does)

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How to we manage loose computer batteries in BSC scope?

- Levy reporting
  - Importers self report loose computer batteries to the BSC
  - Importers report loose computer batteries to the Product Stewardship Arrangement (PSA) /Product Stewardship Organisation (PSO) -> PSA/PSO would report imports to the BSC as an aggregate & pay liability
- Important to demonstrate materiality before investing much time
  - Scope: need to determine whether batteries imported as spare parts are in scope of the NTCRS
    - Embedded batteries definitely in NTCRS scope and not in BSC
    - Spare parts not a large volume and will be collected by NTCRS
  - Which importers would be most affected?

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Options for levy/rebate management

- Could we create a standard algorithm to identify liability as a proportion of loose vs embedded based on a sampling process (of imports or of that recycled)?
  - Of batteries imported by NTCRS, x% are assumed to arise from products and x% are loose – levy paid by NTCRS accordingly ??
- Could we create a standard algorithm for allocating rebate?
  - Of batteries recovered through the NTCRS, x% are assumed to arise from products and x% are loose – levy paid by NTCRS accordingly ??
  - Of batteries collected by the BSC, x% are assumed to arise from products and x% are loose – rebate allocated accordingly (SEEMS COMPLEX!)
- Could do an audit to determine the proportion received from embedded products or not
  - NTCRS are unlikely to receive loose batteries
  - Mobile Muster might
- Recyclers would be required to track and report separately for embedded and loose batteries
  - One option might be to have a base calculation – report on IT / screen split
  - Apply standard yield of embedded batteries and an Arrangement could not claim above that threshold (SEEMS COMPLEX)
- Could we exclude computer batteries from the scope of BSC? Implications?
  - Resulting contamination rate?

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Become an initiator

Be part of the solution

Initiators will become part of the ACCC application

Demonstrate support for the proposed scheme design

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Take a deeper dive - resources are available online

- Give us a call or provide written feedback

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Pathway
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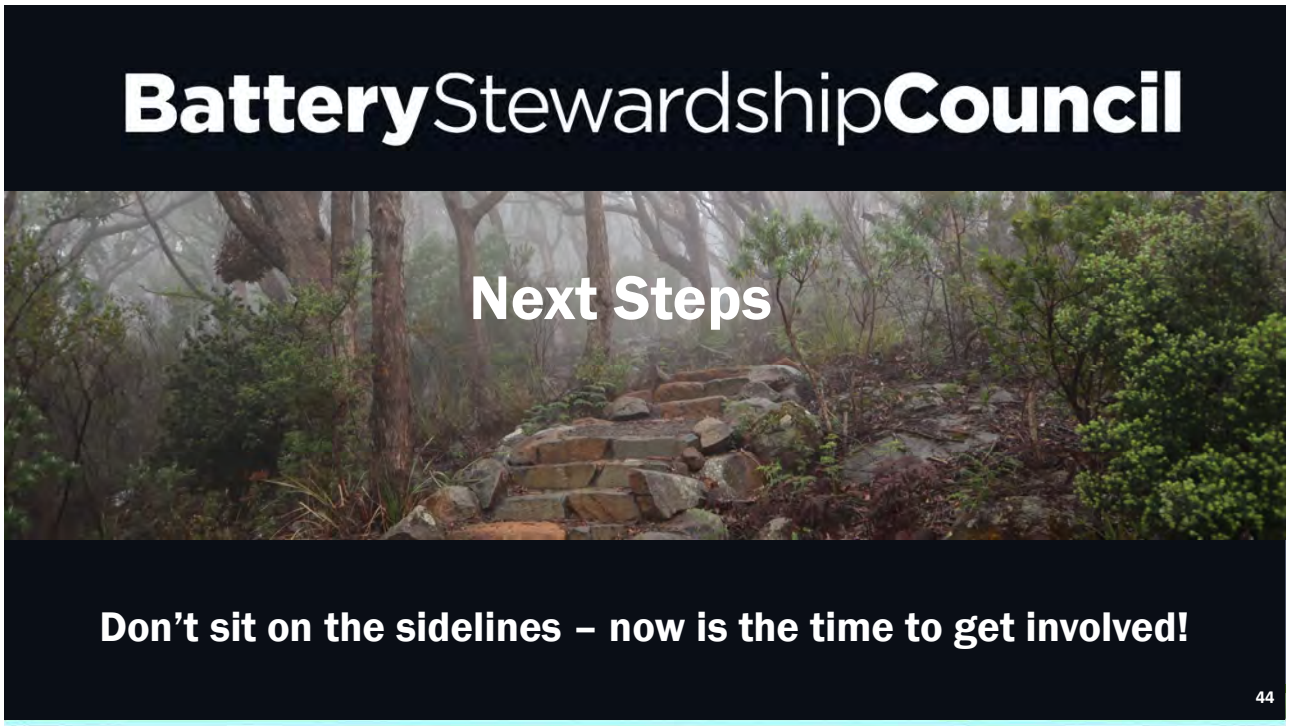
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Next Steps
Don't sit on the sidelines – now is the time to get involved!
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- Send written feedback
- Come along to a consultation meeting/webinar and share your views
- Become an initiator

How to get involved

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HARMONISATION

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Industrial Transformation Research Hub Funding Approved

Microrecycling of Batteries and Electronic Components for Manufacturing Materials

Lead Organisation - University Of New South Wales, Funding: $3,317,500 Timeline: 5 yrs

- Research Team (ABRI members in bold)
  - Prof. Veena Sahajwalla; **Prof. Damien Giurco**; Prof. Sankar Bhattacharya; Prof. Anthony O'Mullane; Ass. Prof. Antonio Tricoli; **Dr Nicholas Florin**; Prof. Pascal Perez; Dr Farshid Pahlevani; Dr Rakesh Joshi; **Mr Alvin Piadasa**; Mr Ian Tooze; Dr Tillmann Boehme; Dr Naomi Boxall; Dr Neeraj Sharma; Dr Samane Maroufi; Ass. Prof. Hongxia Wang; Dr Heriberto Bustamante; Prof. Maria Forsyth; Prof. Themis Prodromakis; Dr Arunima Malik; Mr Robert Thomson; **Mr Spyro Kalos**; Mr Geoffrey Bell; Professor Steve Evans; Dr Shiju Raveendran; Mr Alejandro Lorenc; Dr Robert Kerr; **Mr Warren Overton**; Dr Marta Fernandes; Dr Cristina Pozo-Gonzalo; Mr Karl Check; **Mr Paul Klymenko ; Mr Michael Dudley**; **Ms Libby Chaplin**
- Aims
  - To transform Australia's waste & resource recovery industry by equipping it with scientifically developed advanced manufacturing capability, focusing on small-scale processing of materials produced from battery & consumer wastes that would otherwise mostly end up in landfill.
- Expected outcomes
  - Industry adoption of commercially viable technology and processes where low value or complex waste is reformed into higher value materials, creating jobs and significant environmental and social benefits.
- Partner Organisations
  - Commonwealth Steel Company; Tes-amm Australia; Nespresso; Planet Ark; OEH; International Energy Agency; Sydney Water Corporation; Vector Limited; AMTA; Sol.Ar Srl; Anzrp; SV; ABRI

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Our objectives

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Advance circular economy models for batteries

2019 Workplan

- Support battery sustainability and ethical supply initiatives
- Foster partnerships with peak bodies to support circular economy for batteries
- Lobby govt to change recycling classification from 'waste to manufacturing
- Approach the Department of Industry with the results of the stocks and flows with the view to talk about how it integrates with their agenda

- AWRE Panel discussion planned for October
  - *Essential supply chain elements necessary for achieving a circular economy for batteries*
    - *Chair: ABRI*
    - *Panel*
      - *CEC*
      - *Lithium Australia*
      - *BSC*
      - *Envirostream*
      - *AGL?*
- CRC Application with ISF $1.9m: Assessing Life Cycle Impacts of Lithium and Vanadium in circular economy battery value chains

Upcoming opportunities/linkages?

- CSIRO Mission on Circular economy for critical Metals recycling
- Victorian Circular Economy policy

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Facilitate the national battery stewardship scheme

2019 Workplan

- Provide executive support and strategic guidance to the establishment of a national battery stewardship scheme
- Contribute to BSC standards and best practices, e.g. practical tracking system
- Liaise with EXIT CYCLE to ensure consistent approach/integration with BSC

Recent Activity

- Attendance at Department of Environment consultation regarding voluntary stewardship schemes
  - Key issues raised – Free riders
- Update of BSC activities

Upcoming opportunities/linkages?

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Facilitate effective & harmonized government policy

2019 Workplan

- Lobby opposition governments to support a circular economy for batteries
- Work with government to harmonise regulations for storage and transport (e.g. similar to the model used by National Heavy Vehicle Law)

Recent Activity

- Member Survey to explore issues
- Deadline extended to encourage participation
- ACTION: Ben to call members to request they complete the survey
- Response rate:

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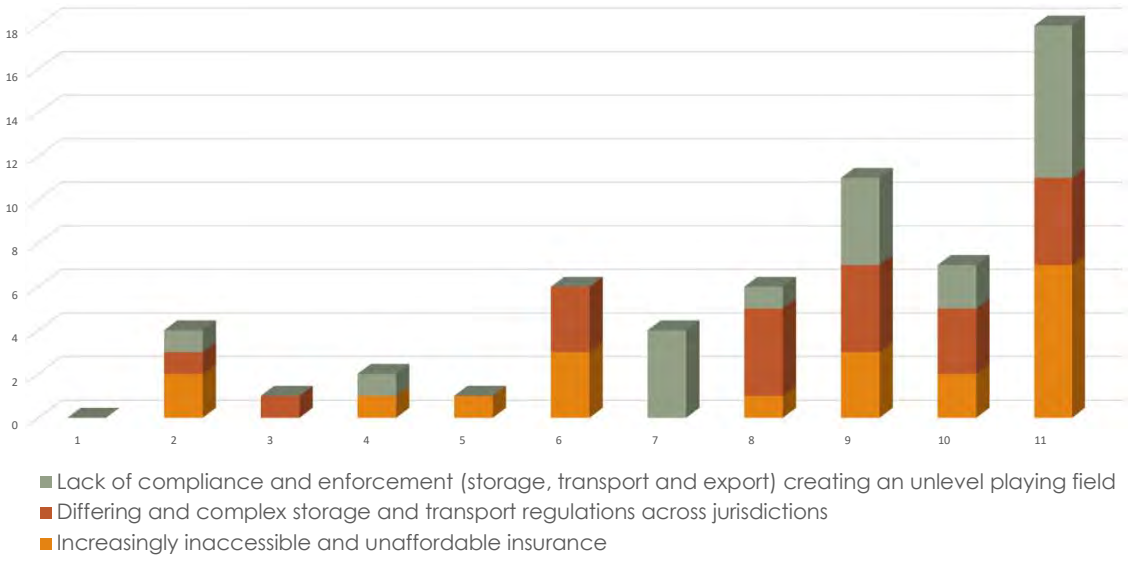
How do you rate the following issues that are currently affecting our industry?



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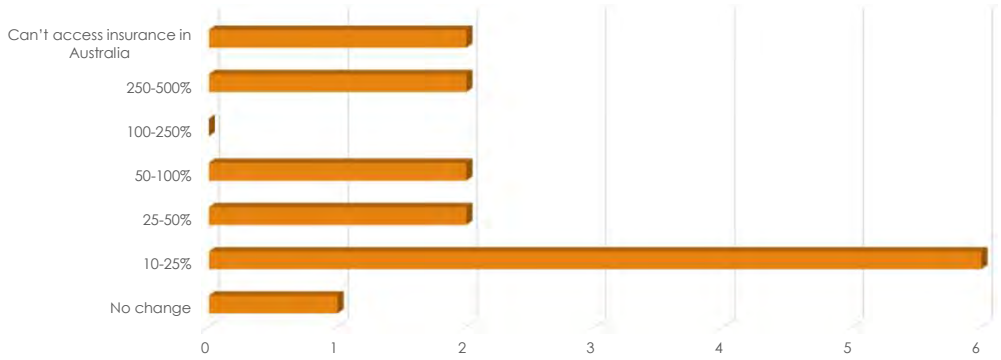

Comments

- International umbrella insurance provided by parent co
- Cannot agree with insurance companies
- Other
- Not applicable
- Can only get public liability insurance, nothing else on offer

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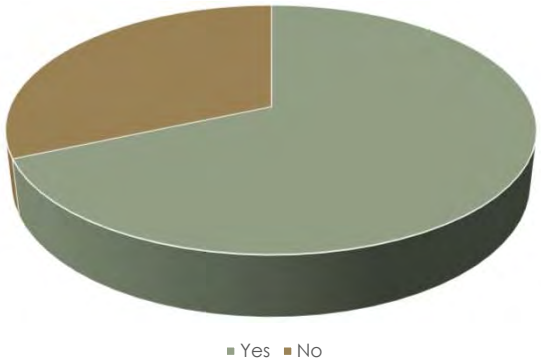
Have you been able to secure local insurance coverage?



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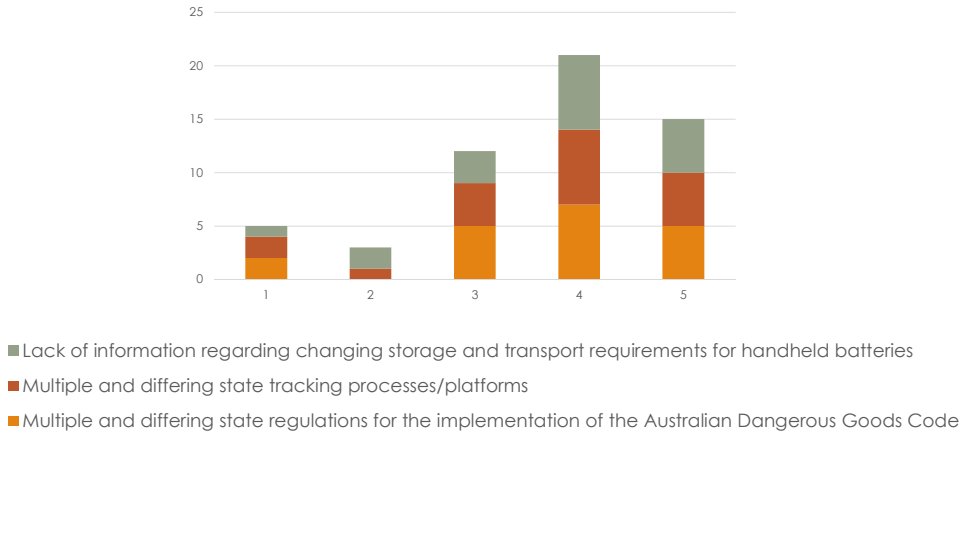
On a scale of 1–5, how challenging are the differing transport requirements across jurisdictions



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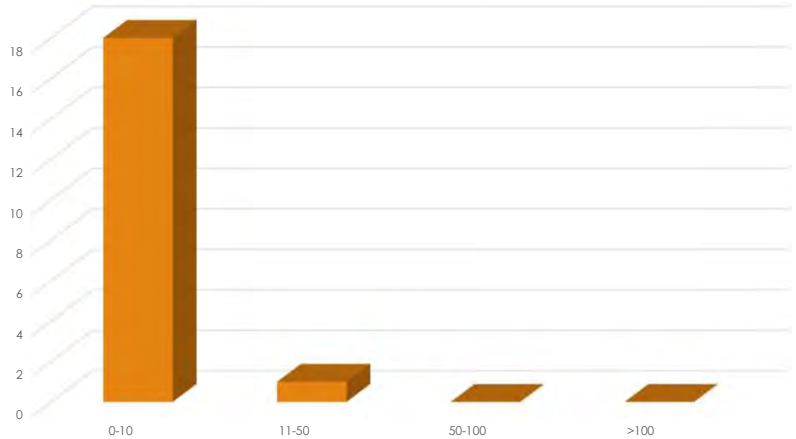
How many local state and federal agencies are you required to apply to for permits/approval?



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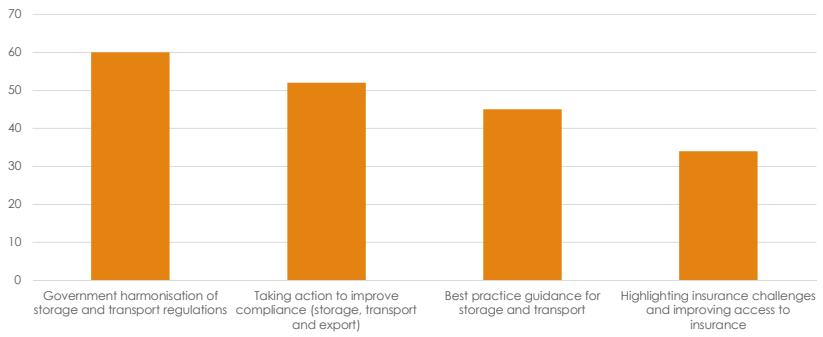
How would you prioritise the following areas for action by abri given our limited resources?



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Foster international dialogue & sharing of best practice

2019 Workplan

- Share our technical knowledge in the Asia Pacific region
- Continue EU / US / Australia circular economy dialogue
- Learn about the IEC/ISO Standard being developed in Japan

Recent Activity

- Obtained EU Guidelines for Lithium packaging
- ICBR Steering Committee
  - 50% discount on ICBR registration

Upcoming opportunities/linkages?

- Recommendations for facilities in France to visit?

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Secretariat governance & operations

2019 Workplan

- Review Rules and membership categories

Recent Activity

- Update of Website Procedure
- Conflict of interest policy under development
- Risk assessment

Upcoming /needs/ opportunities/linkages?

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Educate & promote battery recycling

2019 Workplan

- Simplify our message to make it easy for everyone in industry, consumer to recycle
- Ensure marketing Why to recycle – in lay terms
- Battery recycling is simple – this is how …

Recent Activity

- ABRI News and Member Bulletin

CAMPAIGN	SENT	RECIPIENTS	OPENED	CLICKED
ABRI July News	Last Wednesday	678	29.54%	21.83%
ABRI June News	29 Jun	687	33.23%	22.97%
ABRI Member Bulletin	7 Jun	102	34.65%	20%
ABRI May News	31 May	727	35.39%	31.35%

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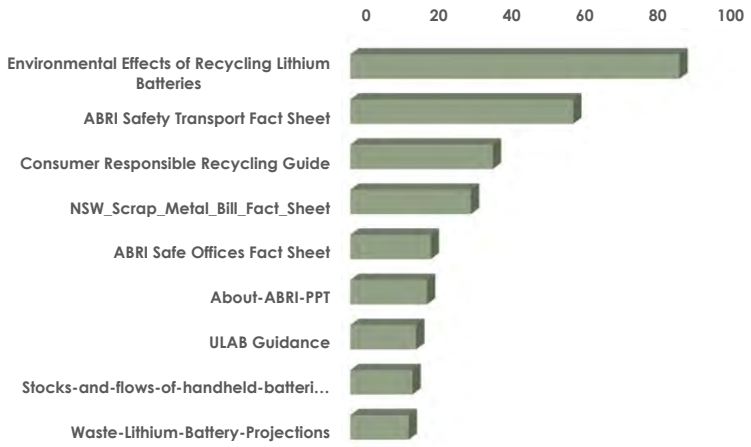

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Provide leadership in the battery knowledge base

2019 Workplan

- Seek funding for the development of a Battery Collection, Transport, and Recycling Standard and Guidance
- Seek funding for Review of AS 5377 to ensure compliance to Internationally recognised standards
- Review current knowledge base
- Promote the information that we have produced

Recent Activity

- Continued participation in the revision of AS 5377
  - Working Groups:

Revision of Guidelines

- Mixed Battery Guidelines
  - Comments?

Upcoming opportunities/ linkages?

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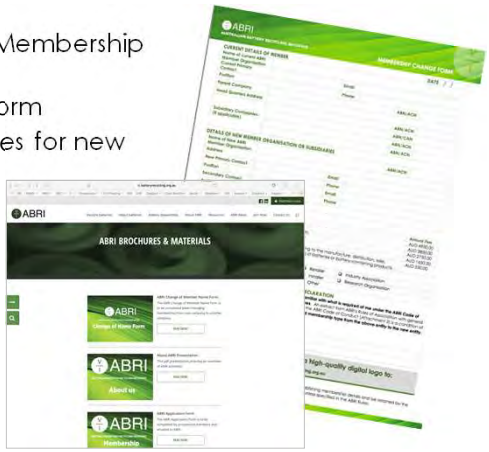
Sustain & grow ABRI membership

2019 Workplan

- Review member categories, rules, and fee structure, government in particular
- Identify different streams and value proposition for each & tailored ABRI packets
  - E-waste | Fleets | Forklifts | Retailers | Recyclers | Research groups | Govt | Energy storage | EV | Power tools | Consumer groups | Appliances e.g. Choice
- Promote 2019 Events such as this in a monthly member update

Recent Activity

- Updated the ABRI Membership Application
- Change of name form
- Welcome certificates for new members



Upcoming opportunities/ linkages?

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Expand & sustain membership

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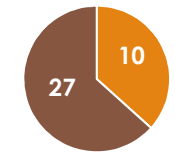

Continuing corporate members	
1. AGL New Energy	15. Lex Enviro Service
2. ANZRP	16. Lithium Australia (?)
3. Australia Post	17. Infoactiv Australia
4. Canon Australia Pty Ltd	18. MRI (Aust) Pty Ltd
5. Century Yuasa Batteries (BatteryWorld)	19. Neometals
6. Close the Loop Ltd	20. Ocean Batteries Australia (?)
7. Club Assist Pty Ltd	21. Resourc
8. CMA EcoCycle (Recycal)	22. R&J Batteries
9. Dodd & Dodd	23. Powercell
10. Enirgi (*)	24. Samsung
11. EnviroStream	25. Sims Recycling Solutions
12. Hyrdomet	26. Supercharge Batteries (*)
13. GNB Industrial Power	27. TES-AMM Australia Pty Ltd
14. Gold Coast Resource Recovery	28. Watts Batteries
	29. Solax Power Australia

Affiliate members	
1. AMTA	6. NSW EPA
2. CSIRO	7. Planet Ark
3. QLD Dept. Environment & Science	8. Smart Energy Council
4. ISF	9. Sustainability Victoria
5. MacIntype Design Pty Ltd	10. Zero Waste SA

- New Members
  - Resourc
- Indication of desire to day as a member, but not yet paid
  - GCRR
- Outgoing members – no response to contact
  - Solax

Category	Turnover	#
Corporate 1	Turnover above $20 million	13
Corporate 2	Turnover $5 - 20 million	6
Corporate 3	Turnover $1 - 5 million	5
Corporate 4	Turnover < $1 million	5
Affiliate	NA	10
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Proposal to update the Rules

- It is proposed that the ABRI Rules be updated
  - To address items previously identified by ExCo (see next slide)
  - In response to Association Forum Review (attached)
  - Change membership categories (see following proposal)

- Path forward
  - Establish a Working Group (make recommendation to EXCO) or EXCO to review the Rules
  - Review the Rules and submit to the AGM for approval

Excerpt from the Rules

12.6 Alteration of Rules

12.6.1 These Rules may only be altered by special resolution of a general meeting of the Association.

Note

An alteration of these Rules does not take effect unless or until it is approved by the Registrar.

Membership Update

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Continuing corporate members	
1. AGL New Energy	15. Lex Enviro Service
2. ANZRP	16. Lithium Australia
3. Australia Post	17. Infoactiv Australia
4. Canon Australia Pty Ltd	18. MRI (Aust) Pty Ltd
5. Century Yuasa Batteries (BatteryWorld)	19. Neometals
6. Close the Loop Ltd	20. Ocean Batteries Australia (?)
7. Club Assist Pty Ltd	21. Resource
8. CMA EcoCycle (Recycal)	22. R&J Batteries
9. Dodd & Dodd	23. Powercell
10. Enirgi (Ramcar)	24. Samsung
11. EnviroStream (PF Metals)	25. Sims Recycling Solutions
12. Hyrdomet	26. Supercharge Batteries (Ramcar)
13. GNB Industrial Power	27. TES-AMM Australia Pty Ltd
14. Gold Coast Resource Recovery	28. Watts Batteries
	29. Solax Power Australia

Affiliate members	
1. AMTA	6. NSW EPA
2. CSIRO	7. Planet Ark
3. QLD Dept. Environment & Science	8. Smart Energy Council
4. ISF	9. Sustainability Victoria
5. MacIntype Design Pty Ltd	10. Zero Waste SA

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2019 Workplan

- Review member categories, rules, and fee structure, government in particular
- Identify different streams and value proposition for each & tailored ABRI packets
  - E-waste | Fleets | Forklifts | Retailers | Recyclers | Research groups | Govt | Energy storage | EV | Power tools | Consumer groups | Appliances e.g. Choice
- Promote 2019 Events such as this in a monthly member update

Recent Activity

- ABOUT US Presentation and email to new members
- Energy Storage Brochure – distribution at AES

Your input - Upcoming opportunities/ linkages?

- Member Bulletins

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Other Business

ABRI AUSTRALIAN BATTERY RECYCLING INITIATIVE

Calendar review and next meeting

- Timing?

Meeting	Date	Time	Location	Venue	Topics
Exco	Aug 13th	11:30 – 2:30	Melbourne	CEC?	
General Meeting	Sept 3rd	11:30 – 2:30	Melbourne		
FESTIVAL OF IDEAS	Oct 29th	11:30 – 2:30	Sydney	Same	
Exco	Nov 12th	11:30 – 2:30	Sydney		
General Meeting	Dec 3rd	11:30 – 2:30	Melbourne		

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