

Notes from the Board

Since we last met, the two agreements setting out how government and industry will work together and jointly fund the Program until 2023 were signed and finalised.

We reviewed the Program's strategic plans to control and contain the disease until June 2021. This involved looking in detail at the operational plans, budgets, staffing levels, and strategic plans including surveillance and communications.

In the meeting, we all agreed the Program is operating efficiently and has the right plans in place to keep the banana industry viable by:

- detecting the disease early
- containing Panama TR4 on infested properties
- keeping growers and stakeholders updated
- promoting the message that 'biosecurity is everyone's responsibility'
- making the legislation work for both government and industry.

Key outcomes

The Board approved the 2020/21:

- budget and operational plan
- surveillance strategy
- staffing levels
- communication and engagement strategy
- response strategy
- Board delegation.

**Operational
plans
approved
for 2020/21**

**Cost-
effective
budget
approved**

**Next
meeting
October
2020**

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