



# ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL CLUBS

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## **FIFA responds to AAFC**

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Australian Association of Football Clubs Limited (AAFC) has discussed the reason for its formation and its principal concerns with FIFA and the Asian Football Confederation (AFC).

In a telephone conversation with FIFA in Zurich on Tuesday evening AEST, AAFC's Mr Tom Kalas & North Queensland Fury Chairman Mr Rabieh Krayem (an AAFC member), were informed by FIFA that all recent developments in the governance of Australian football were being closely monitored by FIFA.

Mr Kalas & Mr Krayem, briefed FIFA about the intention of the NPL clubs to pursue direct representation at the forthcoming FFA General Congress and permanent board representation within FFA. AAFC also outlined the range of challenges faced by NPL clubs throughout Australia which underpinned their efforts to seek to have them addressed through direct representation.

FIFA stressed that the future governance model should be anchored in a general consensus between all football stakeholders, of which NPL Clubs are part.

AAFC looks forward to its inaugural meeting of its member NPL clubs in Melbourne on 20 March with renewed encouragement following its positive and encouraging talks with FIFA and AFC.

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