

Minutes of Meeting of the Authority – 8 August 2024 held via Hybrid

Table 1: Authority Members Present:

Name	Detail	Initials
Gerry Kearney	Chairperson	GK
Mari Daly	Member of the Authority	MD
Geraldine Smith	Member of the Authority	GS
Cathy Holahan	Member of the Authority	CH
Nicola Keogh	Member of the Authority	NK
Lorraine Lally	Member of the Authority	LL
Darren Lehane	Member of the Authority	DL
Máire McMahon	Member of the Authority	MM
John O'Donnell	Member of the Authority	JOD
Michael O'Sullivan	Member of the Authority	MOS
Tony Ward	Member of the Authority	TW

Apologies: Ercus Stewart and Stephen Keogh

Table 2: Executive in Attendance:

Name	Detail	Initials
Madeleine Delaney	Chief Executive Officer	MPD
Alan Fitzgerald	Legal Advisor	AF
Deirdre Stacey	Case Officer/Secretary	DS

Apologies: Meagan Gill (Head of Registration), Malachy Cardiff

1.0 Quorum

- It was noted that a quorum was present and the meeting was duly convened.

2.0 Apologies

- Apologies from Ercus Stewart and Stephen Keogh were noted.
- It was noted TW would join the meeting soon after 8am.

3.0 Conflicts of Interest

- CH declared a conflict of interest pertaining to Item 5.4 and agreed to remove herself from the meeting for this discussion.

4.0 Minutes of last meeting and matters arising

- None.

5.0 Decisions by the Authority

5.1 Decision to refuse an application to be entered in the Register of Charitable Organisations from [REDACTED]

- Members reviewed and discussed the recommendation to refuse an application to be entered in the Register of Charitable Organisations from [REDACTED] under section 39 of the Charities Act 2009.
- The Board agreed to refuse an application to be entered in the Register of Charitable Organisations made under section 39 of the Charities Act 2009 pertaining to [REDACTED] for the reasons in the Notice of Intention to Recommend Refusal of an Application under Section 39 of the Charities Act 2009 dated 9 May 2024.

5.2 Decision to refuse an application to be entered in the Register of Charitable Organisations from [REDACTED]

- Members reviewed and discussed the recommendation to refuse an application to be entered in the Register of Charitable Organisations from [REDACTED] under section 39 of the Charities Act 2009.
- The Board agreed to refuse an application to be entered in the Register of Charitable Organisations made under section 39 of the Charities Act 2009 pertaining

to [REDACTED] for the reasons in the Notice of Intention to Recommend Refusal of an application under section 29 of the Charities Act 2009 dated 22 May 2024.

5.3 Decision to refuse an application to be entered in the Register of Charitable Organisations from [REDACTED]

- Members reviewed and discussed the recommendation to refuse an application to be entered in the Register of Charitable Organisations from [REDACTED] under section 39 of the Charities Act 2009.
- The Board agreed to refuse an application to be entered in the Register of Charitable Organisations made under section 39 of the Charities Act 2009 pertaining to [REDACTED] for the reasons in the Notice of Intention to Recommend Refusal of an application under section 29 of the Charities Act 2009 dated 29 May 2024.
- Members considered that additional guidance should be made available to applicants regarding common reasons why applications are refused as this may be of benefit. This was noted by the Executive in attendance.
- Members agreed there would be benefit in providing the Board with a chronology of events for each application brought for their consideration. This was noted by the Executive in attendance.
- Members noted that terminology and acronyms must be consistent in documentation.

5.4 Decision to refuse an application to be entered in the Register of Charitable Organisations from [REDACTED]

CH removed herself from the meeting for this item due to aforementioned conflict of interest.

- Members reviewed and discussed the recommendation to refuse an application to be entered in the Register of Charitable Organisations from [REDACTED] under section 39 of the Charities Act 2009.
- The Board agreed to refuse an application to be entered in the Register of Charitable Organisations made under section 39 of the Charities Act 2009 pertaining to [REDACTED] for the reasons in the Notice of Intention to Recommend Refusal of an application under section 29 of the Charities Act 2009 dated 3 April 2024.

CH returned to the meeting.

5.5 Decision to refuse an application to be entered in the Register of Charitable Organisations from [REDACTED].

- Members reviewed and discussed the recommendation to refuse an application to be entered in the Register of Charitable Organisations from [REDACTED] under section 39 of the Charities Act 2009.

The Board agreed to refer this item back to the Executive and the Regulatory Committee for further consideration of the public benefit and the basis for recommending refusal on that ground.

6.0 AOB

None

- The Chair thanked all for attending and closed the meeting.