



Minutes of Unscheduled Board Meeting

11 June 2024 held via Zoom at 09.00

Authority Members Present:

Name	Detail	Initials
Gerry Kearney	Chairperson	GK
Lorraine Lally	Member of the Authority	LL
John O'Donnell	Member of the Authority	JOD
Marie Daly	Member of the Authority	MD
Máire McMahon	Member of the Authority	MMCM
Geraldine Smith	Member of the Authority	GS
Stephen Keogh	Member of the Authority	SK
Tony Ward	Member of the Authority	TW
Nicola Keogh	Member of the Authority	NK
Ercus Stewart	Member of the Authority	ES
Michael O'Sullivan	Member of the Authority	MOS
Darren Lehane	Member of the Authority	DL

Apologies: Cathy Holahan

Executive In attendance:

Name	Detail	Initials
Madeleine Delaney	Interim Chief Executive	MD

1.0 Quorum.

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

2.0 Apologies.

The apology from Cathy Holahan was noted.

3.0 Conflict of Interest.

No conflicts of interest were declared.

4.0 Matters Relating to Charities Regulator Raised in Prime Time

The Chairperson thanked members for attending the meeting which had been convened under Standing Order 11 which authorises the holding of unscheduled meetings.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss matters relating to the Charities Regulator raised in an RTE Prime Time programme of 6th June 2024.

The Chairperson advised that he had met with the Chairpersons of the Authority's subcommittees on 7th June for a brief discussion on the matters raised by the broadcast.

The Chairperson outlined the proposed approach to determining the Board's overall response:

- Stage 1: Establish the facts
 - Interim CEO's verbal briefing to the Board today, followed by a report to the Board for consideration and discussion at the Board's scheduled meeting on 20th June
- Stage 2: Determine the Board's response to the totality of issues raised, and report to the Minister
- Stage 3: Address organisational issues arising.

MD briefed the Board on the background to the programme and the issues raised in relation to the Regulator's handling of issues in relation to three named charities.

Members noted the briefing and noted that a report will be provided for the Board's consideration on 20th June.

MD left the meeting at 9.45am

Members met in private session.

Members agreed with the proposed approach to determining the Board's overall response.

The value of commissioning an independent third party to review relevant organisational issues which come to light was also agreed (at Stage 3).

Members discussed the next steps.

5.0 AOB

There being no other business, the Chairperson thanked all for their contribution and closed the meeting

The meeting concluded 10:05am.

Actions arising from Unscheduled Board Meeting, 11 June 2024

No.	Action	Person Responsible	Timeframe
1	Provide report to the Board	MD	20 June 2024

ENDS