

# **Minutes of a Board Meeting of Strategic Investment Board Limited**

Held at 12 noon on Wednesday 18th September 2019 at  
9 Lanyon Place  
Belfast

**Present:** Gerry McGinn (GMcG)(Chair)  
Duncan McCausland (DMcC)  
Danny McSorley (DMcS)  
Brett Hannam (BH)

**In attendance:** Martin Spollen (MS)  
Gregor Hamilton (GH)  
Scott Wilson (SW)

**Apologies:** Marie Therese McGivern (MTM)  
Kathryn Thomson (KT)

*The meeting was preceded by a private meeting of the directors*

## **Declarations of Interest**

1. The previously stated declarations of interest were confirmed.

## **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

2. The minutes of the August 2019 board meeting were approved (subject to rectification of a typographical error).

GMcG noted that Martina Byrne would be attending the October meeting as the new Boardroom Apprentice. He explained that he would be meeting Conor Taggart to discuss his experience over the last year.

### **Other Business**

3. GMcG explained that there were a number of matters, including dates for future meetings, which he had hoped to raise under AOB, but given constraints of time (following earlier meetings and an unscheduled fire practice) these would be dealt with by e-mail.

### **Chairman's and Directors' Business**

4. GMcG noted that he expected the position on reappointment of non-executive directors to be resolved shortly.

### **Report from Audit Committee**

5. DMcC reported on proceedings of the Audit Committee.

He explained that the committee had reviewed the risk register.

The committee had also received an update on the Report to Those Charged with Governance and the External Audit. DMcC explained that the accounts still could not be signed off as how to account for Financial Transactions Capital remained to be determined.

The committee had noted that the internal audit of Purchasers and Creditors was satisfactory.

The committee had received an update on Additional Responsibility Allowances.

DMcC explained that the audit committee had also noted two attempts at "phishing", which was becoming more prevalent and sophisticated.

### **Chief Executive's Report**

8. BH explained that a judicial review had been brought against Armagh, Banbridge and Craigavon Council in connection with the Southern Regional College project, and that this could impact upon the programme's schedule.

9. BH explained the position on the NI Public Sector Shared Network Project.

### **ISNI/DARE Report**

12. MS updated the board on the activities of the ISNI team. He noted that they were inputting to a draft NIAO Report on the delivery of major capital projects.

13. MS explained that the team continued to be very busy with strategic planning systems work, with projects underway. He noted in particular that the Courts Transformation work was coming to an end and a new project was underway with DoH.

### **AMU Report**

14. GMcG noted that this was SW's last board meeting before leaving to take up a new position. The Board expressed its gratitude for the contribution SW had made to SIB during his long service and wished him well for the future.

15. SW noted certain matters of interest in the AMU Report, specifically:

- Work on the "Cost of Control" Analysis was progressing,.
- Work was progressing with the LPS Government Land and Property Register.
- AMU continued to advise Translink on Weavers Cross.
- Work was ongoing with a DoF Investment Team to prepare business cases for office estate rationalisation projects.
- SW was to meet the DoF Permanent Secretary to discuss use of FTC.

### **Finance Report**

17. The content of the Finance Report was noted.

