



An Chomhairle Pinsean The Pensions Council

Minutes

Pensions Council Meeting - part 2

18 January 2024 @ 13:00

Venue: MS Teams and Pensions Authority offices hybrid meeting

Council members in attendance:

Roma Burke (Chair)
Clare Dowling
Olive Gaughan
Brendan Kennedy
Ciara McLoughlin
Munro O'Dwyer
Tim O'Hanrahan
Joanne Roche

Council members apologies:

Deirdre Cummins
Stephen Gillick

Also present:

Aaron Bayle, Department of Social Protection
Christine Lutz (Secretary, note taker)

Quorum: Quorum present – 8 members present (6 required for Quorum)

1. Welcome and introduction – Conflict of interest

The Chair stated that this meeting was a continuation of the 16 January 2024 meeting. She referred to the Pensions Council's Register of Interests and asked the Council members to consider any new potential conflicts of interest or other interests that have not yet been declared and none were declared. All members confirmed there were no relevant changes in circumstances to be reported.

OG made Council members aware that she had received unsolicited external representations in relation to this project work.

6.1 Alternative AE proposal

The Council members continued to step through their draft report on the Alternative AE proposal and discuss all aspects of the draft response.

It was decided that Council members would scrutinise the draft report further and provide comments during the week commencing 22 January 2024. The Chair stated that the next steps would be to draft the executive summary, the letter to the Minister and then circulate the full draft report to all.

6.4 SFT Consultation Response

The Council discussed the draft response further and agreed that it could be approved by email in the following days.

8. Next meeting

The next Council meeting is scheduled to be held virtually via MS Teams on Wednesday, 12 February 2024.

Action Items:

| No. | Action Details | Person responsible | Date to be completed: |
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| 1 | All members to review the draft report on the AE Alternative proposal an input as discussed. | All | End of week 22 January 2024. |