



AN TÚDARÁS PÓILÍNEACHTA  
POLICING AUTHORITY

## Minutes of Meeting of the Policing Authority

**Date:** 7 July 2023

**Venue:** By Zoom

### Authority Meeting in Private

#### Attendance

**Authority:** Bob Collins (Chairperson), Deborah Donnelly, Elaine Byrne, Anthony Harbinson, Moling Ryan, Donal de Buitléir.

**Staff of the Authority:** Aoife Clabby (Secretary)

**Apologies:** Paul Mageean, Valerie Judge

#### 1. Meeting of Members in Private

The Authority did not exercise its option to have a meeting in private.

#### 2. Chairperson's Opening Remarks

The meeting agenda was approved as drafted. No conflicts of interest were declared by the Members in relation to any of the items for consideration.

#### 3. Contract of the Chief Executive Officer

The Chairperson provided Members with an overview of the process that had commenced in January 2020 to renew the contract of the Chief Executive Officer, to take effect on 15 January 2021 and the series of engagements and communications that he had with the Department of Justice (DoJ), who upon agreement with the Department of Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform (DPENDR), have responsibility for agreeing the Chief Executive Officer's terms and conditions and the issuing of a contract of employment. The Chairperson advised that the contract had now been finalised between DoJ and DPENDR and that the Chief Executive was satisfied to accept the contract on the basis of the terms offered.

Members noted the protracted nature of the engagements with DoJ and DPENDR and, while appreciating the efforts of officials in the DoJ, expressed the view that the delay that this had caused to the provision of an offer of contract to the Chief Executive had been both disappointing and difficult to comprehend.

Following discussion, the Authority was satisfied to authorise the Chairperson to offer renewal of contract to the Chief Executive Officer from the date specified for a period of five years, or until the establishment of the Policing and Community Safety Authority, whichever is sooner. The Authority was further satisfied to authorise the Chairperson to execute the contract on behalf of the Authority, to be witnessed by the Secretary.

<b>No.</b>	<b>Action point</b>	<b>By Date</b>	<b>By Whom</b>
<b>A_123_01</b>	Execute the contract of the Chief Executive of the Authority.	Immediate	Chairperson