

Summary of Board meeting - 16 July 2024

The Board met virtually, and welcomed Louise Warde Hunter, incoming CEO, as an observer to the Board meeting.

The Board welcomed the positive feedback from a number of Commissioner engagements including the Legacy Working Group of the Irish Council of Churches and the UN Commissioners office in Geneva. The Board also noted the Commissioner's attendance at the Day of Reflection.

The Board received verbal updates on the Audit and Risk Committee (ARC) and recent announcements about legacy by the newly formed UK Government. The Board were also updated of the progress on the domestic litigation.

The Board reviewed the latest iteration of the performance dashboard which provided a richer, fuller picture of performance across the Commission. There was discission about how requests are progressing through the Case Support stage and the Board were assured by the Commissioner for Investigations that all cases were being progressed according to the agreed process.

The Board were briefed on the investigations team workforce strategy which included a focus on ensuring sufficient numbers to meet demand, building a diverse and experienced team, training and assimilating people from different organisations into the Commission's culture, and embedding a flexible approach to resourcing. Recruitment exercises were receiving a lot of interest and further open competitions would need to be planned for later this year and early next year. A constant lens must be held up on the backgrounds and diversity of the workforce.

The Board approved the Accounting Policies Note.