

Summary of Board meeting – 06 June 2024

The Board met in June in Belfast. They welcomed the news of positive engagements with key stakeholders in [Strasbourg](#), including the Director General of Human Rights and Rule of Law. They noted the informative event hosted by Ulster University that had given the Chief Commissioner the opportunity to engage directly with victims and survivors of the Troubles/Conflict. The Board noted the forthcoming legal case in the Court of Appeal and that the Commission had sought to assist the Court by providing its latest public documents about operating practices and procedures.

The Board received a report of the meeting of the Investigative Oversight Committee (IOC) and were briefed on the recent meeting of the External Assurance Group (EAG). The Board discussed recruitment, onboarding of staff and how declarations of interest are managed to give all confidence in the independence of the Commission's investigations. The Board welcomed the positive early engagement from potential requesting individuals, following the commencement of operations on 1 May.

The Board discussed the latest iteration of the performance dashboard, including in relation to workforce diversity data, and recognising that the dashboard would continue to evolve over time supported by a richer feed of data as the Commission matures.

The Board agreed the structure of the risk register and the proposed method for assessing level of risk. Board members discussed the respective responsibilities of the Board, ARC and the Executive Team in managing risk, reflecting on the importance of clarity of ownership.

An update was provided on the planning for outstanding set up work. The Board agreed the proposed milestones and approach to the remaining work and were assured that relevant programme risks would be transferred to the corporate risk register.

The Board approved the high-level objectives for year one of the Commission's outreach strategy, with a clear focus on building trust and credibility. A more detailed plan for delivery of the strategic objectives would be presented at the September meeting.