

## Land Development Agency

### Board Meeting of 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021

#### Minutes of Meeting

<b>Date</b>	7 <sup>th</sup> September 2021
<b>Venue</b>	Video conference call – Covid 19 restrictions remaining in place
<b>Time</b>	10am
<b>Chair</b>	Michael Stone
<b>Other Board Members</b>	John Coleman (CEO), Michelle Norris, Conn Murray*, John O'Connor, Caroline Timmons, Frank Curran, Clare Costello
<b>Apologies</b>	
<b>Attendees</b>	Omar Bhamjee* (Head of Finance), Phelim O'Neill* (Head of Property), Dearbhla Lawson (LDA)*, [REDACTED]
<b>Minute Taker</b>	[REDACTED] (Arthur Cox)
<b>*</b>	For part of meeting

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No	Item
<b>1.</b>	<b>Board Preliminaries</b>
	<b>Agenda – For Noting</b> The Board noted the agenda provided for the meeting.
<b>1.1</b>	<b>Noting of Meeting Chair – For Noting</b> It was noted that Michael Stone would chair the meeting.
<b>1.2</b>	<b>Notice of Meeting and Quorum – For Noting</b> The Chair noted that the meeting was quorate.
<b>1.3</b>	<b>Declarations of Conflict / Interest – For Noting</b> The Board were provided an opportunity to declare any conflicts of interest in respect of the agenda items.  An ongoing conflict disclosure in relation to John O'Connor regarding sites in the current ownership of the Housing Agency was noted.
<b>1.4</b>	<b>Draft minutes of Board meeting of 26 July 2021 – For Approval</b> The draft minutes of the July Board meeting were approved.
<b>1.5</b>	<b>Board Action Tracker – For Discussion</b> The Board asked that completed items should be removed from the Tracker presented in the Board pack.
<b>2.</b>	<b>External Guest Speaker</b>
<b>2.1</b>	<b>External Guest Speaker – For Discussion</b> [REDACTED] delivered a presentation to the Board in relation to key issues arising in the planning system and the impact those issues may have on housing delivery.

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	The directors asked several questions at the conclusion of the presentation.  [REDACTED] and Dearbhla Lawson left the meeting at 10:45am]	
<b>3.</b>	<b>CEO Update</b>	
<b>2.1</b>	<b>CEO Summary Report – For Discussion</b> The CEO summary report was taken as read by the meeting.  The CEO informed the Board that the “Housing for All” and “Project Tosaigh” policies have expanded and accelerated the LDA’s mandate. The Chair noted that Project Tosaigh (previously referred to as “Expressions of Interest”) will require oversight and comprehensive legal advice before any projects are considered. The Board agreed and asked for a proposal to be introduced at the next Board meeting. [MA107092021]  [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. [REDACTED]	Section 37 Personal Information
	The CEO noted that LDA staff will begin to transition back into the office in the coming weeks, in line with public health advice. The Board suggested that the next meeting could be held in the LDA office. [MA307092021]	Section 36 Commercially Sensitive Information
<b>4.</b>	<b>Property</b>	
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Property Report – For Discussion</b> The Head of Property delivered an update on the status of the LDA’s primary portfolio, near term opportunities and strategic sites to the Board. The Head of Property informed the Board that planning permission had recently been refused for Devoy Barracks [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]  [REDACTED]	Section 36 Commercially Sensitive Information Section 40 Financial and Economic Interest of the State
	The Chair stated that the Investment Committee should review the Project Tosaigh proposal and revert to the Board with its recommendation at the next Board meeting. [MA407092021]  [The Head of Property left the meeting at 12:00pm]	
<b>5.</b>	<b>Transitional Arrangements &amp; Group Structure</b>	
<b>5.1</b>	<b>Transitional Arrangements &amp; Group Structure – For Discussion</b> [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]  [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]	Section 29 Deliberations of Public Bodies Section 36 Commercially Sensitive Information

	It was noted that the LDA should not delay in incorporating the main company which would act as the parent entity for the group ("LDA DAC"). After further discussion, the Board resolved that the Minister should be asked to commence the relevant sections of the LDA Act 2021 which would enable LDA DAC to be incorporated. [MA607092021]
	<b>DECISION</b>
	The CEO be and is hereby authorised to request that the Minister commences the relevant sections of the LDA Act 2021 which would enable LDA DAC to be incorporated.
<b>6.</b>	<b>Finance</b>
<b>6.1</b>	<b>Finance Update</b> The Head of Finance informed that Board that th [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
<b>6.2</b>	<b>Procurement Update</b> [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]  The Board requested that the procurement report should capture the role of each firm engaged by the LDA on each project. [MA807092021]  [The Head of Finance left the meeting at 12:45pm]
<b>7.</b>	<b>Sub-Committee Reports</b>
<b>7.1</b>	<b>Audit &amp; Risk Committee Report – For Information</b> The Chair of the Audit & Risk Committee delivered a verbal update to the Board.
<b>7.2</b>	<b>Investment Committee Report – For Information</b> The Chair of the Investment Committee delivered a verbal update to the Board and noted that the Investment Committee would review the LDA's approach to the revised planning application for Devoy Barracks and revert to the Board. [MA907092021]
<b>8.</b>	<b>LDA Employment Contracts</b>
<b>8.1</b>	<b>LDA Employment Contracts</b> [REDACTED]
	<b>DECISION</b>
	[REDACTED]
<b>9.</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b>
<b>9.1</b>	<b>AOB</b>

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	<p>The Board approved the proposed appointments to the Remuneration &amp; Nominations Sub-Committee and the Strategic Planning &amp; Sustainability Sub-Committee, including the new committee chairs.</p> <p>The Chair reminded Board members to complete the 2021 Board self-assessment questionnaire.</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DECISION</b></p> <p>The proposed appointments to the Remuneration &amp; Nominations Sub-Committee and the Strategic Planning &amp; Sustainability Sub-Committee, including the new committee chairs, be and are hereby approved.</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p>
<p><b>10.</b></p>	<p><b>Date of next Board meeting</b> The date of the next board meeting is 19<sup>th</sup> October 2021.</p>

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