

Executive Team – minutes

4 November 2021

Details of attendees are provided at the end of these minutes.

1. Introductions and apologies

Apologies were received from Elizabeth Denham, Claudia Berg and Jen Green.

2. Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting had been approved by email.

4. Comms Directorate Operating Model

Discussion

Angela Balakrishnan presented a report setting out the future operating model for the Communications Directorate, a business case for which had been approved by Resources Board and SLT.

ET particularly discussed: key audiences and stakeholders; explaining the operating model to staff (and embedding the new working practices); key areas of focus under the new operating model; the benefits of embedding consideration of communications issues throughout the development of our work; and the timing of the recruitment to the agreed new roles in the structure.

Decision

ET noted and supported the new operating model.

5. Developing our regulatory powers for the future

Discussion

James Dipple-Johnstone presented a report setting out a proposed approach to developing the ICO's regulatory powers for the future.

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6. The General Teaching Council for Scotland v The Chief Constable of the Police Service of Scotland (legally privileged)

Discussion

Kate Range attended the meeting to give a legally privileged oral update regarding the case. She confirmed that a lessons learned exercise was currently ongoing.

7. Executive Team work programme

Discussion

Chris Braithwaite presented a report setting out the work programme for future Executive Team meetings.

8. Any other business

End of Commissioner's Term

Paul Arnold noted that this was the final formal meeting of the Executive Team under Elizabeth Denham's term as Information Commissioner. Paul added his thanks, and that of the Executive Team, to those recently offered by the ICO's Management Board to Elizabeth for her leadership and guidance during an extraordinary 5.5 years for the ICO and the UK. Elizabeth leaves the ICO a stronger, more relevant and purposeful

regulator well placed to take on our future challenges and opportunities and we wish her every success and happiness for the future.

Attendance

Members

Paul Arnold (Chair), Stephen Bonner, James Dipple-Johnstone, Jen Green, Steve Wood

Attendees

Peter Hayes, Angela Balakrishnan, Emily Keaney (item 5), Kate Range (item 6)

Secretariat

Chris Braithwaite