

Executive Team – minutes

2 September 2021

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

1. Introductions and apologies

Apologies were received from James Dipple-Johnstone.

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. All actions were completed.

4. Journalism Code of Practice

Discussion

Chris Taylor and Liz Archer attended the meeting to present a report setting out the current position on the Journalism Code of Practice, in preparation for consultation on the draft Code.

ET discussed: the timing and launch of the consultation; the legal opinion received on the draft Code; the comments received to date from representatives from media organisations; and potential comments expected once the consultation goes live.

Actions

Steve Wood, Chris Taylor and Liz Archer to provide Liz Denham with the legal opinion and comments received from media representatives on the Code. (Due date: 9/9/21)

Steve Wood to schedule a further meeting to discuss the timing of the consultation launch for the Journalism Code and the communications strategy for the launch. (Due date: 9/9/21)

5. Overall corporate governance structure

Paul Arnold presented a report setting out the current corporate governance structure of the ICO. This report would be considered by the Audit Committee in October. ET noted the report.

6. Management Board agenda

Paul Arnold presented a report setting out the draft agenda for the next Management Board meeting. ET noted the report.

7. Doorstep Dispensaree

Discussion

Claudia Berg provided an update on the judgment in this case. ET discussed the lessons learned from the judgment and how to share these around the organisations, the apparent legislative gap in relation to Article 24 in this case, and the NOI process. ET also noted the need to share lessons learned from the BA and Marriott cases.

Actions

Claudia Berg to ensure lessons learned from the Doorstep Dispensaree and other cases are shared across the organisation, as appropriate. (Due date: 7/10/21)

8. Executive Team work programme

Paul Arnold presented a report setting out the current Executive Team work programme. ET noted the report.

9. Any other business

ET thanked Stephen Bonner for his appearance on the Today programme to discuss the AADC.

Attendance

Members

Paul Arnold (Chair), Claudia Berg, Stephen Bonner, Elizabeth Denham, Jen Green, Steve Wood

Attendees

Peter Hayes, Angela Balakrishnan, Chris Taylor (for item 4), Liz Archer (for item 4)

Secretariat

Chris Braithwaite