

Dearbhú Cáilíochta agus Cáilíochtaí Éireann

Quality and Qualifications Ireland

APPROVALS AND REVIEWS COMMITTEE

Note of the twenty third meeting of the QQI Approvals and Reviews Committee, held in the **Ground Floor Meeting Room, 26-27 Denzille Lane, Dublin 2** on **Thursday 5 December 2019 at 11:00 am**

Present:

Professor Kevin Ryan (Chair)
Ms Marie Kehoe-O'Sullivan
Ms Geraldine Larkin via Skype call
Dr Martin Lyes
Ms Colette Harrison
Professor Irene Sheridan
Ms Mary Sheridan

In attendance:

Ms Gráinne Power, Secretary
Mr Walter Balfe

Apologies

Dr Ailsa Crum
Mr Kevin McStravock

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Committee approved the agenda for the meeting and confirmed that there were no conflicts of interest in relation to any of the items of business before the Committee.

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Committee approved the Minutes of the ARC meetings held on 20 June and 3 September 2019.

3. NOTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Committee approved the Notes of the ARC meetings held on 20 June and 3 September 2019.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

5. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROCEDURES

Walter Balfe joined the meeting to present this item

5.1 Approval of Draft Quality Assurance Procedures: Sport Ireland

The Committee noted the recommendation of the QQI executive (A23/5.1) based on the recommendation of the Quality and Capacity Evaluation Panel report (A23/5.2). Following discussion, the ARC accepted the recommendation of the QQI Executive to

accept the findings of the panel report and therefore the Committee approved the draft Quality Assurance procedures of Sport Ireland. Sport Ireland is approved to progress to Stage 2 of the access to initial programme validation process.

6. REFLECTIONS ON THE ROLE OF THE APPROVALS AND REVIEWS COMMITTEE

As this was the last meeting for the Chair, Professor Ryan and Dr Lyes the Committee reflected on aspects of the Approvals and Reviews Committee's role. Following discussion, it was agreed the Chair would forward those reflections to the CEO of QQI for consideration.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The CEO joined the meeting to thank Professor Ryan and Dr Lyes for their contribution and dedication to the work the Committee since their appointment and wished them well in the future.