Road Safety Authority

Board Meeting Minutes & Action Tracker Thursday 31 March 2022

Present	In Attendance	
Ms Liz O'Donnell, Chairperson	Mr Sam Waide, Chief Executive Officer	
Mr Dimitris Karagiorgis	Ms Kim Colhoun, Acting Director of Finance &	
	Commercial Services & Board Secretary	
Ms Sarah Johnson	Ms Laura Byrne, Admin Support	
Mr Kevin Goulding	Assistant Commissioner Paula Hilman An Garda	
	Siochana	
Ms Ashling Cunningham	Apologies	
Mr John Cronin	Mr Derek Cawley	
	Ms Donna Price	
	Ms Gillian Treacy	

Board Minutes

1	Apologies and Introductions		
	Ms Liz O'Donnell, Chairperson welcomed the members to the meeting and noted the apology.		
2	Meeting in the Absence of the Executive		
	The members did not have a meeting in the absence of the executive.		
3	Conflict of Interest Declaration		
	No conflict-of-interest matter was declared by the members present.		
4	Minutes of RSA Board Meeting, Decision Record and Action Tracker of the 31 March 2022		

Agreed to award the contract for scheduling, coordination, and delivery of road safety education events for 3 years after reviewing three possible options. 5 Chairperson's Report Meeting with Minister regarding eScooters and concerns and recommendations raised by RSA on age limits discussed. Discussions are ongoing. 6 Chief Executive Officer's Report Mr Sam Waide, CEO brought the members through the following in his report: Road Safety Update Mr Waide brought the members through the latest road safety outcomes in terms of fatality and serious injury statistics and long-term trends as well as the relevant key road safety metrics in driver testing, vehicle roadworthiness, enforcement and education/awareness campaigns. Fatalities has been recategorized since the board papers were issued with an increase from 41 to 45 YTD. Meetings have been held with AGS on this continuing trend and Ms O'Donnell has written to the Commissioner requesting a meeting. Higher demand across NDLS due to licence extensions and leading to higher query volumes. The members were also taken through the road safety key campaigns. Public Affairs & Policy Mr Waide gave an overview of the Road Traffic and Roads Bill amendments including power to vary speed, age restrictions for PPTs, driving licence eligibility requirements and testing for drugs and alcohol. RSA appeared before the Joint Oireachtas Committee to discuss the Road Safety Strategy and 30km speed raised lack of funding for Road Safety Strategy which Mr Waide flagged at Joint Oireachtas. Formal letter has been received from Department of

each year will be looked in isolation.	would not be available for 2022 but		
cach year will be looked in Isolation.			
Ms O'Donnell suggested a letter should be sent to both Ministers highlighting the concern that no budget has been approved. Funding issue will be raised at the Road Safety Transformation Programme Board meeting on April 14, 2022, and also at the Ministerial meeting on May 11.			
Ms O'Donnell feels a need for a new launce public engagement and to get message to will need the funding in place before this care	public that we are in a 10-year plan but		
ongoing. asked what option summary of the options including EU gives Minister Ryan would need to put in place le RSA to give recognition, including where ti Waide confirmed there will not be an exchafor information from Argentina.	egislation and/or regulations instructing me limitations would be applied. Mr		
Mr Waide outlined ongoing discussions wit testing capacity requirements.	th Department of Transport on driving		
Risk Report March 2022			
Ms Colhoun brought the members through included a summary of the risks at present Corporate Risk Register. Ms Colhoun outli reporting aspect will be presented by used for Board Meetings.	as well as an outline of the Authority's ned that the dashboard is now live and		
The members noted the CEO and Risk Re	ports.		
Approval for award of contract for Crea	•		
Ms Colhoun gave a summary of the contra	ct which expires in March 2022.		

	Board agreed to approve the contract.		
8	s expected Ms O'Donnell will be receiving a letter from Minister Ryan on the SA's submission of recommendations on eScooters. Ms Donnell stated that she I review and reply to the letter once it has been received.		
	Mr Rowland brought the members through the presentation.		
	queried the numbers of younger people involved in collisions and Mr Rowland stated that all incidents might not be reported. Statistics to be reviewed and reported to compare like to like.		
	Ms O'Donnell highlighted a need for age restriction. Rational from Department advice from Attorney General that law on age restriction is unenforceable.		
	Ms O'Donnell wants to send more detail to the Joint Oireachtas Committee so a more detailed debate can take place.		
	said a broader research view might be needed. Mr Rowland suggested a public survey could be issued to the public asking about their use once legislated and questions on the age criteria.		
9	Organisation Redesign		
40	Item to be discussed at the April 28, 2022, meeting		
10	Road Safety Strategy		
	Item to be discussed at the April 28, 2022, meeting with Denise Barry to attend and provide update on Data Enabler Group.		
11	Presentation by Assistant Commissioner Paula Hilman		
	Assistant Commissioner Hilman gave an overview AGS and partnership progress & opportunities including data sharing, regular interaction between AGS and RSA.		

12	Items for Further Discussion and Any Other Business	
	The Chairperson thanked Pearse White for all his work over the years	
13	Date of Next Board Meeting	
	The next Board meeting will be on Thursday 28th April 2022	

Signed:		
J	Chairperson	
Date:		