

Tourism Recovery Taskforce

Minutes of Meeting

Video Conference

12th August, 2020
10.00am

Attendees:

Ruth Andrews - Chair	Stephen Kavanagh
Eoghan Corry	Eimear Killian
Martin Dalby	John McLaughlin
Tom Enright	Pat O'Leary
Elaina Fitzgerald Kane	Niall Gibbons

Apologies:

John Kelly
Paul Kelly, Jane Stacey, John Herlihy

Secretariat:

Maria Melia	Lisa Herlihy
Kenneth McMahon	
Ronnie O'Toole, Indecon	

Agenda

1. Minutes & matters arising
2. Work streams
3. Consultants update
4. AoB

Item	Details	Action
1.	<p>Ruth Andrews, Chairperson, opened the meeting and welcomed the group.</p> <p>Minutes were taken as read. Proposer Martin Dalby and seconder Eoghan Corry.</p> <p>Pre reads taken as read.</p> <p>A brief discussion ensued on the proposed new framework document from NPHET on response measures to COVID19 and how that will align with the roadmap for re-opening the economy.</p> <p>The framework will be circulated to the TRT on publication.</p>	<p>Agreed</p> <p>Document to issue once finalised.</p> <p>Noted</p>

<p>2.</p>	<p>Work streams.</p> <p>Eoghan Corry gave a brief update on the <i>International Demand work stream</i>. They have had 3 meetings to date and they are currently working on the interim report and will have it ready for the next TRT meeting.</p> <p>Pat O’Leary gave a brief update on the <i>Culture and Heritage work stream</i>. They have had 7 meetings to date and hope to have the interim report completed for this Friday. This group have found it difficult to put KPI’s and financials to their recommendations</p> <p>Elaina Fitzgerald Kane gave a brief update on the <i>Competitiveness work stream</i>. They have had some technical difficulties with their meetings however will report back after next two meetings.</p> <p>Stephen Kavanagh gave an update on the <i>International Access work stream</i>. Their report is well advanced however as time has passed the crises is compounded and the situation has deteriorated with recovery not now expected until 2023. The final report will be ready for next week.</p> <p>Martin Dalby gave an update on the <i>Domestic Demand work stream</i>. They have had five meetings to date including a work shop to agree on priority recommendations for their report. A SWOT analysis helped them achieve this and they have currently honed down their focus to 10 areas and are fleshing out the details. They are on track for delivering the report on schedule.</p> <p>Eimear Killian gave an update on the <i>Sustainable employment work stream</i>. They have had two meetings to date. The careers oversight groups work completed by Fáilte Ireland is a big help to the group. They are on track for delivering the report on schedule.</p> <p><i>Sustainability work stream</i>. In John Kelly’s absence Maria Melia gave a brief update on the work stream. Need to look at the extent sustainability is built into the final report as a whole. Currently have a draft copy of their report.</p> <p>Ruth Andrews gave a brief update on the <i>Year of the Invitation work stream</i>. They are currently reviewing the</p>	<p>Noted</p>
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	<p>learnings from the gathering and will have a report in advance of the next meeting.</p> <p>All available draft reports to be circulated to members in advance of the next meeting.</p>	
3.	<p>Consultants Update</p> <p>Ronnie O'Toole from Indecon commended the group on the work to date. He advised work stream leads to include any background material in the Annex of their report and to try to distil the information into a one to two page document where at all possible.</p> <p>The Programme for Government and the National Economic Plan to be borne in mind in context of September report to Minister.</p>	Noted
4	<p>AOB</p> <p>Potential overlap between work streams was discussed and how these will be addressed.</p> <p>Details around the proposed workshop on 9th September to be developed further and sent to members.</p> <p>Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 26th August</p>	Noted

