MINUTE OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

20 MARCH 2019

Present: Louis Taylor (Chair) Attending:

Shane Lynch

Gordon Welsh Pat Cauthery

Davinder Mann Arwen Robertson

Samir Parkash

Cameron Fox

Secretary:



1 Review of Minutes, Actions

- 1.1 The minutes for the EC Meeting on 27 February were reviewed and approved.
- 1.2 The actions log was reviewed, and several items closed.

2 Safesend Replacement Presentation

- 2.1 A representative from a company which provides IT services to UKEF briefed the Committee on a data loss prevention system.
- 2.2 The Committee discussed the merits of the new system.
- 2.3 The Committee agreed that the system would be implemented, pending the production of an implementation plan and staff training.

3 Defence Annual Review

- 3.1 Representatives from the Aerospace and Defence team presented a paper in relation to the terms for support of defence exports.
- 3.2 The Committee noted the importance of applying the terms on a case-by-case basis and of introducing a framework to aid consistency in the application of terms.
- 3.3 The Committee cleared the plan to be presented to the UKEF Board.

4 Straight Through Processing Business Case

- 4.1 Representatives from the Operations team presented a paper proposing the business case for the first phase of a project involving automated processing of business.
- 4.2 The Committee discussed the potential benefits that could emerge from the project, including the increased resources and reductions to the risk of errors.
- 4.3 The Committee approved the first phase of the project.

5 Operating Cost Budget 2019/20

- 5.1 The Head of Financial Planning presented a paper proposing a reduction of the operating case budget to address a shortfall.
- 5.2 The Committee discussed the merits of the paper.
- 5.3 The Committee decided that the budget should remain but with contingency plans in place should the need arise.

6 IAAD audit Report 2018/10 - Product Lifecycle Management

[Cancelled and moved to next EC meeting due to change in timetable]

7 ARA Design

- 7.1 The Head of Strategic Communications and Media Relations presented the design proofs for the 2018-19 Annual Report & Accounts (ARA) document.
- 7.2 The Committee noted the samples and provided feedback on the best ways of projecting the image and values of the department.
- 7.3 The Committee endorsed the design.

8 General Update, DIT and HMT

- 8.1 The Chair provided an update from the recent DIT Executive Committee Meeting. The Committee discussed ongoing workstreams within DIT, including EU Exit preparedness.
- 8.2 The Committee discussed the Chair's recent appearance alongside the Minister of State for Trade and Export Promotion before the Environmental Audit

- Committee. The Chair wished to thank the UKEF staff who worked on the briefing pack for him and the Minister.
- 8.3 The Director of Business Group provided an update on the progress of the steering group on International Trade Advisers.

9 A.O.B

- 9.1 The Committee noted the need to discuss dashboards, which had previously been discussed by the Board.
- 9.2 The Chief Risk Officer (CRO) requested the Head of Legal and Compliance that an update be provided on the Financial Crime Compliance (FCC) Project. The Chair concurred with the request.
- 9.3 The CRO asked EC members if they had any comments following the February 27 paper on Operational and Enterprise Risk that was approved by the Committee.
- 9.4 The Director of Legal and Compliance updated the Committee on the successful recruitment of the new Head of Legal Services.

Chief Executive's Office