

NORTHERN IRELAND POLICING BOARD

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF AUDIT AND RISK ASSURANCE COMMITTEE HELD
ON WEDNESDAY 17 FEBRUARY 2021 AT 2.00PM AT THE NORTHERN
IRELAND POLICING BOARD WATERSIDE TOWER, BELFAST AND VIA VIDEO
CONFERENCE FACILITY**

PRESENT:

MEMBERS

Mr Colm McKenna* (Chair)
Mr Edgar Jardine* (Vice-Chair)
Mr Michael Atkinson*
Mrs Joanne Bunting, MLA*
Mr Gerry Kelly, MLA
Mr Frank McManus*

IN ATTENDANCE:

EXTERNAL FACILITATOR:

Steve Mungavin*

OFFICIALS

Mrs Amanda Stewart, Chief Executive*
Ms Jenny Passmore, Director of
Resources
Two Board Officials*

*Attended the meeting via video conference.

1. APOLOGIES

No apologies were received.

The Chair noted that the additional committee meeting had been called so that the Committee could discuss and agree the proposed risk appetite for each of the risks on the Board's Corporate Risk Register ahead of the Board Risk Management Workshop. The Chair thanked Steve Mungavin who had agreed to facilitate the meeting. The Chair noted that the Board owned the risks and risk appetite but the Committee had a role in advising the Board about risk management and risk appetite.

2. NIPB CORPORATE RISK REGISTER AND RISK APPETITE

Mr Mungavin led the Committee in a discussion about identifying categories of risk and the scale of appetite for risk within the Board, and noted the 2020 Her Majesty's Treasury Orange Book "*Management of Risk – Principles and Concepts*" and Risk Appetite Guidance Note.

Members discussed the risks captured on the Corporate Risk Register and the role of a Risk Owner in managing a risk and being accountable. The Committee asked the Chief Executive to identify a risk owner for each risk and update the Corporate Risk Register. **(AP1)** Members noted that further consideration of some risks may be required to ensure that they appropriately reflected the risk to the Board.

Members discussed each risk and agreed that a 3 point scale for risk appetite was preferable. Members agreed a proposed risk appetite for each risk, and it was agreed that the Corporate Risk Register would be updated to reflect the Committee's discussions in advance of the Risk Management Workshop taking place on Thursday 25 February 2021. **(AP2)**.

In closing the Chair thanked Mr Mungavin again for facilitating the meeting.

(Meeting closed at 3.40pm).

CORPORATE SERVICES

Date: February 2021

Chair