

Road Safety Authority

Board Meeting Minutes & Action Tracker

Thursday 28 September 2023

Present	In Attendance
Ms Liz O'Donnell, Chairperson	Mr Sam Waide, Chief Executive Officer
Ms Sarah Johnson	Ms Kim Colhoun, Director of Finance & Corporate Services, Board Secretary
Ms Ashling Cunningham	Ms Alison Coleman, Director of People, Development and Culture,
Ms Donna Price	Mr John McCarthy, Senior Roads Engineering Advisor Dept of Transport
Mr Derek Cawley	Ms Laura Byrne, Executive Office
Ms Gillian Treacy	
Apologies	
Mr John Cronin	

Board Minutes

1	<p>Apologies and Introductions</p> <p>The members were welcomed to the meeting and the apologies were noted.</p>
2	<p>Meeting in the Absence of the Executive</p> <p>The members did not have a meeting in the absence of the executive.</p>
3	<p>Conflict of Interest Declaration</p> <p>No conflict-of-interest matter was declared by the members present.</p>
4	<p>Minutes from Board Meeting, Decision Record & Action Tracker of 28 September 2023</p> <p>Minutes approved by Board members.</p>
5	<p>Chairperson's Report</p> <p>August was the highest month for fatalities.</p> <p>Meetings held with Minister Ryan and Minister Chambers, Garda Commissioner and Minister for Justice. RSA asked for a list of outcomes for quarter 4 to make an immediate impact. Speed limit legislation being fast tracked for approval by end of this year. New</p>



	<p>legislation to be introduced to increase penalty points for multiple offenses. Visual roads policing is the deterrent.</p> <p>Garda Commissioner has included budget to increase GoSafe hours.</p> <p>Minister McEntee and RSA Chairperson to have a follow up discussion on AGS resourcing, budget for targeted roads policing.</p> <p>Escooters discussed as Government will have legislation in place from October.</p> <p>Increase media requests on RSA and Board Members. Media team details to be shared with Board members.</p> <p>RSA Annual Conference on October 04 will be of theme of serious injuries.</p> <p>Remuneration Committee meeting held on July 20 2023 with all attendees present.</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>Chief Executive Officer’s Report</p> <p>Road Safety Update</p> <p>Escooter campaign to launch in early November once legislation is in place. RSA will continue with recommendation to wear helmets when using scooters. Campaigns and research can be used to back up these recommendations.</p> <p>Board queried if legislation can be staggered introduction (private use then rental). RSA can work with local authorities on rental schemes. Rental v private use discussed.</p> <p>RSA campaigns to be shared with Board members.</p> <p>RSA to contact CCMA CEO John McLoughlin to discuss their rollout plans.</p> <p>Research team to provide a summary of updates scooter impact, across Europe.</p> <p>CEO to share information from France High Level Group attendee Florence Guillaume and request attendance to provide update on their scooter journey.</p> <p>Driving test curriculum review is a priority for the Minister. Minister for Education has expressed an interest in working with RSA on education programmes.</p> <p>Attended Joint Oireachtas Committee meetings on September 20 with Applus and on September 27 with AGS and MBRS. Enforcement, campaigns and average speed cameras were discussed. Update on driver tester recruitment provided with prevalent IR issues noted.</p> <p>High level results from blended working survey to be shared at the next board meeting.</p> <p>Template comms to TD request to be reviewed and updated if necessary. 116,000 queries to end of July with 84% satisfaction rate.</p> <p>Risk Report 2023</p>



	<p>Reviewed and approved by Board.</p> <p>Overview of cybersecurity exercise to be held provided to Board.</p> <p>Impact of Indexation in 2023/ 2024 and projected financial outturn and proposal on spending of additional projected surplus agreed with DOT were discussed under CORP.10.</p> <p>CORP.11 on data sharing discussed. November 14 Ministerial and RSTP board meetings will focus on data sharing arrangements. AGS to share data field analysis to RSA by end of September. Board member shared an email regarding PSNI and serious injury collision data. Meeting scheduled with AGS on 16 October 2023 to discuss data sharing arrangements for collision datasets in advance of DEG meeting 24 October. PSNI report to be shared with Board Members and RSTP members. Form CT68 from AGS on crash scene report which is replaced by AGS calling central office for information to be inputted. Board would like to see a cross section of these reports, so Board is aware of the information being received and included. Meeting on 16 October with representative DPOs to discuss sharing and minimisation.</p> <p>RSTP Update Overview from 11th September meeting discussed with Board.</p> <p>Driving for Work Conference scheduled for 22nd November.</p> <p>Media Coverage – Aug to Sept Update circulated to Board Members outlining media coverage during August and September.</p>
<p>7</p>	<p>Procurement for provision of temporary workers and related services</p> <p>Board approved to accept the procurement tender for the provision of temporary workers and related services. This framework will allow for an agency to hire for specific roles.</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>Speed Limit Review</p> <p>John McCarthy presented an update on the speed limit review.</p> <p>The speed review included impact of speed reduction, safety, environment impacts such as emissions v speed and travel time.</p> <p>Discussion on speed ramps and their use and affect on roads.</p> <p>The report has yet to be discussed in the Dail as needs to be debated due to primary legislation. Report requires all stakeholders to have a role in this. Board noted the need for DoT Comms team to ramp up communications of Speed review, as RSA do not have the capacity, given focus on current road usage behaviours.</p>



	<p>Board queried need from DOT to collect new speed and traffic data on rural and urban roads.</p> <p>The aim is to have all recommendations implemented in 2 years.</p> <p>Discussion held around safety cameras.</p> <p>Next steps are a review group to implement changes which should have same attendees. This is to be tabled at the next RSTP meeting in November to establish the implementation committee.</p> <p>Ireland hosting the 2024 Transport Research Arena conference in the RDS with global attendees. Board asked for the dates of this to be shared</p>
<p>9</p>	<p>Items for Further Discussion and Any Other Business</p> <p>Board wishes to acknowledge the additional Media commitments on Liz, Sam and the Media team in recent weeks.</p> <p>Board appointments first stage with informal interviews underway. PAS advertisement was based mainly on finance. Needs of the board was highlighted to DOT which included enforcement, communications and legal. RSA to follow up with DOT.</p> <p>Board to consider 2024 board dates.</p>
	<p>Date of Next Board Meeting</p> <p>Wednesday 25 October 2023 in Dublin, Bow Street Offices</p>

Signed: _____
Chairperson

Date: _____

