

Minutes of the Cross-Departmental Oversight Committee Meeting
(Atypical Workers Permission Scheme (Non-EEA Crew))
21st July 2021

Location: Meeting hosted in the National Seafood Centre, Clonakilty, Co. Cork via video conferencing.

Chair: Mr. Kevin Moriarty (**Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine**)

Attendees: **Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM)** (Deirdre Kelleher, Mark Burns, Victoria Corkery)
Department of Justice and Equality (DJE) (Paddy Duffy, Kevin Kavanagh)
Department of Transport (DT) (Brian Hogan)
Department of Business, Enterprise and Innovation (DBEI) (Tara Coogan)

Apologies:

1. Minutes of previous meeting

- a. The minutes of the Oversight Committee meeting held on the 26th of March 2021, circulated in advance of the meeting, were discussed. The minutes were agreed by all present.
(*These minutes are now available on the DAFM website, as agreed.*)

2. Matters Arising

The Committee noted that a second request had been sent to DSP requesting that a new representative to the Committee a response is still awaited.

3. Mediation Agreement Update

DJE restated to the Committee that it was continuing to honour Commitment 18 of the agreement in full and this would be an ongoing commitment.

4. Review of any submissions received

- a. There was a review of the questions received regarding the Scheme from Maynooth University. The Committee concurred with the responses provided by DJE and DBEI.

5. Current uptake of Scheme

- a. DAFM advised that, as of Tuesday 20th of July 2021, there were 223 live pre - approval applications.
- b. DJE advised that, as of Wednesday 21st of March 2021, there were 237 potentially valid Letters of Approval currently in circulation.

6. Next Meeting

- a. A proposed date within the week commencing 4th October 2021 was agreed for the next meeting of the Oversight Committee. The venue of this meeting will be decided closer to the date, in accordance with the prevailing public health advice.

7. AQB

- a. The implications of the GDPR 2018 for aspects of the Scheme were discussed. Each area has sent observations to the Secretariat regarding Privacy Statements and data sharing agreements.
- b. DT briefed the Committee on SI 332/2020, European Union (ILO work in Fishing Convention) (Fishing Vessel Owner Liability) Regulations 2020, Section 5(1). It was agreed to discuss this matter further at the next meeting.
- c. Committee discussed rating from TIPS report and concluded rating should improve based on submission by DJE and DBEI to US Embassy.
- d. In light of Items (b) & (c) above it was suggested that Committee members prepare updates regarding the Scheme for their respective Departments.
- e. That concluded the business of the meeting.