

# **Appointment to State Bodies under the aegis** of DECC in 2021



| Body  | Member                | Position Type      | Basis of<br>Appointment                        | Term of<br>Appointment     | Biography  |
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| National Oil<br>Reserves<br>Agency<br>(NORA)            | Mr Rossa<br>McCann    | Ordinary<br>Member | PAS Process                                    | 4/01/2021 –<br>3/01/2026   | An engineering/maths graduate Rossa McCann qualified as a chartered accountant with Arthur Andersen (Dublin) and then joined CRH Group HQ finance function in 1987. The positions Rossa held during his 29 year career with CRH included those of Group Treasurer, Head of Group Financial Operations and Head of Group Finance.   |
| Sustainable<br>Energy<br>Authority of<br>Ireland (SEAI) | Mr William Walsh      | CEO                | Ex officio                                     | 27/01/2021 –<br>26/01/2026 | William Walsh is Chief Executive Officer in SEAI, having previously held the position of both Chief Operations Officer and Chief Financial Officer. William joined SEAI in 2013. Prior to joining SEAI he worked for Inland Fisheries Ireland (IFI) where he held a number of roles including Assistant Chief Executive Officer and Director. Prior to that he held senior management positions in the private sector. William is a Chartered Accountant, holds a Bachelor of Business Studies from Dublin City University and a Graduate Diploma in Strategy, Innovation and Change from UCD. |
| Inland<br>Fisheries<br>Ireland (IFI)                    | Mr Patrick<br>Gibbons | Ordinary<br>Member | Nomination of<br>Joint Oireachtas<br>Committee | 16/02/2021 –<br>15/02/2024 | Mr. Patrick Gibbons is a full-time Independent Non-<br>Executive Director. He is a commercial lawyer with<br>experience on the board of several financial service<br>companies and public bodies, including chairing several   |

|  |                 |        |                              |                            | Audit & Risk Committees. Before that, he had 15 years' experience at senior executive level in charge of the compliance and legal functions of a number of leading financial services regulated entities encompassing enterprise risk management, corporate governance and regulation. A member of the IFI Board since 2016, he chaired its Audit & Risk Committee 2020-1   |
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| Environmental<br>Protection<br>Agency (EPA)<br>Advisory<br>Committee | Dr Aoife Foley  | Member | Ministerial (PAS<br>Process) | 18/02/2021 –<br>17/02/2024 | Dr Aoife Foley is a Reader in the School of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering in Queen's University Belfast and Editor in Chief of Elsevier's Renewable & Sustainable Energy Reviews, the leading journal in the world in the field of sustainable energy in Google Scholar. She also sits on the editorial boards of a number of other major journals in energy. Dr Foley has rapidly gained a leading international profile in sustainable energy systems, since joining academia in 2009, initially as a Lecturer in University College Cork, before joining Queen's in 2011. She has successfully accessed highly competitive national, international and industry funding totalling £2.3M. Prior to joining academia, she spent 12 years in senior project management roles in industry working in the energy, telecommunications, and pharmaceuticals sectors. |
| EPA Advisory<br>Committee  | Ms Elaine Nevin | Member | Ministerial (PAS<br>Process) | 18/02/2021 -<br>17/02/2024 | Ms Elaine Nevin is the National Director of ECO-UNESCO, one of Irelands leading organisations in environmental education and education for sustainable development. She holds a BA in Geography and Political Science, an MA, a Higher Diploma in Education and has worked in the field of  |

|                           |                       |        |  |                            | environmental education and education for sustainable development (ESD) in both formal and non-formal settings for over 20 years.   |
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| EPA Advisory<br>Committee | Ms Yvonne<br>Mullooly | Member | Ministerial (PAS<br>Process)                             | 18/02/2021 –<br>17/02/2024 | Ms Yvonne Mullooly is Assistant Chief Executive (Chemicals & Prevention) in the Health & Safety Authority with responsibility for policy provision, advice and enforcement for a wide range of chemical, market surveillance, occupational health and safety legislation aimed at protecting human health, the safety of workers and consumers. Yvonne served as the Irish expert to the European Chemical Agency's Risk Assessment Committee from 2008 to 2019. Prior to joining the Authority in 2007 Yvonne worked in Local Government as a Senior Executive Scientist holding a BSc.(Hons) in Environmental Science from the National University of Ireland, Galway.                          |
| EPA Advisory<br>Committee | Ms Sadbbh<br>O'Neill  | Member | Designated Nominating Body (Irish Environmental Network) | 18/02/2021–<br>17/02/2024  | Ms Sadhbh O'Neill is a PhD candidate at the School of Politics and International Relations at University College Dublin researching climate ethics and carbon trading. She holds an MA in Philosophy and Public Affairs (UCD), and a BA in English literature and Philosophy (TCD). She is currently policy coordinator for the Stop Climate Chaos, a coalition of civil society organisations that advocates for climate action. A former policy advisor to the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Climate Action between 2018 and 2020, she also acted as coordinator and spokesperson for Climate Case Ireland during 2019 which took a successful legal challenge to the National Mitigation Plan. |

|                           |                      |        |  |                           | She has a long history of engagement with environmental campaigns and organisations and is a former Green Party councillor in Dublin city. She has served on the EPA Advisory Committee on Genetically Modified Organisms and is currently a member of the Department of Agriculture's Forestry Working Group.   |
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| EPA Advisory<br>Committee | Prof. John<br>Wenger | Member | Designated Nominating Body (Institute of Chemistry of Ireland) | 18/02/2021-<br>17/02/2024 | John Wenger is Professor of Chemistry at University College Cork (UCC), where he is also director of the Centre for Research into Atmospheric Chemistry (CRAC Lab) and Principal Investigator at the Environmental Research Institute (ERI). He has over 25 years research experience in atmospheric chemistry and air pollution, producing over 100 publications in internationally renowned journals. His main research interests are in the atmospheric degradation of volatile organic compounds and the chemical composition and sources of atmospheric aerosols. He has been involved in a large number of National and European projects involving atmospheric simulation chambers and field measurement campaigns to improve our understanding of atmospheric processes and their links with air pollution and climate. Prof. Wenger is currently an Associate Editor for the journal Atmospheric Environment and the National Contact Person for the pan-European research infrastructure ACTRIS (Aerosol, Clouds and Trace Gases Research Infrastructure). |

| EPA Advisory<br>Committee | Prof. Frances<br>Lucy | Member | Designated Nominating Body  (Environmental Sciences Association of Ireland) | 18/02/2021–<br>17/02/2024 | Professor Frances Lucy is Head of the Department of Environmental Science and Director of CERIS, the Centre for Environmental Research Innovation and Sustainability at the Institute of Technology, Sligo. She is a former chairperson and current council member of the Environmental Sciences Association of Ireland. Her main research interests are in aquatic invasive species, fisheries science, water quality and sustainability. Frances is a Board Member of Inland Fisheries Ireland. She is president of Invasivesnet and is also involved in environmental research nationally and with European partners. |
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| EPA Advisory<br>Committee | Mr Thomas<br>Cooney   | Member | Designated Nominating Body  (Irish Farmers Association)                     | 18/02/2021–<br>17/02/2024 | Thomas Cooney farms with his wife and two children near Stradone in Co. Cavan. He is a dairy and beef farmer and former National Chair of the Irish Farmers' Association Environment Committee. He led the award winning resource efficiency Smart Farming programme from 2016 to 2020. Thomas has also served on the board of recycling body IFFPG from 2017 to 2020 and member of An Forum Uisce 2018 to 2020. Thomas has also participated in a number of European forums including COPA.   |
| EPA Advisory<br>Committee | Dr Brendan<br>Dunford | Member | Designated<br>Nominating Body<br>(Heritage Ireland)                         | 18/02/2021–<br>17/02/2024 | Dr Brendan Dunford is from a farming background in Co. Waterford. Brendan has spent over 20 years living and working in the Burren. In 2001 he completed his doctorate on the impact of farming on the heritage of the Burren, and later led the award-winning BurrenLIFE Project. He currently manages its successor, the 'Burren Programme'  |

|                           |                 |        |  |                           | which works with over 300 farmers on 23,000ha of heritage-rich landscape.  Along with his late wife Ann O'Connor, Brendan cofounded the Burrenbeo Trust which aims to 'connect all of us to our places and our role in caring for them' and coordinates events such as the Burren Winterage School and festival. Brendan is also a founder of the 'Farming for Nature' initiative which aims to acknowledge, celebrate and support farmers across Ireland who work to protect nature.  Brendan has previously served as a board member of the Heritage Council and on the Advisory Board of the EPA. He has participated in committees advising on issues such as Ireland's World Heritage Site Tentative list and Agri Food 2030 Strategy. In 2011 he became an Ashoka Fellow and in 2018 he was awarded an Honorary Doctorate by NUI Galway for his work in championing biodiversity. |
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| EPA Advisory<br>Committee | Ms Elaine Mahon | Member | Designated<br>Nominating Body<br>(The Wheel) | 18/02/2021–<br>17/02/2024 | Ms Elaine Mahon has wide-ranging experience in the Community and Voluntary sector, with particular expertise in Development Education (also known as Global Citizenship education/Education for Sustainable Development). Elaine works part time for IDEA, the Irish Development Education Association, where she manages the Capacity Development Programme supporting members of IDEA to increase their knowledge and understanding of global issues including sustainability,  |

|  | strengthening quality in their educational work and measuring impact. Elaine has led the development of a Code of Good Practice for Development Education, facilitating approximately 40 IDEA members to engage in its creation. Elaine has worked for international institutions including the European Commission and spent two years working in Sudan based at the EU Delegation in Khartoum. Elaine is also a freelance facilitator and trainer. In this field she specialises in areas relating to global justice, equality and interculturalism, youth participation, international volunteering and child safeguarding.  As a practitioner, Elaine has a strong track record of providing training, carrying out consultations/research and creating reports/submissions in collaboration with a variety of organisations in Ireland and internationally including City of Dublin Education and Training board (CDETB), Léargas, National Youth Council of Ireland, and SALTO-Europe. |
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|  | Elaine has a Masters in Management for the Community and Voluntary Sector (DCU, 2014) and a Bachelor's Degree in European Studies (TCD, 2004). Elaine also tries to be environmentally conscious in her everyday life — as a parent of young children this can be a challenge! In practice it means, Elaine cycles to work, is part of an organic vegetable box scheme, and buys sustainable/ethically sourced products (such as toys) as much as possible.  |

| Environmental<br>Protection<br>Agency | Ms Sharon<br>Finegan | Director | Ministerial                    | 9/3/2021 –<br>8/3/2026     | Director of the Office of Environmental Sustainability Sharon Finegan was appointed in April 2021 as a Director of the EPA with responsibility for the Office of Environmental Sustainability. Having worked across central Government, Sharon has a broad range of senior management experience and policy expertise particularly in the areas of environmental policy and climate change. Before joining the EPA, Sharon was the Head of the Climate Action Unit in the Department of the Taoiseach. Prior to this, she was Secretary to the Citizens' Assembly from 2016-2018 and has held a number of roles including Head of Protocol and Head of Economic Policy in the Department of the Taoiseach. Sharon holds a BA from NUI, Galway and an MSc from Trinity College Dublin. |
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| Environmental<br>Protection<br>Agency | Mr Micheál<br>Lehane | Director | Ministerial<br>(Reappointment) | 01/05/2021 –<br>30/04/2026 | Director of the Office of Radiation Protection and Environmental Monitoring  Micheál Lehane was appointed Director with the Environmental Protection Agency in 2016 and is currently the Director for the EPA's Office of Radiation Protection and Environmental Monitoring.  Prior to being appointed Director he served as a Programme Manager with the EPA in various leadership roles and in environmental protection & regulation in the UK. Micheál is also the vice-Chair of the Irish National Accreditation Board.   |

|  |                 |        |                                |                            | Micheál is a graduate of University College Cork with a PhD in Geology, holds an MBA from the University of Limerick and is a Chartered Director.   |
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| National Oil<br>Reserves<br>Agency<br>(NORA)   | Mr Frank Bergin | CEO    | Ex officio                     | 01/06/2021 -<br>31/05/2026 | <ul> <li>Graduated with a Ph. D. in Physics from Galway University in 1985.</li> <li>Joined Shell Research in the UK in 1986 and returned to Ireland to join Irish Shell in 1990.</li> <li>Held a number of Commercial and Operations roles until joining the Board of Irish Shell in 1999.</li> <li>Remained as a Board member when Shell's Downstream business was sold to Topaz Energy Group Limited, until leaving the company in 2014. Held the role of Chief Operations Officer for the company together with the role of Chairman of Shell &amp; Topaz Aviation Ireland Limited.</li> <li>Joined NORA in January 2019 and took up the role of CEO of the Agency in June 2021.</li> </ul> |
| Digital Hub<br>Development<br>Agency<br>(DHDA) | Mr Brian Keogh  | Member | Ministerial<br>(Reappointment) | 3/06/2021 –<br>2/06/2024   | Brian is a Chartered Civil Engineer, a European Engineer and a Fellow of the Institute of Engineers in Ireland. He retired from John Sisk & Son Ltd in 2012 after 40 years' service in the Construction Industry. He served on the  |

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| Safety, Quality & Environmental Management. He served         |
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| joint ventures and has worked-on projects in Ireland,         |
| England, Scotland, Wales, Germany and Poland. Brian was       |
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| Inland<br>Fisheries<br>Ireland (IFI) | Ms Bernadette<br>Orbinski Burke | Ordinary<br>Member | Ministerial<br>(Reappointment) | 01/07/2021 –<br>30/06/2024 | Link to IFI website 'Our Board' page, which contains a brief career outline of Ms Orbinski Burke   |
| An Post                              | Ms Carol Bolger                 | Chairperson        | Ministerial (PAS<br>Process)   | 20/07/2021 –<br>19/07/2026 | Carol Bolger is a Chartered Director, an Assessor with the Institute of Director's Board Evaluation service and a tutor on the Chartered Director Programme. She is Chairperson of An Post, a non-executive Director on the Board of BCMGlobal ASI Ltd and Chairman of Utexam Solutions Ltd, a subsidiary of BNP Paribas. She also Chairs the Audit Committee of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Marine. She has broad banking experience gained in Corporate and Business Banking in Bank of Ireland and Ulster Bank where she held senior roles including Chief Operating Officer and Director of Strategy & Planning. |

|  |                |             |  |                            | Carol is a Certified Bank Director and holds qualifications in Finance and Strategy & Innovation. She is an also an Executive Coach accredited by the European Mentoring and Coaching Council. A Fellow and a former Council Member of the Institute of Banking, she held the position of Vice President in 2005.  |
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| Irish National<br>Petroleum<br>Corporation | Mairead McCabe | Member      | Ministerial<br>(reappointment)<br>(DECC<br>Representative) | 29/07/2021 –<br>28/07/2022 | Biography Awaited  |
| Irish National<br>Petroleum<br>Corporation | Terry Nolan    | Chairperson | Ministerial (non-<br>PAS)                                  | 29/07/2021 –<br>28/07/2022 | Biography Awaited  |
| Irish National<br>Petroleum<br>Corporation | Frank Bergin   | Member      | Ministerial (non-<br>PAS)                                  | 29/07/2021 –<br>28/07/2022 | <ul> <li>Graduated with a Ph. D. in Physics from Galway University in 1985.</li> <li>Joined Shell Research in the UK in 1986 and returned to Ireland to join Irish Shell in 1990.</li> <li>Held a number of Commercial and Operations roles until joining the Board of Irish Shell in 1999.</li> <li>Remained as a Board member when Shell's Downstream business was sold to Topaz Energy Group Limited, until leaving the company in 2014. Held the role of Chief Operations Officer for the company together with</li> </ul> |

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| Digital Hub<br>Development<br>Agency<br>(DHDA) | Mr Owen Keegan           | Dublin City<br>Council<br>Nominee | Ex officio | 04/10/2021 -<br>03/10/2024 | Owen was appointed as Dublin City Council Chief Executive, in September 2013 having served as County Manager of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council from February 2006. Before joining DLRCC he worked for Dublin City Council, where he was Assistant City Manager and then Director of Traffic. Prior to October 1993 he worked as an economist for DKM Economic Consultants/Davy Stockbrokers. He has also worked in the Department of Finance, the ESRI and for two periods in the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government. Mr Keegan is from Dublin. He holds degrees in public administration, economics, and civil engineering. |
| Digital Hub<br>Development<br>Agency<br>(DHDA) | Mr Fiach Mac<br>Conghail | CEO                               | Ex officio | 21/12/2021 –<br>20/12/2026 | Fiach graduated from Trinity College Dublin with a degree in Politics and Sociology (1988). He was Director and CEO of the Abbey Theatre (2005-2016) and was an Independent Senator in the Irish Parliament (2011 -2016). He completed an M.A. in Public Policy in University College Dublin in 2018. In 2020 he was awarded a Professional Certificate in Corporate Governance at the Institute of Public Affairs. Fiach is board member of European  |

|                  |                             |                 |                                   |                            | Movement Ireland and Technology Ireland. He is a member of Foundation Irlandaise which manages the Centre Culturel Irlandais in Paris.   |
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| Bord na Móna     | Ms Sinead<br>Culleton Lowry | Worker Director | Ministerial                       | 27/09/2021 –<br>31/12/2022 | Sinead joined the company in 1989 as canteen attendant at Boora Workshops. Following her appointment to Blackwater as Canteen Manager for 3.5 years, Sinead returned to Boora HQ in 2017 to take up her current role as Canteen Manager. Sinead has served as Shop Steward and Assistant Secretary on the Boora SIPTU Committee. Sinead is looking forward to representing her colleagues as Worker Director on the Board.   |
| Loughs<br>Agency | Ms Fiona Walsh              | Member (RoI)    | Ministerial (RoI)<br>Cross-Border | 13/12/2021 –<br>12/12/2024 | Fiona has extensive experience in the technology, education and healthcare sectors. Fiona currently serves as non-executive Director on multiple boards, with combined budgets of €100M+ and 900+ employees. For four years Fiona served as chairperson of Ireland's largest Domestic Violence charity. Fiona has a Higher Diploma in Corporate Governance and an MBA from INSEAD. An innovative, analytical, and pragmatic leader with a track record driving performance and growth. Key strengths are leading organisations to develop strategy and to transform with technology. |
| Loughs<br>Agency | Mr Niall Greene             | Member (Rol)    | Ministerial (RoI)<br>Cross-Border | 13/12/2021 –<br>12/12/2024 | Niall Greene is Chair of the Board of Salmon Watch Ireland. He has been a member of the Board of Inland Fisheries Ireland and Chair of the governing body of Limerick Institute of Technology. He is an experienced  |

|                  |                      |                      |                                   |                            | Non-executive Director of enterprises in the state and private sectors, especially in the aviation sector. He holds a Master of Laws degree from the University of Limerick.  |
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| Loughs<br>Agency | Ms Heather<br>Mackey | Chairperson<br>(RoI) | Ministerial (RoI)<br>Cross-Border | 13/12/2021 –<br>12/12/2026 | Heather Mackey, a native of Co. Galway, has served as an independent non-executive Board Member of Loughs Agency since 2016. Her appointment as Chairperson of the Board took effect from 13th December 2021. Ms Mackey is an experienced Communications Director with over 20 years experience in strategic communications and advises numerous boards providing governance, business and communications support. A seasoned traveller, Ms Mackey has visited over 40 countries.   |
| Loughs<br>Agency | Dr. Frances Lucy     | Member (RoI)         | Ministerial (RoI)<br>Cross-Border | 13/12/2021 –<br>12/12/2026 | Dr. Frances Lucy is Head of the Department of Environmental Science and Director of CERIS, the Centre for Environmental Research Innovation and Sustainability at the Institute of Technology, Sligo. In addition to her new role with Loughs Agency, Frances is a member of the Environmental Protection Agency Advisory Committee and a Board Member of Inland Fisheries Ireland. Her main research interests are aquatic invasive species, fisheries science and water quality. Frances is President of Invasivesnet and is also involved in a range of environmental forums in both Europe and North America. |
| Loughs<br>Agency | Mr Jack Keyes        | Member (RoI)         | Ministerial (RoI)<br>Cross-Border | 13/12/2021 –<br>12/12/2026 | Following a career of successful leadership and management in the public and private sectors, including ten years as Cavan County Manager, Jack now works as a  |

|               |                   |              |                                   |                            | Senior Advisor. He assists organisations to reach their potential, plan strategically, manage change, develop innovative solutions, drive implementation and get results. He has recently played a pivotal role in Age Friendly Ireland focused on creating a better society for our ageing population.  |
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| Loughs Agency | Dr. Declan Little | Member (RoI) | Ministerial (RoI)<br>Cross-Border | 13/12/2021 -<br>12/12/2026 | Dr Declan Little is currently the Ecological Lead with Coillte Nature which is dedicated to not-for-profit projects of scale focused on biodiversity enhancement, ecological restoration, ecosystem services and climate mitigation. Coillte Nature is a unit within Coillte, the State forestry company in Ireland. He has a background in native woodland research and management and in a previous role as Project Manager for Woodlands of Ireland, a technical environmental NGO, he instigated and developed the Forest Service 'Native Woodland Scheme' with a broad range of stakeholders, including Inland Fisheries Ireland and the Marine Institute. He was also instrumental in the development and implementation of the 'People's Millennium Forests' project to celebrate the new millennium. The overlap between native riparian woodland establishment and protecting water quality resulted in his participation in a Loughs Agency 'Salmon, Inland Fisheries and Environmental Stakeholder' Focus Group in recent years. Declan is also a Director of Salmon Watch Ireland. |

| Loughs<br>Agency | Mr Danny<br>Kennedy | Member(NI) | Ministerial (NI)<br>Cross-Border | 30/07/2021 –<br>29/07/2026 | Danny Kennedy (born 6 July 1959, married to Karen, 3 children, 2 boys and 1 girl) is currently the Chairman of the Ulster Unionist Party (UUP) since December 2019 and was previously a Member of the Legislative Assembly (MLA) for Newry and Armagh from 1998 to 2017. He was formerly Deputy Leader of the Ulster Unionist Party Assembly Group. He served in the Northern Ireland Executive as Minister for Employment and Learning 2010/11 and Minister for Regional Development from 2011 to 2015. He was a Deputy Speaker of the Northern Ireland Assembly 2016/17.  |
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| Loughs<br>Agency | Mr Conor Corr       | Member(NI) | Ministerial (NI)<br>Cross-Border | 13/12/2021 –<br>12/12/2026 | Conor works as Manager of Cookstown and Western Shores Area Network, where he oversees a portfolio of rural development, community, health and wellbeing community funds and programmes, particularly in the Mid Ulster area. Conor has previously facilitated and managed a wide range of capital and revenue projects in the third sector on programmes in Europe, including Macedonia, Belgium, and Portugal. He spent seven years working throughout South America and Brazil, where he managed both development, health, and agrarian reform programmes for international aid agencies. He has held Chairperson positions on two Rural Development Programmes (RDP), DAERA RDP Oversight Committee, EU RDP Monitoring Committee, the Lough Neagh Partnership, is a volunteer and past Senior Training Manager for Lough Neagh Rescue and also represents the community / |

|         |                     |        |                            |                            | voluntary sector on a number of platforms including community planning, peace partnerships, local strategic development panels and Health Alliances.  |
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| EirGrid | Mr Shane<br>Brennan | Member | Elected Employee<br>Member | 22/12/2021 –<br>21/12/2024 | Shane Brennan is an engineering graduate from the University of Ulster, holds a post graduate diploma in Environmental Engineering from Trinity College Dublin and is a member of Engineers Ireland. He has over 20 years of engineering experience and commenced employment with EirGrid in 2008 as a Project Manager in Grid Development. He is currently the Senior Project Manager for the Northern Ireland element of the North South Interconnector project and has represented the company at many public engagements throughout Ireland and Northern Ireland. |
| ESB     | Ms Sara Venning     | Member | Ministerial (PAS process)  | 14/12/2021 –<br>13/12/2026 | Career Experience CEO of Northern Ireland (NI) Water and Board member of NI Water. Holds an MEng in Electrical and Electronic Engineering from Queen's University, Belfast. Joined Northern Ireland Electricity Networks as a graduate engineer, holding a number of positions including Customer Operations Manager prior to joining NI Water in 2010. A Fellow of the Institution of Civil Engineers.  External Appointments Board member of the Institute of Water and President of the NI WaterAid Committee.   |

| ESB | Mr Paul Lynam           | Member | Ministerial<br>(Reappointment) | 14/12/2021 -<br>13/12/2024 | Career Experience  Currently Managing Director of Jungheinrich Lift Truck (Ireland), a subsidiary of German based Jungheinrich AG. Has over 25 years' experience in business in Ireland and internationally. Previously served as Director of Operations of the International Industrial Business with Brand Energy & Infrastructure Services, CEO of the Whitfield Clinic, CEO of Siemens Limited Ireland and CFO of Siemens Limited Ireland (2008-2010). Spent 14 years in Germany in various management roles with Smurfit Group and Kappa Packaging. Holds a BSc in analytical science from DCU, a postgraduate diploma in business studies from UCD and MBA from City University Seattle.  External Appointments  Director at Jungheinrich Lift Truck Limited, previously served as Director of Siemens Ireland and Director of Whitfield Clinic associated companies. |
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| ESB | Professor Alf<br>Smiddy | Member | Ministerial<br>(Reappointment) | 14/12/2021 –<br>13/12/2024 | Career Experience  A chartered accountant, who trained with PwC. Chairman and Managing Director of Beamish & Crawford plc for over 12 years, and on the Board of its parent company, Scottish & Newcastle (UK) Ltd. Member of the National Executive Council of IBEC, Director of Cork Chamber of Commerce,   |

| Chairman of the Cork Local Government Committee and served on the Board of Cork Airport Authority. A Fellow of the Irish Marketing Institute. A Commerce graduate from UCC, with a Masters in Executive Leadership from Boston College and the University of Ulster.  External Appointments  Appointed in June 2021 as Adjunct Professor at the College of Business & Law, University College Cork, Director of the Government-backed Rethink Ireland (Social Innovation), and Director of Oxfam Ireland. Chairman and/or Director of various independent companies including Aperee Ltd (healthcare) and Granite Digital (Digital Marketing). |
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| Served as Senior Independent Non-Executive Director and Director with designated responsibility for workforce engagement at The Dalata Hotel Group Plc.  |