



## Minutes of Board Meeting

Held in NTA Offices, Smithfield - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2026

### **Board Members in attendance**

Mr Peter Strachan (Chairperson), Ms Anne Shaw (CEO), Mr Hugh Creegan (Deputy CEO), Mr Brian McCormick, Mr Richard Shakespeare (CEO of Dublin City Council), Ms Eleanor O’Neill, Mr Eddie Doyle, Mr Bernard McLoughlin, Mr David Holohan.

**Apologies:** Mr Iain Docherty, Ms Joyce Loughnan.

### **Others in attendance**

**All Items:** Mr Jeremy Ryan, Director of Public Transport Services; Mr Declan Sheehan, Chief Information Officer; Mr Philip L’Estrange, Director of Finance and Corporate Services; Mr Kevin O’Brien, Director of Transport Regulation; Mr Richard Kelly, Acting Public Affairs Manager (Minutes); Ms Blathin McElligott, Head of Corporate Services; Mr Gerard Cuddihy, Head of Governance - Chief Risk Officer.

**Item 6:** Mr Eoin Gillard, Assistant Director of Transport Investment; Ms Mary Darcy, Head of Metro Investment.

**Item 7:** Mr Stephen Gallagher, Head of Corporate Strategy.

**Item 8:** Mr David O’Flynn, Group Head of Finance and Deputy Chief Financial Officer.

**Item 9:** Mr Gerard McBrien, Corporate Risk Manager.

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### **1. Declarations of Interest**

#### **a) Declarations of Interest**

None

### **2. Minutes**

#### **a) Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The draft minutes of the Board meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2026 were approved.

### **3. Matters Arising & Board Schedule**

None.

### **4. CEO Report**

#### **a) CEO Report**

The Chief Executive outlined key developments since the last meeting and provided an update on various items. The Chief Executive then responded to queries and other matters raised by Board members.

The Board noted the use of the Corporate Seal during Q1 2026.

### **5. Capital Programme Committee**

#### **a) Report from Committee Meeting**

Ms O'Neill provided an update report from the April meeting of the Capital Programme Committee including an update on MetroLink, the Liffey Valley to City Centre Core Bus Corridor scheme, DART Fleet and the National Train Control Centre.

The Board noted the update provided by Ms O'Neill. In respect of the MetroLink update provided, the Board indicated its strong support that the additional funding required for MetroLink in 2026, arising from its acceleration following the withdrawal of the judicial review initiated against the project, would be provided separately from the NTA's overall capital funding envelope for its other projects.

### **6. MetroLink – Advance Briefing on Approval Gate 2 (Proceed to Tender) Decision**

Mr Creegan provided introductory remarks in respect of the Advance Briefing on Approval Gate 2 for MetroLink.

Ms Darcy provided an overview of the MetroLink project and the assurance process being undertaken in relation to the Approval Gate 2 decision point under the Infrastructure Guidelines.

Following the overview provided, Mr Creegan and Ms Darcy responded to questions from Board members. It was confirmed that the outcome of the assurance process and the Approval Gate 2 recommendation would be brought to the June Board meeting for decision.

### **7. Corporate Matters**

#### **a) Corporate Business Plan Update**

Mr Gallagher provided a progress update on the National Transport Authority's (NTA) Annual Corporate Business Plan.

Following the update, Mr Gallagher responded to questions from Board members.

The Board noted the update provided by Mr Gallagher.

### **8. Finance Matters**

**a) Management Accounts**

Mr O’Flynn provided an update on the NTA’s current financial position and responded to questions from Board members.

**9. Risk & Governance Matters**

**a) Risk Update**

The Board noted the Risk Report provided by Mr Cuddihy.

**10. Update from Working Group on Transport Security Force**

Mr O’Brien provided an update to the Board in respect of the Working Group on the proposed Transport Security Force

Following the overview provided, the Board noted the update provided by Mr O’Brien.

**11. AOB**

**Next Meeting: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2026 at NTA HQ @ 10.30hrs.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Chairperson**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_