

**Dearbhú Cáilíochta agus Cáilíochtaí Éireann**

**Quality and Qualifications Ireland**

**APPROVALS AND REVIEWS COMMITTEE**

Note of the Twenty Eighth meeting of the QQI Approvals and Reviews Committee, held via Teams **on Wednesday 3 February 2021 at 2.00 pm**

**Participation:**

Professor Irene Sheridan (Chair)  
Dr Ailsa Crum  
Mr William Kelly  
Ms Geraldine Larkin  
Ms Colette Harrison  
Ms Mary Sheridan

Ms Gráinne Power, Secretary  
Dr Deirdre Stritch  
Ms Marie Gould  
Ms Mairéad Boland

**Apologies:**

Ms Siobhan Kinsella  
Mr Kevin McStravock

Colette Harrison, on behalf of the Committee, expressed condolences to the Chair, Professor Irene Sheridan on her recent bereavement.

**1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

The Committee approved the agenda for the meeting and confirmed that there were no conflicts of interest in relation to any of the items of business before the Committee.

**2. MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF 12 OCTOBER 2020 (ARC/M26) AND 18 DECEMBER 2020 (ARC/M27)**

The Committee approved the Minutes of the ARC meetings held on 12 October 2020 and 18 December 2020.

**3. NOTES OF THE MEETINGS OF 12 OCTOBER 2020 AND 18 DECEMBER 2020**

The Committee approved the Notes of the ARC meetings held on 12 October 2020 and 18 December 2020 which will be published on the QQI website.

**4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

## 5. **QUALITY ASSURANCE PROCEDURES**

Deirdre Stritch joined the meeting to present items 5 and 6.

### 5.1 **Approval of Draft Quality Assurance Procedures – Applicant Provider**

The Committee noted the recommendation of the QQI executive (A28/5.1) based on the recommendation of the Quality and Capacity Evaluation Panel report (A28/5.2). Following discussion, the Committee accepted the recommendation of the QQI Executive to accept the findings of the panel report and therefore the Committee refused to approve, with recommendations, the application from the Applicant Provider.

## 6. **QUALITY ASSURANCE PROCEDURES**

### 6.1 **Approval of Draft Quality Assurance Procedures – Property Health Check**

The Committee noted the recommendation of the QQI executive (A28/6.1) based on the recommendation of the Quality and Capacity Evaluation Panel report (A28/6.2). Following discussion, the Committee accepted the recommendation of the QQI Executive to accept the findings of the panel report and therefore the Committee approved the draft Quality Assurance procedures of Property Health Check. Property Health Check is now approved to progress to Stage 2 of the access to initial programme validation process.

## 7. **FINDINGS OF THE CINNTE THEMATIC ANALYSIS**

Marie Gould and Mairéad Boland joined the meeting to present this item.

The Committee had a wide-ranging discussion on the findings of the mid-cycle analysis of Cinnnte reports.

## 8. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

The next meeting of the ARC will take place in April 2021 – date to be confirmed.

This concluded the business of the meeting.