

**Minutes of Code of Ethics Committee**

**Date: 13 June 2016**

**Venue: 90 North King Street, Dublin 7**

**Attendance**

**Authority:** Pat Costello (Chair), Bob Collins, Judith Gillespie, Vicky Conway

**Secretary:** Darragh Stapleton

**Executive:** Catherine Pierse, Christopher Campbell

No conflicts of interest were declared in relation to any matters for discussion

**1. The following items were considered and discussed as set out in the agenda:**

- 1.1 Private discussion for Committee
- 1.2 Minutes of last meeting
- 1.3 Documents for noting
- 1.4 Protected disclosures
- 1.5 Updated draft Code of Ethics
- 1.6 AOB

**2. Actions and matters of Note:**

- 2.1 The minutes from the last Committee meeting were agreed and signed.
- 2.2 There was a discussion about protected disclosures. The new Garda Síochána policy on protected disclosures will be reviewed to inform speaking up provisions in the Code.
- 2.3 The updated draft Code of Ethics was discussed and the Committee proposed a number of amendments which the Executive will now incorporate.

2.4 It was agreed that consideration should be given to the preamble as it sets the tone of the Code and is an opportunity to capture any gaps. It was proposed that a draft preamble should be completed by the end of July.

2.5 It was agreed that a copy of the draft Code should be provided to the Gardaí for observations before it goes to public consultation