

**THE HERITAGE COUNCIL
REPORT ON THE SEVENTH MEETING OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE RESTITUTION AND
REPATRIATION OF CULTURAL HERITAGE**

**BUSWELLS HOTEL, MOLESWORTH STREET, DUBLIN
2.00 pm, 17th April 2025**

PRESENT

Sir Donnell Deeny – Chairperson
Mr Seán Kirwan
Professor Phil Mullen
Mr Justice Naidoo
Professor Mary O'Dowd
Dr Patricia O'Hare - (joined online via Teams)
Ms Lynn Scarff - (joined online via Teams)
Mr Oliver Sears - (joined online via Teams)
Ms Chanté St Clair Inglis - (joined online via Teams)
Ms Virginia Teehan

IN ATTENDANCE

Ms Lisa Shortall
Ms Aalia Kamal

1. APOLOGIES

Ms Sinéad Copeland
Mr Eugene Downes
Professor Jane Ohlmeyer
Dr Audrey Whitty

2. MINUTES OF MEETING ON 26TH FEBRUARY 2025

Agreed: The minutes were approved and signed.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

4. SECRETARY'S REPORT

Virginia Teehan provided a summary of the Secretary's Report. The Committee will prepare a draft report for the Minister by year end.

5. REPORT FROM WORKING GROUP 2: LEGAL AND LEGISLATIVE POSITION IN IRELAND

The Chair provided verbal presentation of the report from the Legal Working Group. A line-by-line discussion of the framework document took place.

6. REPORT FROM WORKING GROUP 1: INTERNATIONAL POLICY AND BEST PRACTICE – DRAFT GUIDANCE

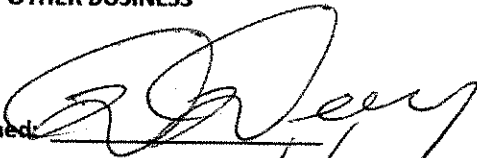
The Chair thanked the Working Group their continued work on the draft guidance. Professor O'Dowd provided a verbal presentation of the work of policy working group and the current draft of the guidance.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Agreed: The date of the next meeting will be agreed via email as work progresses on the Framework document.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None.

Signed: 

Date: 