



Housing for All Modern Methods of Construction Leadership and Integration Group

Friday, 16 December 2022 at 10am
DETE Offices, Kildare St

Meeting Minutes

Item	Update/Action	Owner
1. Introductions	The minutes of the last meeting were duly adopted.	All
2. Presentation	<p>The Build Digital Project presented on the work to-date to establish the initiative, touching on its mission, 5 project pillars, structure and partners, as well as providing some high-level insights from its annual survey.</p> <p>The presentation was followed by questions and answers.</p> <p>DPER noted in the context of the Build Digital Project that the updated Housing for All Action Plan includes an action to publish a graduated timetable for mandating BIM in procurement for delivery by Q2 2023.</p> <p>Action: DETE to circulate presentation slides to the Group.</p>	<p>Build Digital</p> <p>DPER</p> <p>DETE</p>

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<p>3. Updates</p>	<p>The Chair invited updates on the various initiatives via a tour de table.</p> <p>Construct Innovate (Tech Centre) Update: The Construct Innovate co-Director provided a brief summary of recent developments, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The official launch of Construct Innovate by An Tánaiste in Galway on 9 December; - Meeting of the Centre Steering Committee and International Advisory Board on 8 December; - Launch of the Construct Innovate website, which is a digital platform for the construction sector innovation ecosystem; - Membership model finalised and call for members open. Onboarding of members has commenced; <p>Action: The Chair invited Construct Innovate to provide an update on its work programme to the Group in January/February.</p> <p>In respect of Built to Innovate, EI advised it is continuing to engage with offsite manufacturers and home building companies in respect of the suite of innovation and productivity supports available.</p> <p>Demonstration Park & Skills/Training Update: SOLAS advised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Applications have opened for Expressions of Interest for the supply of Demonstration Dwellings for Phase 1 of the Demonstration Park for MMC at Mount Lucas. Closing 21 January 2023; - Cabinet has approved construction licencing scheme; - Online renewals of Safe Pass launched; - Level 3 qualification in Construction Skills launched; - Tailored offerings, including shorter upskilling courses, under development to provide an MMC package of skills. 	<p>Construct Innovate</p> <p>DETE</p> <p>EI</p> <p>DFHERIS/ SOLAS</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Construction pathway of micro credentials being considered. Stakeholder meeting to take place in January 2023; - Consideration being given to creating a dedicated website about construction courses in Ireland. <p>DFHERIS advised that the report on Higher and Further Education skills to deliver HfA targets was noted by Cabinet.</p> <p>DETE advised that a submission has been made to the Expert Group on Future Skills Needs regarding HfA Action 13.10 to examine the current and future skills needed for the transition to MMC. Decision expected in January.</p> <p>DHLGH advised that the RIAI is rolling out an online training course (CPD) for architects on Design for Manufacturing and Assembly. Kick-off meeting with CIC in early January. Government officials to participate.</p> <p>Action: Construct Innovate and SOLAS to consider linking respective websites.</p>	<p>DFHERIS</p> <p>DETE</p> <p>DHLGH</p> <p>Construct Innovate/ SOLAS</p>
<p>4. Roadmap for Public Procurement of Residential Construction</p>	<p>DHLGH updated on progress on the new action in the updated HfA Action Plan to develop proposals to enable a significant increase in public housing delivery using MMC.</p> <p>Action: DETE to arrange a meeting between DHLGH and Enterprise Ireland to discuss offsite manufactures in Ireland to better understand industry capacity.</p> <p>DETE presented a visual representation of identified steps on the incremental roadmap for MMC adoption in publicly procured residential construction.</p> <p>Action: DETE to include a skills pillar in the roadmap visualisation slide and share with the Group for observations.</p>	<p>DHLGH/ DETE</p> <p>DETE</p> <p>DETE</p> <p>DETE</p>

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5. AOB Next Meeting	It was agreed to schedule the next meeting for Monday, the 30 th of January ahead of the proposed outreach event for professional bodies and industry groups to increase awareness of the ongoing work to activate and accelerate MMC adoption.	All
	Action: DETE to circulate outline of the proposed outreach event to the Group.	DETE
	Under AOB DHLGH advised of an invitation from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development to join its Industrialized Construction tour of the UK, Japan and Sweden.	DHLGH
	Action: DHLGH to convene a meeting in January to discuss the opportunity in more detail.	DHLGH

Attendance

Declan Hughes (Chair), D/ETE
 Feargal Ó Coighligh, D/HLGH [Online]
 Seán Armstrong, D/HLGH
 Éadaoin Ní Fhearghail, D/HLGH
 Sarah Miley, D/FHERIS
 Kevin Meaney, D/PER
 Neil Kerrigan, Enterprise Ireland
 Andrew Brownlee, SOLAS
 David Smith, SOLAS
 Céline McHugh, D/ETE
 Manus O'Donnell, D/ ETE
 Veronica Miller, D/ETE

Additional invitees present

Tony Dalton, LOETB
 Clare Eriksson, Build Digital Project
 Robert Moore, Build Digital Project

Jamie Goggins, Construct Innovate
Peter Hesse, Housing Agency
David Kelly, D/HLGH

Apologies

William Beausang, D/FHERIS
John Conlon, D/PER
Philip Nugent, D/ECC
Leslie Carberry, D/ECC
Ross O'Colmain, Enterprise Ireland
PJ Rudden, Construction Sector Group

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