



Housing for All Modern Methods of Construction Leadership and Integration Group

Wednesday, 13 December 2023, 9.45am

DETE Offices, Kildare Street, Room 110

Meeting Minutes

1. Introductions

Minutes for the October Meeting were duly adopted.

Matters arising from the October meeting were addressed:

- SOLAS updated on MMC Roadmap Milestone 18 (information on MMC courses) and material is published at this link on the SOLAS website:
www.solas.ie/construction-lp/modern-methods-of-construction-mmc
- DETE shared the following updates since the last meeting:
- Housing for All implementation fund allocations have been confirmed to support ongoing implementation of EI Built to Innovate programme and NSAI Agrément Strengthening.
- DETE and DHLGH participated in a meeting with EU DG Grow on construction innovation on the 23/11/2023
- DETE presented at the RIAI DFMA CPD training on the 10/11/2023

2. Roadmap Implementation

DETE noted that there are 5 MMC Roadmap actions due for delivery Q4 2023, though these timelines have been updated slightly in the Housing for All 2024 plan, and that good progress is being made towards the delivery of all of these actions.

3. Updates on Various Initiatives

The Chair invited updates on the various initiatives:

Construct Innovate

- DETE agreed to circulate a written update from Enterprise Ireland after the meeting.

Built to Innovate

- EI reported that they have approved a further 3 projects under the Built to Innovate programme.



Build Digital

- DPENPDR gave an update on Build Digital and the BIM mandate.

4. Presentation on the Demonstration Park Followed by Discussion

Tony Dalton, Director of Further Education and Training, from the Laois Offaly Education and Training Board gave an update on the progress and plans for the MMC Demonstration Park. This was followed by a discussion.

5. Presentation on EGFSN MMC Skills Study Followed by Discussion

Linda Kane, DETE, presented on the work of the EGFSN Secretariat in relation to the MMC Skills study. This was followed by a discussion.

6. Data Project on MMC

DETE updated on the MMC data dashboard project currently being undertaken in collaboration with a contracted service provider.

7. AOB

The next meeting in February was noted by the Chair.

DHLGH is seeking to progress research in 2024 in the area of standardisation of MMC components, and also standardised design approaches. A steering group for the latter project is to be established to include both industry and public sector.

DHLGH has engaged the services of a photographer to capture high quality images of different MMC building systems.



Attendees

John Newham, DETE
Céline McHugh, DETE
Manus O'Donnell, DETE
Hannah Bolton, DETE
Ross McNamara, DFHERIS
Éadaoin Ní Fhearghail, DHLGH
Chris Daly, DHLGH
Liam Harding, DHLGH
David Kelly, DHLGH
Mark Kelly, D/Education
PJ Rudden, Construction Sector Group
Damien Henehan, DFHERIS
Martin Searson, NSAI
David Smith, SOLAS
Tony Dalton, LOETB/Mount Lucas
Kevin Meaney, DPER
Neil Kerrigan, Enterprise Ireland

Apologies

Sean Armstrong, DHLGH
Sarah Miley, DFHERIS
Ross O'Colmain, Enterprise Ireland
Andrew Brownlee, SOLAS
Feargal Ó Coigligh, DHLGH
John Conlon, DPENDR

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