

# Minutes Extraordinary Commission Meeting 6 January 2023 | 1:30pm | Online

#### Present:

- Sinéad Gibney, Chief Commissioner (SG)
- Dr Frank Conaty (FC)
- Michael Finucane (MF)
- Prof Kathleen Lynch (KL)
- Dr Salome Mbugua (SM)
- Dr Rosaleen McDonagh (RMcD)
- Prof Ray Murphy (RM)
- Colm O'Dwyer SC (COD)

### Apologies:

- Heydi Foster Breslin (HFB)
- Jim Clarken (JC)
- Prof Caroline Fennell (CF)
- Tony Geoghegan (TG)
- Adam Harris (AH)
- Dr Lucy Michael (LM)
- Sunniva McDonagh SC (SMcD)

## In attendance:

- Éimear Fisher, Acting Director
- Michael O'Neill, Head of Legal
- Elizabeth McCauley, Minute taker

An Extraordinary Meeting of the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission took place online from 1:30pm – 1:40pm on 6 January 2023.

### 1.1 Apologies, Quorum and Declaration of Interest

Apologies were noted from HFB, JC, CF, TG, AH, LM, RMcD and SMcD. There were no declarations of interest and the meeting was quorate.

# 2.1 Amicus Curiae

(A Minor); Child and Family Agency and A v Adoption Authority of Ireland and C and D (Supreme Court Appeal S:AP:IE:2022:000106)

The Counsel opinion was taken as read. The Commission agreed to seek leave to intervene as amicus curiae.