**MINUTES of the BOARD MEETING**

**Held at Gate House, on Tuesday 9th May at 10.30 a.m.**

 Present: Lord Edward Faulks

 Matt Brown*(remotely)*

 Shrenik Davda *(remotely)*

Charles Garside *(remotely)*

 Eddie Gray (remotely)

Ian MacGregor

 Brendan McGinty *(remotely)*

 Barry McIlheney *(remotely)*

 Kavita Reddi *(remotely)*

Martin Trepte

Attending: Charlotte Dewar – Chief Executive Officer

 John Davidson – Head of Communications

 Tom Glover - Senior Policy and Public Affairs Officer

Michelle Kuhler – PA/minute taker *(remotely)*

Tonia Milton – Head of Systems

Observing:

1. Welcome and Apologies

Apologies were received from Michaela McAleer and Sarah Lee.

1. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 7th February 2023 were approved.

1. Matters Arising

 There were no matters arising.

1. Chairman’s Report – oral

The Chairman updated the Board on the reception of the External Review of IPSO by Sir Bill Jeffrey.

He noted that the tone of the coverage reflected the detail and thoroughness of the Review.

The Chairman updated the Board on recent meetings with relevant stakeholders.

He noted that there would shortly be further debate in the House of Lords on the Online Safety Bill, in which he hoped to participate.

1. Chief Executive’s Report – oral

The Chief Executive updated the Board on recent developments in complaints of interest.

1. Discussion: Jeffrey Review recommendations

**The Board confirmed its agreement to accept recommendations by the Jeffrey Review that related to IPSO’s operations.**

The Board discussed recommendations of the Jeffrey Review that had the potential to effect IPSO’s structure and governance**.** It agreed with the External Reviewer’s position that these matters were worthy of detailed consideration.

It asked IPSO’s Chairman to write to the Regulatory Funding Company to notify it that these recommendations were under consideration by the Board and offer it the opportunity to make submissions.

**The Board agreed to consider the recommendations which related to IPSO’s governance further at a later date.**

1. Any other business

There was no other business.

1. Date of next meeting

 The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 20h June 2023.

1. Confidential item (Board and Chief Executive only)

 The Board received an update on staffing matters.

 **Michelle Kuhler, PA to Chairman and CEO**