

# Meeting of the National Enterprise Hub Contact Group

17th of June, 11:30am

## Attendees

### In person:

Eoin Fahey	Department of Finance
Sean Caribini	Revenue
Des McCarty	Microfinance Ireland
Noreen Fitzpatrick	SOLAS
Clodagh Crehan	FSAI
Niall Lane	Department of Social Protection
Ciara Roca	Enterprise Ireland
Conor O'Donovan	Enterprise Ireland
Orla Keeshan	Department of Enterprise, Tourism and Employment

### Online:

Kieran Comerford	Local Enterprise Office
Ray Sheehy	Department of Agriculture
Helen Burke	IDA
Elizabeth Finnegan	BordBia

### Secretariat:

Ross Church, Department of Enterprise, Tourism and Employment  
Patrick Sinnott, Department of Enterprise, Tourism and Employment  
Ashley Long, Department of Enterprise, Tourism and Employment  
Sean Small, Department of Enterprise, Tourism and Employment

## Note of meeting

Ross Church opened the meeting with a tour de table. Ross gave a brief outline of the agenda and overall direction of the NEH from the Department of Enterprise, Tourism and Employment perspective. He then opened the floor for general thoughts or opinions on the current workings of the group and the website.

Ross then handed over to Ciara Roca who presented the performance statistics of the site for May. Ciara then provided an overview of the roadmap and outlined a number of planned projects to further improve the NEH service.

Ciara also gave an update on the media campaign, the Irish version of the NEH and the proof of concept for an AI tool.

There was then a high-level discussion around interagency support and help that could be provided. With some discussion on the AI tool and the further assistance that could be offered to business owners when applying for available grants and supports.

## **Actions arising**

- Department of Enterprise, Tourism and Employment to arrange next meeting date later in September 2025
- LEO and IDA providers to meet with NEH advisors to have an in-depth discussion on supports.