

BOARD MEETING, 19 July 2017 Summary of key points

The Board noted the successful first anniversary event that had taken place on 6th July and the publication of the Annual Report and Accounts and the Annual Review. The Board approved the Business Plan which has subsequently been published on the website.

The Board discussed the launch of the Fundraising Preference Service and the number of users and the number of suppressions that had been received in the first week. The Board noted that future developments will include a Welsh language version of the website and the inclusion of charities registered with The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland.

The Board had a long discussion about payment of the levy, and the arrangements for levy year two. The Board considered the work that had been done by the Levy Review Group and agreed the principles that would be applied in levy year two. The Board noted that the issuing of invoices would begin in September. The Board agreed the action to be taken to follow up with those charities which had not replied to the first levy request and the Board has since issued a press release about that.

The Board considered the recommended changes to the Code of Fundraising Practice, following the recent consultation. The Board approved all the recommendations that had been put forward by the Standards Committee. The Board also agreed the proposed implementation timetable.

The Board agreed the revised draft of the rulebooks for Private Site Fundraising, Street Fundraising and Door-to-Door Fundraising. In addition it was agreed that the Standards Committee would undertake a wider review of the rulebook governance in September.

The Board agreed that a recruitment exercise should begin to appoint a Board member for Northern Ireland.

