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## Minutes of the **Mobile Phone and Broadband Taskforce**

### Meeting No. 3

**Date:** Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2016

**Venue:** Conference Room, 8 Ely Place, Dublin 2

**Time:** 10.00 – 13.00

**Attendees:** Katherine Licken (D/CCAE) (co-Chair), William Parnell (D/AHRRGA) (co-Chair), Patrick Neary (D/CCAE), Dave Walsh (D/HPLG), Ray O'Leary (D/TTS), Pat Gallagher (CCMA), Pat Maher (TII), John Sydenham (OPW), John Dillon (NewERA), Seamus Boland (Irish Rural Link), John Martin, Paul Madden (Ericsson), Ferghal Reidy (LGMA), Linda Doyle (TCD) Cathal O'Donoghue (Teagasc), Tommy Ryan (CCMA)

**Observers:** Ivan Kiely (ComReg), Martin Bourke (OPW), Stjohn O'Connor (D/AHRRGA), Mairead McCabe (D/DCCA),

**Secretariat:** Ciara Bates, John Gorman (D/AHRRGA)

**Dept. Officials:** Neasa Lehane

**Apologies:** Clodagh Kavanagh (Abbey) Mary McNamara (ICWA)

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### 1. Introduction by (Working) Chairpersons

- The co-Chairs, Katherine Licken and William Parnell, welcomed the group to the third Mobile Phone and Broadband Taskforce meeting. Katherine outlined that the main focus for today's meeting would be a discussion with TIF, ALTO and the Rural Wireless Internet Service Providers, who have been invited to address the Taskforce.

### 2. Agreement on Minutes of the second meeting

- The Minutes for the last meeting were agreed by the group

### 3. Readout from Chairpersons on first meetings of the Sub-Groups

- 1) The **Consumer Issues** sub-group outlined the main actions and emerging draft recommendations from their meetings to date.
- 2) The **Planning Process** sub-group outlined the main actions and emerging draft recommendations from their meetings to date.

- 3) The **Network Improvements** sub-group outlined the main actions and emerging draft recommendations from their meetings to date. Many of the items discussed overlap with the Consumer subgroup and will be discussed with that group.
- 4) The **Access to Infrastructure** sub-group outlined the main actions and emerging draft recommendations from their meetings to date.

#### 4. Presentation from the Rural Wireless Internet Service Providers

- The WISPS addressed the taskforce and there was a brief discussion on issues raised

#### 5. Presentation from TIF

- TIF addressed the taskforce and there was a brief discussion on issues raised

#### 6. Presentation from ALTO

- ALTO addressed the taskforce and there was a brief discussion on issues raised

#### 7. Proposed dates of next meetings

All members were in agreement on future meeting dates proposed.

To be completed when all of the minutes are agreed.

<b>Minutes Prepared By:</b> _____	<b>Minutes Approved By:</b> _____
<b>Date:</b> _____	<b>Date:</b> _____

