



**REPORT TO CILT BOARD FROM MRG**

**January 2025**

**Introduction**

- 1 The MRG last met on 12 December 2024. In person at 20 Victoria Street and online.

**MRG members**

- 2 Five new members joined the MRG and attended their first meeting in December. One member selected for the MRG decided not to take up the position. One member stood down, leaving eight 'old' members, seven of whom will stand down in July 2025. Six new members will be required by July 2025 and a new Chair and Vice Chair will need to be elected. For information, the current MRG and their date of selection is as follows:
 

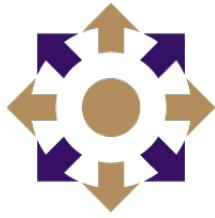
• Anne Clark	July 2021
• Margaret Everson	November 2024
• Simon Gardner	November 2024
• Andrew Hemmings	November 2022
• David Kemp - Vice Chair	July 2021
• Paul Le Blond - Chair	July 2021
• Sabahat Mazhar	November 2024
• Paul Reid	November 2024
• Les Ritchings	July 2021
• Paul Salmon	November 2024
• Andrew Stout	July 2021
• Nachiappan Subramanian	July 2021
• Ken Thompson	July 2021
- 3 Rionne Bateman has now been confirmed as the MRG's key Senior Manager contact. She and Paul Adams attended the December meeting.

**Governance Review**

- 4 The MRG have been made aware that the governance review group is now taking this forward, with the MRG Chair and Deputy Chair on the group. A separate paper from this group is being presented to the Board.
- 5 As agreed at the November 2024 Board, three members of the Board, including the MRG Chair, are meeting with five Communities Chairs on 3 February to discuss governance issues.

**Key Projects/Initiatives/MRG Task Teams**

- 6 When it was established in 2021, the MRG formed task teams to consider areas it considered would be priorities for the membership and to give MRG members specific subjects to consider. With the changing membership of the MRG, it is appropriate to review those priorities and to re-form the task teams. An audit of the MRG's skills and priorities will be undertaken.



7 Reports from the current task teams were noted as follows.

**Communities' Chairs Liaison**

8 The MRG Task Team attended the Communities Chairs' meeting on 17 October (as did the MRG Chair and several Board members). We suggested that a note of actions should be provided and this is being implemented by Rionne Bateman. As noted above under governance, three Board members are meeting with five Communities' Chairs on 3 February.

**Awards**

9 We heard from Paul Adams that the combined Annual Conference and Awards on 19 September had been partially successful but lessons would be learned for next years' events, for example the date. The Task Team would provide input for all national events.

**Education and Professional Development**

10 The decision to acquire the D2L Brightspace LMS was wholeheartedly welcomed, noting that it would be capable of much more than the initial applications, although it is recognised that user adoption will be a challenge. The MRG task Team of Ken Thompson and Nachi Subramanian will continue to liaise with Shaun Fardy on its introduction.

**Market Research**

11 The Task Team has noted that the Brightspace product would be able to be used for key research insights.

**Communications**

12 Liaison continues between the MRG Task Team and Daniel Parker-Klein covering the website project and the performance of media channels. The Communications Team is being asked to provide guidance on sharing CILT information on social media.

**Grading**

13 Although a long running concern, this has not been a high priority.

**Next Meeting**

14 MRG meetings for 2025 have been set for 5 February, 16 May, 28 July and 29 October.

Paul Le Blond  
8 January 2025