



ROYAL NATIONAL LIFEBOAT INSTITUTION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF RNLI COUNCIL MEETING **HELD ON THURSDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2019**

The RNLI Council met at Trinity House, Tower Hill, London, on Thursday 21 February 2019.

The meeting covered a variety of topics including an update on the achievements made during 2018, and the plans for 2019.

In particular, there were full presentations and discussions on:

- Brexit – Council members were updated on what the RNLI was doing to prepare for a no-deal Brexit, and how it might impact in the key focus areas of Finance, People, Supply Chain, Legal and Regulatory, Fundraising, Lifesaving Delivery and Communications, and where the risk might be for the RNLI.
- Our International activity – Council members were briefed on the background and history of the UK Aid Match for funding our work in Bangladesh. UK Aid Match supported UK charities to raise awareness amongst the UK public of the work that DFID supported in developing countries through an awareness campaign and fundraising appeal.
- The programme of work to improve safety and modernise the support that we provide for our lifeboats and shore crew on the coast.

Overall the Council were pleased with the proposal to 'car share' with our Area Lifesaving Managers which would provide opportunities for our Trustees and Council members to deepen their knowledge and understanding, and strengthen their relationships with people working on the coast.

The Council noted that the Chief Executive was due to retire in May and congratulated him on all his achievements over the past 10 years.

The next meeting of the Council will be in Poole on 17 July 2019.