



Northern Ireland Regional Group

MINUTES OF MEETING

Meeting – No 1

Venue- McKinty & Wright , 5-7 Upper Queen Street Belfast, BT1 6FS

Date – 1st November 2007

Attendance

Name	Organization
Conor Wilson	Lockton
Gay Ireland	Belfast City Council
Nicola O'Neill	Marsh
George Ong	Northern Ireland Water Limited
Gary Proctor	Bartholomew & James Limited
Gary Elliott	Bartholomew 7 James Limited
Sean Mc Gahan	McKinty & Wright

1.0 Welcome

Sean McGahan welcomed all those attending. A special welcome was given to George Ong, Risk Manager from Northern Ireland Water for his attendance. The agenda was set out.

2.0 Introductions

Each attendee explained a little bit about themselves and what their interest in risk management and the Institute of Risk Management.

3.0 Election of Secretary

Gary Elliott was nominated to act as secretary and was appointed secretary.

3.0 Agreement of Aims and Objectives

Aims & Objectives

There was a lively discussion amongst those attending concerning the lack of development of risk management in Northern Ireland compared to the mainland of the UK and how the group could raise awareness of the educational organization without conflicting with commercial activity. A key issue identified was the small numbers of active members of the IRM in Northern Ireland which was agreed as the main problem for a regional group. The following aims and objectives were agreed

To widen the reach of the IRM in Northern Ireland

To encourage growth in membership

Encourage growth in expertise in risk management within the group under Chatham House Rules.

To share best practice

4.0 Step to Further those Objectives

It was agreed that the IRM should identify itself to other similar groups in the region such as ALARM. Bringing those studying for examinations closer together would be another avenue to be looked at. It was not felt that any specific event would be of benefit at the present time given the small numbers involved in risk management.