

Meeting #6 06/03/2020	LC Chemistry Development Group
Agenda Item	Notes
Minutes, matters and governance	Previous minutes agreed, with some clarifications. Clarification that standard NCCA processes would be followed for curriculum development. No declarations of conflicts of interest. Checks for access to SharePoint space. Matters arising addressed.
Review of unifying strand	<p>The group members reviewed a working draft of a unifying strand and provided feedback, which the Executive will take into consideration when redrafting for the next meeting. Some aspects discussed included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The need for any expectations for student learning within a unifying strand to find meaning and nuance in the context of Leaving Certificate Chemistry - The need for this to be embedded as part of the student learning experience from early 5th year onwards
Development of draft working strand 4 (Interactions)	<p>The group members reviewed a working draft of Strand 4 and provided feedback, which the Executive will take into consideration when redrafting for the next meeting. Some aspects discussed included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The value of consistency in scientific language within and across the specification(s) - The need for language to be accessible and understandable, and specific changes and suggestions to content - Clarity on LOs requiring experimental or investigative activities - Any learning outlined within Leaving Certificate Chemistry needs to be purposeful, relevant and enjoyable
Development of draft working strand 3 (Behaviour)	<p>The group members reviewed a working draft of Strand 3 and provided feedback, which the Executive will take into consideration when redrafting for the next meeting. Some aspects discussed included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Agreement on the value of students learning about models and their limitations as central to the course - Specific changes and suggestions to content - Agreed to review the flow of the strand so it allows concepts to build on each other in a logical order
Next steps	<p>Next Meeting Monday 30th March 2020</p> <p>The chair reflected on the work done, asked for any final contributions and thanked the members for their attendance and contributions.</p>