



TTF's Advisory Group Meeting Notes

3rd February 2026, held on Zoom from 3:00PM to 4:00PM

Attendees - all are members of TTF's Advisory Group, see [here](#)

- John Howard, Chair
- Mark Bishop
- Robert Dellner
- Martin White
- Lou Dolan
- Steve Conley
- Andy Agathangelou, Founder of TTF
- With Brian Reilly, guest representing TTF's 'Ireland Matters' group

Apologies:

- Dr. Ian Foxley
- Lou Baxter-Scott
- Roger Mullin
- David Pitt-Watson
- Steve Kenzie
- Mark Falcon

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

- Checked; no conflicts of interest were reported.

NOTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- Agreed; to be published

UPDATE ON PREVIOUS ACTIONS

1) TTF Ambassadors

- Project to overhaul [TTF Ambassadors](#) on hold given intention to create new charity entity; to be reactivated thereafter.

2) What is the Purpose of the Financial Services Sector?

- This is, in many ways, the ‘primary question’ and is a topic we will return to when bandwidth allows.

3) Media spokespeople initiative

- Initiative on hold, awaiting launch of the new charity

4) Charity application

- Application submitted
- Still awaiting engagement from the Charity Commission

5) Funding

- Continues to be a challenge
- To be a major focus if/when the charity is created

KEY TALKING POINTS IN TODAY’S MEETING

Note: areas requiring action are highlighted in **yellow**.

1) Study being conducted on the Advertising Standards Regulations

- Looking into the economic impact
- To be discussed again at the next meeting

2) Input from one of the TTF Groups

- Brian Reilly kindly provided an insight into the workings of TTF’s “Ireland Matters” group that meets each Wednesday at 1pm on Zoom
- Referenced [AA’s talk](#) at the 13th January [Breaking Point meeting in Dublin](#)
- It’s very good that students are engaging on issues such as vulture funds
- **Idea for further consideration:** Are any universities willing to take on these issues from an academic point of view?
- Brian left the meeting after this item was completed

3) Overhaul of our Group Meetings

- Discussed how the new “[The TTF 2026 Timetable](#)” was working
- TTF Australia and TTF USA/Canada meetings are now running weekly, not monthly
- **Idea to act on when bandwidth allows:** Each TTF group to have its own:
 - Branding

- Web Page
- Facebook Page
- Twitter handle
- Media activity; etc.

4) TTF response to FCA Consultation on Client Categorisation

- TTF's response is [here](#).
- We challenge what we see as further deregulatory activity at the expense of consumer protections

5) Back Bench Debate

- John McDonnell MP has secured a Backbench debate on "Hidden Credit Lines and the Role of the FCA"
- The relevant part of the Backbench Business Committee session is [here](#)

6) APPG's next Summit

- Monday 16th March from 2pm to 5pm, in Westminster Palace

NEXT TTF ADVISORY GROUP MEETING

- Always the first Tuesday of the month 3:00PM to 4:00PM UK time, on Zoom.
- So that makes Tuesday 3rd March 3:00PM to 4:00PM UK time, on Zoom