

LC History Development Group		Meeting 6: 20 March 2025
Welcome, minutes, matters arising, Declaration of interest.	Apologies were given and the minutes of the last meeting were approved. No declarations of interest were heard.	
Updates	There was an update given on the feedback from the consultation on the background paper. The consultation closed on February 28 th and there were 129 responses and 4 written submissions. Overall satisfaction with the current syllabus was expressed with some reduction of content and wider choices available.	
Unifying Strand	There was a presentation on the skills of the historian as a unifying strand and learning outcomes developed. The group made suggestions on documents that may be included in this strand.	
Structure of the course	The group considered the overall structure of the course and the options for allowing choice of topics. Discussions included: gaps identified; a rolling end date for the course; the number of strands and options; the ratio of Irish history to world history; implications for broadening topics.	
Strand 2 Working with Learning Outcomes	The group examined strand 2 in isolation to examine how learning outcomes could be used to allow for options in content and the implications for these choices. The group examined various ways of structuring the course – on geographical basis (Ireland/Europe/Wider World), in timeframes, or thematically and the implications for each.	
Next Steps	Next meeting: May 1 st Portlaoise.	