Department of Rural and Community Development Management Board Meeting No. 32

MANAGEMENT BOARD MINUTES 16/4/2018

ATTENDANCE:

Chair – Kevin McCarthy - Secretary General, William Parnell – Assistant Secretary

Secretariat - Lynda Crawford

Clodagh McDonnell, Head of HR and Corporate Affairs attended for items 4.1, 4.3 and 4.4, Fergal Costello, Finance Officer attended for item 4.2.

Apologies: - Bairbre NicAongusa - Assistant Secretary

STATEMENT OF INTEREST

No conflicts

2. COMMUNICATIONS & TOPICAL MATTERS DIARY, MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING & MATTERS ARISING

2.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

2.2 MATTERS ARISING

No matters arising.

2.3 COMMUNICATIONS & TOPICAL MATTERS DIARY

The diary for the forthcoming fortnight was noted.

2.4 GOVERNMENT MEMORANDA / CABINET SUBCOMMITTEES

A list of Government Memoranda currently circulated was noted.

2.5 WEEKLY SCHEDULE (DÁIL, SEANAD AND COMMITTEES)

The Oireachas schedule for the week was discussed.

2.6 SOG'S/CABINET COMMITTEES

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The MB noted the next Senior Officials Group for Cabinet Committee A will take place on April 26th at 11am.

2.7 FOI REPORT

The FOI Report was noted.

3. PRIORITY ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION/NOTING

3.1 NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN/RURAL REGENERATION & DEVELOPMENT FUND

No issues arose for discussion under this item.

4. CORPORATE & OPERATIONAL MATERS FOR INFORMATION

4.1 HR UPDATE

The HR update was noted.

4.2 FINANCE ISSUES: EXPENDITURE REPORT

The expenditure report was noted. An update was provided on progress in respect of the C&AG interim audit.

4.3 COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

It was noted that a reminder notice was being issued to all staff to request that any outstanding representations be cleared for issuing ahead of the introduction of the new e-correspondence systems.

4.4 ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation issues in Ballina and Dublin were discussed.

6 AOB

It was noted that the GDPR coordinator would ask the relevant PO's to request an update from agencies on their GDPR preparations.

Kevin McCarthy

Secretary General