## Department of Rural and Community Development Management Board Meeting No. 41

# MANAGEMENT BOARD MINUTES 18/6/2018

#### ATTENDANCE:

Chair – Kevin McCarthy - Secretary General, Sheenagh Rooney - Assistant Secretary, William Parnell - Assistant Secretary, Bairbre NicAongusa - Assistant Secretary

Secretariat - Máire Flanagan

Fergal Costello, Principal Officer attended for item 3.1 and 4.2.

### 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 with a minor amendment.

## 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) Noted

### 2.6 SOG'S/CABINET COMMITTEES

The MB noted that (i) the Senior Officials Group for Cabinet Committee A and (ii) a meeting of the implementation Group on the North East Inner City were both scheduled to meet on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at 11.30 and agreed that MB on that morning would be rescheduled.

Cabinet Committee A is scheduled to meet on 9<sup>th</sup> July.

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#### 2.7 FOI REPORT

Item not taken.

## 3. PRIORITY ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION/NOTING

# 3.1 NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN/RURAL REGENERATION & DEVELOPMENT FUND AND THE RURAL SECTORAL EVENT

The Rural Regeneration and Development Fund, the Project Ireland Delivery Board and ongoing preparations with the Department of Agriculture, Food & Marine for the Rural Sectoral event on the 13th July were discussed.

## 3.2 BREXIT

The Department's engagement with inter-departmental working groups on Brexit was discussed.

## 4. CORPORATE & OPERATIONAL MATERS FOR INFORMATION

### 4.1 HR UPDATE

The verbal HR update was noted including proposed engagement around workforce planning.

## 4.2 FINANCE ISSUES: EXPENDITURE REPORT

The expenditure report was discussed with a preliminary discussion on the Estimates.

## 4.3 COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

A verbal update on Communications was noted, including meetings with GIS on Wednesday 20th June and  $21^{\text{st}}$  Thursday.

## 4.4 ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation issues in Dublin and Ballina were discussed.

# 5 AOB

The Draft Report and Action Plan on Dormant Accounts were discussed. The Management Board expressed their appreciation to all involved in the successful launch of the new libraries strategy, Our Public Libraries 2022.

Kevin McCarthy, Secretary General