MANAGEMENT BOARD MINUTES 27/8/2018

ATTENDANCE:

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

Fergal Costello, Principal Officer, attended for item no. 5.1

Secretariat – Lynda Crawford

1. 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)

MB noted the Oireachtas schedule for the next week.

2.6 SOG'S/CABINET COMMITTEES

The MB noted that there are no cabinet committee meetings scheduled.

2.7 FOI REPORT

Noted.

3. ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

3.1 PROPOSED FOI PUBLICATION SHCEME

The proposed FOI Publication Scheme was agreed in principal by MB, subject to minor editorial amendments.

4. PRIORITY ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION/NOTING

4.1 RURAL REGENERATION AND DEVELOPMENT FUND

The Rural Regeneration and Development Fund was discussed.

5. CORPORATE & OPERATIONAL MATERS FOR INFORMATION

5.1 FINANCIAL REPORT

The expenditure report was discussed and noted. DRCD estimates process 2019 was discussed.

5.2 HR UPDATE

The verbal HR update was noted.

5.3 COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

The verbal communications update was noted.

5.4 ACCOMMODATION

The MB noted the success of the re-location of staff from the 3rd floor to the 4th and 5th floors in Trinity Point and stated their appreciation to all staff for their cooperation.

Accommodation issues in Dublin and Ballina were discussed.

6. AOB

The MB noted and acknowledged the extensive work of staff on the publication of DRCD Annual Report 2017 and the Review of the Dormant Accounts Fund Disbursement Schemes 2013-2016 and 2017-2019.

Kevin McCarthy, Secretary General