Housing for All Delivery Group
Note of Meeting
30 March 2022

NOTE: The agenda and attendance for this meeting of the group were broadened to discuss the Government's response to the need to provide accommodation and housing for those arriving into the country from Ukraine.

The meeting received a briefing on the current situation in relation to Ukraine arrivals, with the following items being discussed:

- Numbers arriving into the country, including projections for March, April and May, though difficult to forecast with certainty in the longer-term.
- Processing capacity at Dublin Airport.
- Proportion of arrivals seeking accommodation has increased in 4 weeks from 17% to 65%.
- A number of actions have already been taken to increase the amount of accommodation available in the short-term, including making more emergency beds available and increasing the amount of serviced accommodation.
- Resources have been diverted to ensure arrivals are matched to accommodation rapidly and more resources will be made available if necessary.
- Various scenarios for projected arrivals have been modelled.
- Models for available short-term accommodation have been developed, including through IPAS, Local Authorities, serviced accommodation, schools/student accommodation, pledged accommodation etc.
- Models for demand vs supply of short-term accommodation were discussed, including risk of not having sufficient accommodation and agreement to review feasibility of all possible options.
- The need for longer-term accommodation was also discussed, with a variety of solutions being considered, including acceleration of refurbishment of vacant property, leasing of units and building new units at pace.
- OPW presented an outline proposal for modular build of units to meet the longer-term need.
- The importance of continued delivery of Housing for All was emphasised in the context of the Ukraine crisis.
- Memo for Cabinet being prepared to outline proposals.

Key Actions

Item	Action	Owner
Q1 Reporting	Q1 progress report to be submitted to Cabinet on 5 April and published thereafter. While Ukraine situation poses additional challenges, Housing for All now more important than ever and key to remain focussed on continued momentum on measures such as affordability, Croí Cónaithe emphasised.	HfA Secretariat, All DHLGH
Ukraine	Ongoing urgent focus for the immediate maximisation of accommodation available and matching arrivals to same. A number of options to be explored to develop longer-term solutions as quickly as possible – e.g. refurbishment of vacant properties, bringing on new homes at scale and speed through a combination of options (e.g. leasing, modular construction). Need to continue focus on delivery of HfA while developing solutions for Ukraine arrivals. Options to be set out in memo for Government next week	All All All DHLGH
Next Meeting	Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 11 May at 10:30am	HfA Delivery Group

Attendance

In Room 308:	**By VC:**
SG Martin Fraser (Chair), D/Taoiseach SG John Hogan, D/Finance SG David Moloney, D/PER SG Graham Doyle, D/HLGH SG Mark Griffin, D/ECC SG Orlaigh Quinn, D/ETE SG Ken Spratt, D/Transport SG John McKeon, D/SP SG Jim Breslin, D/FHERIS SG Oonagh McPhillips, D/Justice SG Kevin McCarthy, D/CEDIY SG Bernie McNally, D/Education A/Sec John Shaw, D/Taoiseach A/Sec Liz Canavan, D/Taoiseach A/Sec Paul Lemass, D/HLGH A/Sec Carol Baxter, D/Taoiseach A/Sec Paul Lemass, D/Taoiseach Deirdre Gillane, Chief of Staff, FF Brian Murphy, Chief of Staff, FG Dónall Geoghegan, Joint Chief of Staff, GP **In Room 301** SSG John Callinan, D/Taoiseach A/Sec Dermot Woods, D/Taoiseach PO Eileen Hearne, D/Taoiseach PO Mary Keenan, D/Taoiseach	Ciaran O'Connor, OPW

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