

**Agenda**  
**Meeting of the Teacher Supply Steering Group**  
**Via WebEx**

**7 December 2020 @ 2.00 p.m.**

**1. Minutes of previous meeting**

**2. Covid-19 public health emergency and teacher supply: updates**

- (i) Job-sharing teachers and sub work
- (ii) Expansion of primary sub teacher supply panels
- (iii) Teaching Council measures:
  - Registration for NQTs qualified outside Ireland in 2020
  - Targeting registered teachers not active.
  - Arrangements for school placements 2020/21 (Enhancing the availability of PME students to fill substitute vacancies).

**3. Update on actions:**

*(a) Data to support teacher supply planning*

- (i) Technical Report.
- (ii) Analysis of post primary subject teacher demand.
- (iii) Potential use of the Teaching Council register to hold additional data to support teacher supply planning.

*(b) Communications and promotion of the teaching profession (T*

- (i) Promotion campaign update
  - Promoting diversity in the teaching profession
- (ii) Development of a recruitment portal for long term teacher vacancies.
- (iii) Options for engagement with partners on teacher supply.
- (iv) Teachers supply newsletter

*(c) Higher Education*

- (i) ITE programme application numbers 2020
- (ii) Post primary teacher upskilling programmes
  - Recently announced programmes (mathematics, physics, Spanish)
  - Potential for new programmes in 2021
- (iii) Supports for ITE students
- (iv) Review of school placement guidelines / implementation of Working Group report

*(d) Policies and arrangements for schools and teachers that impact on teacher supply*

- (i) Retired teachers and substitute work.
- (ii) Potential for the employment of primary teachers in post primary settings

- (iii) Review of the refund of fees scheme for teachers: potential for the prioritisation of upskilling programmes.
- (iv) PDST return to teach resource

#### **4. Teacher Supply Action Plan**

#### **5. AOB**

#### **6. Next meeting**