

Management Board Meeting Minutes

Monday 9 October, 2017, 10.30 a.m.

Attendance: Secretary General (Fergal Lynch), Bernie McNally, Dermot Ryan, Éimear Fisher and Michelle Shannon. Miriam Kenna reporting.

1. Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of 2 October, 2017 were agreed.

2. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

3. Brief Updates

MS provided updates on (i) Commission of Investigation into Mother and Baby Homes (Cork meeting, Forensic Archaeologist Report) and (ii) Oberstown and Joint Oireachtas Committee on Children and Youth Affairs.

BMcN provided updates on (i) Early Years and Budget 2018 (ii) Affordable Childcare Scheme (iii) AP away day (iv) Youth Services Grant Scheme (Internal Audit Report) (v) School Completion Programme, (v)) LGBTI+ Youth Strategy, (vi) Mapping of Youth Services (vii) Launch of *How was School Today* report on 14 October and (viii) *Creative Ireland*.

DR provided updates on (i) Protected Disclosure (ii) monthly meeting with Tusla executive team (iii) Health and Social Care workforce planning (iv) Brexit and (v) Miesian Plaza.

EF provided updates on (i) Children First Act 2015 (oversight working group and commencement orders) (ii) Child Poverty (iii) Children First Inter Departmental Group (iv) *Growing Up in Ireland* and (v) Tusla Performance Framework.

4. Legal Unit Report

Una McEvoy and Genevieve Burke attended the meeting for this item and presented on the quarterly report of the Legal Unit. The report focused on significant matters for the attention of the MB and a number of issues were reviewed. The MB noted the issues highlighted and thanked the Legal Unit for its work.

5. Budget 2018

FL gave an update on Budget 2018 and thanked all involved in the achievement of a good result for the Department. It was confirmed that the Minister's press conference would take place on Budget day, 10 October, at 3.30pm.

6. For Noting

Oral PQ date was confirmed for Tuesday 17 October

7. AOB

FL asked for a report on PMDS compliance from HR, for consideration by the MB on 16 October. He asked that all MB members should strongly pursue staff compliance with their respective POs in advance of next week's discussion.

FL confirmed monthly meeting with the CEO of Tusla was taking place on Friday 13th October and asked for details of any issues that MB members wished him to raise.

It was noted Tusla will be before the PAC and they have requested that a DCYA representative to attend.

8. Next Meeting

The next meeting was confirmed for Monday 16th October 2017 at 10:30.