

Management Board Meeting Minutes Monday 17 December 2018, 10.30am

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 meeting of 10 December 2018 were agreed.

2. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

3. Brief Updates

EF provided updates on (i) Special Rapporteur Report (ii) ISPC (iii) GAL Bill (obs from OPC) (iv) Special Care (High Court case pending) and (v) Tusla (Board Chair and Business plan)

MS provided updates on (i) Adoption (Meeting with OPC re ARC (ii) M&BH (Collaborative Forum report and Discovery order) (iii) Tuam (next steps; request for secondments to the project) (iv) Scouting Ireland (v) ETB (vi) Oberstown (JOC; Minister's visit).

BMcN provided updates on (i) EY Quality (EU Country Specific Recommendations) (ii) School Age Regulations (Commencement Order) (iii) EY Policy (Jobs strategy) and Pobal (compliance and sustainability; quarterly oversight meeting)

DR provided updates on (i) Internal HR (restructuring phase 2) (ii) GAL Reform (iii) Business Plans 2019 and Risk Register (iv) External HR (Tusla – Special Care and strategic workforce plan)

4. Brexit Update

FL circulated a confidential Government Memorandum to MB prior to the meeting. He gave an update of the previous meeting of the Secretary Generals where Brexit had been discussed and a further discussion would be taking place later in the week. The SG discussions had highlighted the need for all Government departments to be prepared in the event of a no deal Brexit. While the impact on DCYA areas would not be nearly as extensive as on many other areas of Government, it was vital to ensure that any issues arising from Brexit (whether based on a deal or no deal) were identified and addressed appropriately in advance of the UK's scheduled withdrawal on 29 March 2019.

Each MB member reported on the elements of relevance to their side and confirmed that all necessary steps were in hand and on schedule. FL will report further after the meeting of Sec Gens on Wednesday 19 December.

5. For Noting

An update on the Risk Register and Risk Management Process was provided by CCGU and noted by MB.

The Vote 40 – Expenditure Analysis November 2018 report to MB was noted.

6. AOB

Car Parking – Partnership submitted a proposal for decision to the MB on the future options for the available car parking spaces in Miesian Plaza. MB discussed the options outlined. It was agreed that arrangements for parking would remain as they are at present. A response would issue to partnership.

FL thanked all MB members for the significant progress made during 2018. He thanked them for the hard work and strong commitment shown by their teams and wished them the best for Christmas and the new year.

8. Next Meeting

The next MB meeting was confirmed for Monday 7 January 2019 at 10:30.