Department of Public Expenditure and Reform Management Board Meeting on 16 September 2019

Minutes

Attendance

Secretary General, Mr Feeney, Mr Moloney, Mr Menton, Mr Cagney, Mr Lowry, Mr Downes, Dr Fallon Byrne, Ms O'Reilly, Ms Godkin, Ms Coleman, Ms McGirr, Ms Callaghan, Mr Ellison, Mr Cleary, Ms Codd

Apologies

Mr Quinn, Ms Sweeney

1. Minutes of Meeting held on 3 September

The minutes of the meeting on 3 September were agreed.

2. Events of the week

Ms Godkin updated the Board on the Minister's diary for the coming week.

3. Government Agenda

The agenda for this week's Government meeting was noted.

4. Key Policy Issues / Events of the week

Mr Menton provided an update for the Public Service Pay and Pensions Division including the Pay Commission, sectoral pay and industrial relations issues, the Public Service Pay and Pensions Act 2017 and the Single Pension Scheme.

Dr Fallon Byrne updated the Board on the Reform and Delivery Office including the Civil Service Management Board, Innovation training, the Public Service Innovation Fund, the Digital Summit, Robotic Automation Process and the Public Sector Standards Bill.

Mr Downes updated the Board on the Expenditure Policy and Reporting Division including Budget 2020, Project Ireland 2040 and the Public Spending Code.

Ms Coleman provided an update for the Expenditure Management, EU Policy and Audit Division including preparations in relation to Budget 2020, RTE and Bord Na Mona.

Mr Moloney updated the Board on the Labour Market and Enterprise Policy Division including preparations for Budget 2020 and the National Childcare Scheme.

Mr Lowry provided an update for the Office of Government Chief Information Officer including issues arising in relation to the National Shared Service Office payroll, the Public Services Card and GovTech.

Mr Cagney provided an update to the Board for the Civil Service Human Resources Division including Workforce Planning and the Learning Management System go live date in October 2019.

5. Upcoming Memoranda for Government

The Memoranda for Government planned for upcoming Government meetings were noted.

6. End August Expenditure Report

The end August Expenditure Report was noted by the Board.

7. Update on Climate Action Plan

Mr Cleary updated the Board on the Climate Action Plan that was launched in June 2019 with 183 actions. Each action contains several steps with a timeline by quarter, the responsible lead, and other key stakeholders listed. DPER is responsible lead for 18 steps across 12 separate actions and is listed as a key stakeholder in the development of another 20 steps across a further 11 actions. The majority of actions fall into 2019 and 2020.

8. A.O.B.

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Next Meeting – 23 September 2019 at 11.00am