

Management Board Meeting Minutes
Quarterly Half Day Session, Grand Canal Hotel
Monday 8 July 2019, 9.30 a.m.

Attendance: Secretary General (Fergal Lynch), Bernie McNally, Dermot Ryan and Éimear Fisher.

Project Team, Organisational Review: Vera McGrath, Sarah Ryan.

Mazars: Laura O'Neill.

1. Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes of meeting of 24 June 2019 were held over for consideration at the next meeting of the MB, scheduled for 22 July.

2. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

3. For noting

All items circulated in advance were noted. It was agreed that the paper on Children in Need of Care and Protection (Albert O'Donoghue) would be discussed at a future meeting of the MB.

4. DCYA Organisational Review

Laura O'Neill presented on [the main findings and](#) a number of potential options for reorganisation of the Department of Children and Youth Affairs. She detailed the thinking behind each option and outlined how it might operate in practice.

MB members considered each option ~~in detail~~, including the implications and application in practice of each possible one. Clarifications were sought and a number of suggestions for changes and improvements were made.

LO'N agreed to take the various suggestions on board and to clarify a number of issues raised during the discussion, for further consideration by the MB. It was agreed that the MB would meet again on Wednesday 10 July to discuss the revised material [in more detail](#) from Mazars, at which time next steps would be considered.

It was agreed that it would be important to communicate fully with the whole Department and to keep all staff informed of developments when the MB had reached a conclusion about next steps in the process. This would be done as soon as possible after the MB's meeting of 10 July. Until that stage, all matters relating to the Mazars work would be kept strictly confidential.

5. Next meeting

It was confirmed that the next meeting would take place on Monday 22 July 2019 at 10.30.