

**Department of Public Expenditure and Reform
Management Board Meeting on 14 January 2019**

Minutes

Attendance

Secretary General, Mr Feeney, Mr Menton, Mr Lowry, Ms Fallon-Byrne, Mr Quinn, Ms Austin, Mr Moloney, Mr Downes, Ms Godkin, Mr Brophy Ms Sweeney, Ms Callaghan, Ms Codd.

Apologies

Ms Coleman, Ms O'Reilly, Mr Cagney

1. Minutes of Meeting held on 7 January

The minutes of the meeting on 7 January were agreed.

2. Events of the week – Minister's Diary

Ms Godkin updated the Board on the Minister's diary for the coming week. The Dail and Seanad schedules for the week were discussed.

3. Government Agenda

The agenda for the upcoming 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 Public Service Stability Agreement and a number of pay and industrial relations issues arising and the Single Pension Scheme.

Ms Austin provided an update for the Expenditure Management, EU Policy and Audit Division including Climate Action, the National Broadband Plan, Housing and Brexit.

Dr Fallon-Byrne updated the Board on the Reform and Delivery Office including Civil Service Renewal and meeting of the Secretary General working group scheduled for 15 January, the Data Sharing and Governance Bill and the next meeting of the Civil Service Management Board.

Mr Quinn updated the Board on the Office of Government Procurement including the hosting by OGP of the Central Purchasing Body (CPB) Network meeting in Dublin Castle on 17 and 18 January, the Climate Disruption Consultative Forum scheduled for Friday 18 January and a review of Business Continuity Planning in the OGP.

Mr Downes updated the Board on the Expenditure Policy and Reporting Division including preparations for the Spending Review, the Minister's upcoming meeting with the Budgetary Oversight Committee, the National Development Plan and the meeting of the Project Ireland Delivery Board later this week and sectoral policy issues in justice.

Mr Moloney updated the Board on the Labour Market and Enterprise Policy Division including Health Sector and Social Protection policy issues, Brexit preparedness and preparation for the Spending Review.

Mr Lowry provided an update for the Office of Government Chief Information Officer including the National Broadband Plan, ICT professionalisation and the Public Services Card.

5. Upcoming Memoranda for Government

A number of planned Memoranda for Government were discussed.

6. Final Audit Plan 2019

The final Audit Plan for 2019 was noted by the Board.

7. A.O.B.

- Brexit – The Secretary General provided the Board with an update on preparations for Brexit which were then discussed by the Board.

Next Meeting – 21 January 2019 at 11.00am