MANAGEMENT BOARD MINUTES 21/01/2019

ATTENDANCE:

Chair – Kevin McCarthy - Secretary General; William Parnell – Assistant Secretary; Sheenagh Rooney - Assistant Secretary and Bairbre NicAongusa - Assistant Secretary.

Kenneth Jordan, Finance Officer and Jason Cleary, Assistant Principal Officer, Research and Evaluation attended for item 5.3.

Secretariat - Lynda Crawford

1. STATEMENT OF INTEREST

No conflicts.

2. PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

3. MATTERS ARISING

No matters arising.

4. MATTERS FOR DECISION

5. PRIORITY ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION

5.1 BREXIT

MB discussed DRCD preparations for Brexit.

5.2 RURAL REGENERATION AND DEVELOPMENT FUND

Sheenagh Rooney gave a progress report on the Rural Regeneration and Development Fund.

MB noted the progress on the implementation of the plan for a second RRDF announcement under Categories 1 and 2, early this year.

5.3 UPDATE ON DRCD EVALUATION WORK

Kenneth Jordan and Jason Cleary provided an update on the Department's research and evaluation programme. MB noted the progress achieved and the further actions to be taken.

6. MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

6.1 HR UPDATE

The verbal HR update was noted.

6.2 COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

The Communications update was discussed.

6.3 MINISTERIAL REPRESENTATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

MB noted the report on Ministerial representations and correspondence.

7. STANDING ITEMS

7.1 MINISTERIAL AND MANAGEMENT BOARD DIARIES

The diary for the forthcoming fortnight was noted.

7.2 GOVERNMENT MEMORANDA / CABINET SUBCOMMITTEES

The list of Government Memorandum currently circulated was noted.

7.3 WEEKLY SCHEDULE (DÁIL, SEANAD AND COMMITTEES)

MB noted the Oireachtas schedule for the next fortnight.

7.4 SOG'S / CABINET COMMITTEES

The MB noted the schedule for the next fortnight.

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Kevin McCarthy,

Secretary General