

Management Board Meeting number 15 of 2023

Management Board - Meeting Details				
Date:	2 May 2023			
Time:	1000			
Location:	51 St Stephen's Green and teleconference			
In Attendance:	Oonagh McPhillips (chair), John O'Callaghan, Doncha O'Sullivan, Louise Jevens, Deirdre Meenan, Andrew Munro, Aonghus O'Connor, Stjohn O'Connor, Carole Sullivan, Neil Ward, Rachel Woods, Andrew Jones, Marie Minihan, Mary O'Regan, Patrick Cluskey, Lisa Doherty (for Item 3), Donal D'Arcy (for Items 4 - 6), James Campbell (Secretary)			
Apologies	Seamus Clifford, David Delaney, Yvonne Furey, David Gilbride, Ben Ryan, Emer Mullins,			

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1.	Minutes Update from SG	The minutes of the meeting of 25 April 2023 were agreed and all actions arising are being progressed. The note of the meeting will be published on the Plan and Risk database. The SG briefed the Board on meetings with the Commissioner, French ambassador and GSOC. The SG also updated the Board on training for HEOs and AOs in the Department, the April meeting of the CSMB, the forthcoming ISD programme board and plans to meet the Taoiseach with the Minister and Minister of State.	All
2.	Current and Emerging Issues	Data Protection Commission The Board noted an update on the DPC and plans to submit an Early Warning Report to Government for information.	Andrew Munro



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		Publication of Report The Board received an update on a meeting the Minister had with interested parties following a recent Government decision.	John O'Callaghan
		Judicial Appointments and the Courts The Board was update on the Judicial Appointments Board and the Courts Bill in Seanad Éireann.	Stjohn O'Connor and Andrew Munro
		Garda Matters	Carole Sullivan
		The Board was briefed on the latest Garda recruitment figures, the GRA conference and the Interdepartmental Group on Policing Reform.	
			Rachel Woods
		Military Justice	
		The Board noted that the Department was considering Department of Defence's draft heads regarding the prosecution of members of the Defence Forces in the criminal justice system.	
3	Inspection of Places of Detention Bill and OPCAT	The Board was briefed on the development of the Inspection of Places of Detention Bill, which is necessary for the ratification of the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (OPCAT).	Rachel Woods
		The Board noted the Bill's pre-legislative scrutiny and stakeholder engagement and discussed how to best provide for the independence of the Inspector from the Minister.	



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4 - 6	Coroners Updates, Pathology Services and Unidentified Remains	The Board noted the commencement of the Stardust Inquest and acknowledged the significant work required. The Board noted updates on coroners and pathologist and engagement with the HSE. The Board discussed progress to date and ways to modernise the coronial system and to provide for post mortem examinations. The Board also noted the consolidation of coroners' data to develop an unidentified remains register that will be published by the Department later this month.	
7	Transparency	The Board noted the Government Business and Communications Calendar for the week ahead.	
8	AOB		

Key Action Points

Submit an Early Warning Report on the forthcoming DPC decision on data use – Andrew Munro

Update briefing for the Minister, Minister of State and Secretary General's meeting with the Taoiseach – All

Make arrangements as needed for the DNA testing of unidentified remains – Stjohn O'Connor

Raise with the Commissioner publishing the list of unidentified remains on the Garda missing persons' website – Carole O'Sullivan