

Management Board Meeting Minutes
(in person and by skype)
Monday 26 June 2023 at 10.30 am

Attendance: Secretary General (Kevin McCarthy); Anne-Marie Brooks, Sheenagh Rooney, Laura McGarrigle, Carol Baxter, Lara Hynes and Dermot Ryan.

Apologies from Colm O’Conaill.

Miriam Kenna reporting.

1. Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes of meeting of 12 June 2023 were agreed.

2. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

3. Ukrainian Crisis and International Protection updates

SR gave brief update on the Ukraine BOTP situation at present including:

- BOTP accommodation availability remains steady. The situation is being kept under review as numbers increase.
- Ongoing issues continue to be worked on
- Dedicated team are working on compliance issues
- Engagement with D/Toiseach and other departments continue.

CB gave brief updates on International protection including:

- All unaccommodated IP applicants have now been offered accommodation
- Numbers applying continue to increase
- Overall accommodation problems remain acute, but there is more accommodation coming on stream and emergency options are being looked at.
- Persons with status – Monthly targets being met
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4. Digital Strategy 2023-2028

Ray O’Neill and Caitriona McGuckion joined the meeting for this item. A paper had been circulated to MB prior to the meeting including a full draft of the “Digital Strategy 2023-2028”.

CMcG and RO’N gave an update of the progress to date in developing the draft strategy, building on a series of early stage staff workshops.

MB welcomed the overall draft strategy and discussed and provided feedback on aspects of it. Given the extent of staffing and operational environment changes since the original workshops were conducted, it was agreed to provide further opportunity for SMT and wider staff feedback in the finalisation of the strategy.

5. MB role in the development of a new Statement of Strategy

Andrew Patterson attended the meeting for this item.

He circulated an updated draft of a new set of Strategic Objectives following meeting with each of the MB members.

MB discussed the revised objectives and suggested further changes that AP will reflect in an amended document and circulate for final approval.

6. For noting

The papers circulated under this heading were noted by MB members.

Finance Unit's Vote Management Report covering the period to May 31, 2023 was circulated separately to MB members.

7. AOB

Minister/MB meeting will take place on Monday 3rd July.

It was noted that the federation of early childhood providers (the **FECF**) are holding a protest on Tuesday 27th June.

Org Development –it was noted that some initial Task group meetings have been held.

Next Meeting

The next MB meeting will be on Tuesday 11th July 2023 at 2.30.