MANAGEMENT BOARD MINUTES 12/11/2019

ATTENDANCE:

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

David Dalton, Principal Officer, Inspection and Compliance Unit attended for item 5.2

Andrew Forde, Principal Officer, Rural Strategy and Social Enterprise Unit and Richard Gavin, Assistant Principal Officer, Rural Strategy and Social Enterprise Unit, attended for 6.2

Secretariat – Lynda Crawford

1. STATEMENT OF INTEREST

No conflicts.

2. PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved with minor amendments.

3. MATTERS ARISING

4. MATTERS FOR DECISION

5. PRIORITY ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION

5.1 BREXIT

MB discussed DRCD preparations for Brexit.

5.2 EXPANSION OF THE ROLE OF THE INSPECTION AND COMPLIANCE UNIT

David Dalton updated the MB on the proposed expansion of the role of the Inspection and Compliance Unit.

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MB approved the expansion of the role of the unit and noted that this information will be presented to the audit committee and shared with Principal Officers.

6. MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

6.1 OTHER SIGNIFICANT UPDATES

MB members provided updates on a number of ongoing items in their areas, including, the publication on the 12 November of Indecon's Report into the Potential for a 'Charity Passport' Facility for Charity Data in Ireland, the Charity Trustees' Week 2019 from 11-15 November, the Charities (Amendment) Bill 2019, , the Inter-Departmental Group on Direct Provision, the LCDC Networking Event on the 9th November 2019, the Interdepartmental Group on Social Inclusion Work Schemes, the Organisational Capacity Review offsite meeting on 8th November, the Climate Change Action Plan, the DRCD Employee Handbook for Staff, the announcement by Minister Ring of funding under the second call for Category 1 Projects under the RRDF on the 6th November, the AEC taskforce meeting on the 11th November, the Joint Committee on Rural and Community Development meeting on the 13th November (the Pilot Town Centre Living Initiative), the meeting of the Comhairle na Tuaithe on the 14th November, the Rural Development Policy 2020+ and the Walks Scheme.

6.2 NATIONAL SOCIAL ENTERPRISE CONFERENCE ON THE 21ST NOVEMBER 2019

Andrew Forde updated MB on the National Social Enterprise Conference on the 21st November, 2019.

7. STANDING ITEMS

7.1 MINISTERIAL AND MANAGEMENT BOARD DIARIES

The diary for the forthcoming fortnight was noted.

7.2 GOVERNMENT MEMORANDA / CABINET SUBCOMMITTEES

MB noted current Government Business.

7.3 WEEKLY SCHEDULE (DÁIL, SEANAD AND COMMITTEES)

MB noted the Oireachtas schedule for the next fortnight.

7.4 SOG'S / CABINET COMMITTEES

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No issues arising.

8. AOB

Kevin McCarthy, Secretary General