

MANAGEMENT BOARD MINUTES 20/11/2018

ATTENDANCE:

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

Ken Jordan, Principal Officer and David O'Connor, Assistant Principal Officer attended for item 5.2

David Dalton, Principal Officer and Rosie Smyth, Higher Executive Officer attended for item 5.3

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

No matters arising.

4. MATTERS FOR DECISION

5. PRIORITY ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION

5.1 RURAL REGENERATION AND DEVELOPMENT FUND

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

MB noted that an Taoiseach, Leo Varadkar and Minister Michael Ring, joined by Minister Kevin Moran and Minister Sean Canney, will announce the first round of successful applications under Rural Regeneration and Development Fund in the Model, The Mall, Rathquarter, Sligo Town.

The MB was updated on preparations for the event.

5.2 FINANCE REPORT

The expenditure report was noted and discussed.

The MB approved the DRCD Anti-Fraud/Corruption Policy document with amendments.

5.3 REVIEW OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAMME

David Dalton and Rosie Smyth provided MB with an overview of the process, scope and timeframe of the review of the Community Services Programme.

MB noted the very informative briefing provided, the completion of the very extensive consultation process by the Libraries Development and Community Policy Unit and the proposed next steps.

5.4 CALENDER OF ANNOUNCEMENTS

MB discussed the structure of a calendar of announcements for DRCD schemes in 2019.

6. MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

6.1 HR UPDATE

The verbal HR update was noted. The MB noted the success of staff conference on the 16th November and expressed their appreciation of all staff for their involvement and valued input.

6.2 COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

The Communications update was discussed.

7. STANDING ITEMS

7.1 MINISTERIAL AND MANAGEMENT BOARD DIARIES

The diary for the forthcoming fortnight was noted.

7.2 GOVERNMENT MEMORANDA / CABINET SUBCOMMITTEES

A list of Government Memoranda 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 there are no Cabinet Committee meetings scheduled.

8. AOB

Kevin McCarthy,
Secretary General