MANAGEMENT BOARD MINUTES 17/12/2018

ATTENDANCE:

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

Ken Jordan, Principal Officer, Finance Unit, attended for item 5.2.

Finola Moylette, Principal Officer, Rural Policy and Schemes, 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 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 in 2019.

5.2 FINANCE REPORT

The expenditure report was noted and discussed.

5.3 DRCD SCHEMES 2019

MB discussed DRCD Schemes 2019. Finola Moylette provided an update on Rural Policy and Schemes 2019.

5.4 BREXIT

MB discussed DRCD preparations for BREXIT.

6. MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

6.1 HR UPDATE

The verbal HR update was noted.

6.2 COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

The Communications update was discussed.

MB noted that eFOI will be operational on 2nd of January 2019 and training will be provided to all decision makers and reviewers.

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 that there were no Government Memoranda currently circulated.

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 for the next fortnight.

8. AOB

Kevin McCarthy, Secretary General