

Minutes of Meeting of the Policing Authority

Date: 19 June 2018

Venue: 90 North King Street and by Conference call (CC)

Attendance

Authority: Josephine Feehily (Chairperson), Noel Brett, Bob Collins, Pat Costello (CC), Valerie

Judge(CC), Moling Ryan, Maureen Lynott (CC).

Secretary: Aileen Healy

Staff of the Helen Hall (Chief Executive)(CC)

Authority:

Apologies: Judith Gillespie¹

1. Chairpersons Opening Remarks

The draft agenda was approved. J. Gillespie advised of a possible conflict of interest in relation to Item 2 and her views were conveyed to the members after the decision was taken.

2. Consideration of Report from Public Appointments Service on the selection competition for the position of Commissioner of the Garda Síochána.

Members considered the report from the Public Appointments service ('PAS') on the recruitment and selection competition for the Commissioner of the Garda Síochána. The stages and thoroughness of the selection process were discussed and noted.

The experience, qualifications, training and expertise of the person recommended for nomination by the Authority to the Government for appointment as the Garda Commissioner were considered.

The Authority decided that the person recommended, Mr. Drew Harris was suitable to be nominated subject to appropriate clearances, vetting, terms and conditions, etc., matters which will be handled by the Department of Justice and Equality.

The Authority authorised the Chairperson to make the formal nomination when she is satisfied that these matters are sufficiently advanced.

No.	Action point	By Date	By Whom
A_039_01	The Chairperson to advise the Secretary General of the Department of Justice and Equality of the Authority's decision.	Immediate	Chairperson

¹ Views on agenda items were conveyed to the Secretary in advance of the meeting.

No.	Action point	By Date	By Whom
A_039_02	The Chairperson to make the formal nomination, if appropriate, in line with the Authority's decision.	ASAP	Chairperson

3. Appointments to panel of interviewers for Garda Síochána Promotions

Members considered and approved proposals to add a number of persons to the panel of interviewers for promotion boards in the Garda Síochána.

No.	Action point	By Date	By Whom
A_039_03	The panel of interviewers to be updated with details of persons appointed.	Immediate	Executive