

Minutes of Meeting of the Policing Authority

Date: 20 November 2018

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

Part A - Authority Meeting

Attendance

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

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

Secretary: Aileen Healy

Staff of the Helen Hall (Chief Executive), Margaret Tumelty, Síle Larkin

Authority:

1. Chairpersons Opening Remarks

The draft agenda was approved. No conflicts of interest were declared in relation to the matters for discussion.

2. Garda Síochána Appointments

Members discussed the establishment of a panel of candidates for appointment to the rank of Chief Superintendent in the Garda Síochána (GS). It had previously been decided that a panel of 12 candidates would be established in light of the likely number of positions to be filled, having regard to the Garda forecast of expected vacancies to end November 2019 and to allow contingency in the event of further vacancies arising over the life of the panel, which will expire twelve months from establishment. It was noted that there is no guarantee that all candidates put on the panel would be appointed when the panel expires on 19 November 2019.

The report of the selection board and the order of merit for the Chief Superintendent selection competition were considered by Members and the panel of candidates for appointment to the rank of Chief Superintendent was established in accordance with the regulations in the order of merit determined by the selection board. The confidentiality of the panel was emphasised and it was agreed that their results will be notified to candidates only.

A temporary acting appointment was made to the position of Executive Director HRPD in the Garda Síochána.

No.	Action point	By Date	By Whom
A_045_01	The results of the 2018 Chief Superintendent selection competition to be notified to candidates.	ASAP	Chief Executive

Part B – Authority Meeting with the Garda Commissioner in private

Attendance

Authority

As above

Members and

staff:

Garda Síochána Drew Harris (Garda Commissioner), John Twomey (Deputy Commissioner), Pat Leahy

(Assistant Commissioner), Anne Marie Cagney (Chief Superintendent), Feargal

McCauley (Senior Analyst), Sandra Fitzgerald (Garda).

3. Youth Diversion Programme

There was a detailed briefing and discussion on the progress of the review of the Juvenile Diversion Programme since the last interim report on the review in June. It was agreed that there would be a further detailed discussion at an early meeting in public.

No.	Action point	By Date	By Whom
A_045_02	The finalisation of the review on the Youth Diversion Programme by mid January 2019	Jan 2019	GS