Meeting of the Implementation Body on Wednesday 20 April 2011

Present: PJ Fitzpatrick (Chair), Oonagh Buckley, Colin Menton, Victoria Cahill, Alan Plummer (Secretariat).
Public Service Unions: Shay Cody, Tom Geraghty, Sheila Nunan, Patricia King
Public Service Management: Ciaran Connolly,Michael Errity, Philip Kelly

1. **Minutes** of the previous meeting were agreed subject to minor amendments to text.

2. With regard to the **Action Points,** the Secretariat agreed to follow-up on the reporting structure put in place for the Community Welfare Service within the Department of Social Protection.

3. **Updates from Chair and Secretariat:**
    - The Chair informed members of his recent address at the launch of the TEAGASC HR Strategy – *People Leadership & Change.* The Secretariat agreed to circulate a hard copy to all Body members.
    - In the matter of Independent Verification of Savings under the Agreement, the Body was informed that the Request for Tender issued and was due for return 27 April 2011.
    - Sectoral Reports were circulated. The matter of timeframes for the implementation of Shared Services was discussed.
    - Members considered inviting sectoral management to meet with the Body to discuss Sectoral Reports. Extraordinary meetings were arranged to accommodate reviewing Progress and Savings Verification Reports.

4. **Items for decision**

    It was agreed that further consultation was required by Parties in the matter of standardisation within Local Authorities.

5. **Items for noting**

    The Body discussed the structure of the Report on savings under the Agreement.