

Minutes of Meeting of the Implementation Body on Tuesday 15th December 2011

Present: PJ Fitzpatrick (Chair), Colin Menton, Alan Plummer (Secretariat)

Public Service Unions: Shay Cody, Patricia King

Public Service Management: Michael Errity, Oonagh Buckley, Paul Reid

Apologies: Robert Watt, Deirdre Hanlon, Sheila Nunan, Tom Geraghty

1. **Minutes** of the previous meeting on 1st November were agreed.
2. **Updates from Chair and Secretariat:**
 - The Chair briefed the Body on his recent contacts and discussions.
3. **Updates from Sector Chairs:**
 - The Body considered the reports received from the Chairs of each of the sectoral implementation groups.
 - The latest position regarding Garda rosters was noted.
4. The progress report published for the period April to September 2011 was discussed. It was agreed to seek reports from certain sectors on the estimates for departures by the end February 2012 and the preparations being made in the short term to ensure continuity of services post that date. It was agreed that follow up meetings with sectoral management may be arranged.
5. **Items for decision:**
 - The Body noted the programme of work under Public Service Reform Plan.
 - The Body agreed to new streamlined arrangements for the Action Plans in the Civil Service and State Agency sectors which will see Departments submit integrated action plans incorporating elements from the plans of agencies under their aegis. Non commercial state agencies will still produce their own plans.
 - The issue of capturing progress under the Agreement across health sector non-HSE funded institutions was discussed and it was agreed to highlight this issue with the Department of Health.
 - There was discussion on external verification of projects under the Agreement which will be considered further.
6. **Items for noting:**

None