

PERMANENT SECRETARIES' STOCKTAKE
Friday 2 December 2022 @ 8.30am

Cataloguing Room, PRONI offices

Attending: Jayne Brady (Chair), Colm Boyle, Mike Brennan, Mark Browne, Neil Gibson, Alex Gordon, Julie Harrison, Denis McMahon, Peter May, Richard Pengelly, Hugh Widdis, Jill Minne

Chris Stewart, Jayne Byrne

1. Apologies

An apology was received from Katrina Godfrey.

2. Declarations of Interest

M Brennan declared a potential conflict of interest in Item 6 below and left the meeting. No other declarations of interest received.

3. Update on meeting with Treasury – Tues 29 November 2022

J Brady (JB) and N Gibson (NG) provided an update on the meeting with Treasury/No 10/NIO. NG advised on NICS/NIO budget engagement going forward. Work on the budget for 2023-24 will start before Christmas deadline for returns by early January 2023.

It was agreed Budget and Decision-making updates as standing items on PSS agendas going forward.

[Action: HoCS Office]

4. Health & Well-being

JB provided information on the Health Check and assessment aspect of the current SCS Resilience offering provided through OHS and WELL. Details on how to arrange an appointment will issue shortly and JB encouraged all to take advantage of this.

[Action: Jill Minne]

5. Pay Policy Update

NG provided an update on the current position with regards the development of the Pay Policy.

6. Officially Sensitive report – NIPSA Litigation

JB highlighted a potential for conflict of interest. J Minne provided a high-level briefing on this matter and agreed to circulate a briefing, and would, as necessary speak with Perm Secs individually.

[Action: Jill Minne]