

## **Bulletin on the Board of Management Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2019**

The following is an update on the Board of Management of Oberstown Children Detention Campus meeting which took place on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

<b>Ref</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Summary</b>
1.	NSAI Presentation	The Board welcomed that the NSAI were on Campus to formally present certificates for ISO awards to the health & safety team and the catering manager.
2.	ICW	There was a discussion about the success of the Integrated Constructed Wetland (ICW) on Campus in light of ongoing concerns about odour. The Director agreed to bring this to the attention of the Department of Children and Youth Affairs to explore the best way forward.
3.	Governance, Finance and Risk Sub-committees.	<p>The draft IPA Review of Board Effectiveness has been received by the Chair and will be considered by the Governance Sub-committee before being placed on the agenda of the Board.</p> <p>A meeting took place between the Finance &amp; Audit Sub-committee and the office of the Comptroller and Auditor General to review the process of completing the 2017 Audited Accounts and to prepare for the 2018 audit. This was a productive meeting, building knowledge and understanding between Oberstown and the C&amp;AG.</p>
4.	Restrictive Practices	Further context has been provided to explain more fully the rationale behind the use of single separation, i.e. highlighting the risk associated with the use of any such practice. A decrease in single separation was noted for March 2019, with a significant drop over the past 12 months. This was welcomed by the Board.
5.	Trinity House	The Board received reports around the fire safety inspection & assessment on Units 1 & 2. There was discussion around the need for short term works and need to develop a longer term plan for these units (and the Campus estate as a whole). The Director undertook to progress these discussions with DCYA.
6.	Consultation Exercise on rules and policies	Cara Driscoll and Dr Louise Forde facilitated a consultation exercise with Board members around the draft rules and policies. Each Board member considered a rule and provided feedback as to whether the rule supported understanding of the matters addressed and were appropriately structured. Feedback from the Board was recorded by Dr. Forde and will be incorporated in to the final draft of the Campus rules to be brought to the May meeting for approval.
7.	Education Event	The Board was reminded of the Oberstown education event, 'Education – Closing the Gap for Children in Detention', taking place on 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2019 in Boswells Hotel.

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