

Bulletin on the Board of Management Meeting held on 18th November 2020

The following is a summary of the Board of Management of Oberstown Children Detention Campus meeting that took place via Zoom on Wednesday 18th November 2020.

Ref	Subject	Summary
1.	Transition & Succession Committee	The Transition & Succession Committee updated the Board on the recruitment process for the role of Director in members only format.
2.	Board Committees	<p>Audit & Risk Committee The minutes of the Audit & Risk Committee meeting of 5th November 2020 were noted by the Board. On the recommendation of the Audit & Risk Committee, the Board reviewed and approved all GDPR policies. The Board welcomed the presentation by the Interim Director of a Strategic Risk Register for the Board’s consideration. It was agreed that two risks would be considered in detail at each Board meeting. Management Accounts, detailing extra expenditure in both pay and non-pay due to Covid 19, were reviewed and the transparency of this expenditure was welcomed.</p> <p>Young People Committee The minutes of the Young People Committee meeting of 14th October 2020 were noted by the Board. The Committee reported that its meeting with two young people from the Campus Council was interesting and useful as a means to understand the Campus from the young person’s perspective. The Interim Director provided responses to some of the issues raised by the young people and this will be fed back to the young people at their next meeting with the Committee.</p> <p>The Board approved the Terms of Reference for the Committee.</p>
3.	Covid 19	As of 18 th November 2020, the Campus remains COVID free. During October 2020, one young person was tested (negative) for COVID-19. The Board was updated on the voluntary programme of rapid antibody and antigen testing for staff with Health Passport Ireland. There has been a significant uptake by staff which has provided a great degree of assurance and comfort. The ongoing efforts of all staff in this area were commended.
4.	Restrictive Practices	The Board expressed concern at a surge in single separations in October 2020 and discussed the underlying causes and steps taken in response. The Board welcomed the continuing reduction in Physical Interventions and that no handcuffs were used on Campus by Campus staff.
5.	Executive Engagement	As part of a schedule of Executive engagement with the Board, Aoife Rafferty, Chief People Officer, gave a presentation on her role and outlined her strategic vision for the Campus in this area explaining her priorities for 2020-2021. The Board welcomed the excellent presentation and commended the CPO on her strategic, insightful and pragmatic approach to the challenges faced by the organisation.

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