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FW Intro

① Minutes

Agreed?

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② COVID update.

DOH

3 people in ICU - lowest no for weeks

Average 50 admissions hospital per day.

Care home testing - staff/res.
90+ care homes clear.

ONS report - deaths in NI -

geography, age

↳ health professionals died - news to us.

Have done in-depth investigation -
2 retired nurses.

ONS report - broad spectrum -
incl caring - childcare, animal care
also undertakers, mortuary.

↳ does not incl front line staff.

FM Retired nurses?

DOH V wide spectrum
No front line workers

③ Actions

FM Sp note.

④ COVID Manage^m

↳ Review of Restrictions

DOH Epidemic not over, proceed with
caution.

In a good place

Recomm

No major changes today.

Also circulated R paper

- between 0.6 ÷ 0.9.

Published every week.

CMO

High % of []

Target

seek to achieve [] going well.

COVID admissions

No admissions - community acquired.

Comm. transmission at low level.

Confident - degree of forward advice.

Not out of this yet

Prepare for re-emergence of virus.

DAERA

In paper - impacts on health.

Identify those disadvantaged most
Markets to Malone Rd - life -
expectancy increased with every
mile.

Wd like to see how allied health
professionals can get back to
business.

DOH

Chf. Dental Officer writing to
dentists with guidance - part
open 29 June, full open end
July.

Board - general re-opening of
health.

Letter re restructuring.

CMO

Significant damage to health
service, health of population,

health inequalities.

Detailed plans - back on track -
screening services, elective care.
Mistake not to advise will be v
challenging.

Hospital environ^m - significant
outbreaks.

Increasingly likely - outbreaks,
test patients before surgery.

Time delays.

Pressing priority.

DAERA

Hospitals []. No point in
saving lives from COVID but lose
lives to sepsis, cancer etc. Get
hospitals back to capacity.

FM

Agree newsm?

Yes

Ease^m to Regs.

FM

Sp note

29 June - permissive date.

DFI

Concerning to receive paper after
start of Exec meeting

Not properly informed.

Defer to Monday?

How sits alongside Doh paper?

DDH No disparity between papers,
Indicative timings.
Working with DSO to review regs to make
things clearer.

CMO One position - Para 29 - CSA + CMO
view - based on transmission rates.
Capacity to tolerate R up to [2].
Balancing risk
More relaxations - cumulative impact
harder to assess.
CSA + 1 confident
Demand on healthcare services.
Happy to work on [1].
Indicative timings.
Working with TEO/DSO - cumulative
approach.

DFI Helpful to see advice given to TEO.
If we announce hardeners, families
will want certainty re visits.

CMO Valid point
Solicitors working flat out [?]
In consistencies - bars, restaurants, places
of worship.
Broad - families, communities
to public, inconsistencies will be
apparent.

DOJ Shd not be agreed today - expected

paper re roadmap.

Wish 4 expecting hairdressers to be included - they are v concerned re coming back, economic pressure. Paper v late.

How are these issues assessed?

Used to use protocol form - has this changed?

Need indicative times for whole roadmap.

By July - can do lot of things - hair, graveyard etc - but can't spend time with family/parents.

Don't understand how hair dresser is safer than family - no logic. Haven't given people advice on visits to family - outside is OK in good weather.

Real challenge

Skimmed paper during meeting. Presented as final paper - don't know if you have engaged with hair sector.

Wd like clarity re process - first time I have seen paper - how is it a final paper when I have not seen?

dfm

Understand family issues - agreed on Wbn - move to social interaction - made announce^{ment}

to be communicated.

K Pearson - paper re timings.

Strategic.

Keep people compliant, give light at end of tunnel

Families - cleaning.

This paper - gives hope - depends on science / medical whether we go ahead on date specified.

DFE

Will be guided by science / CMO.

Why wd we not tell people they are doing good job

Still accepting advice of CMO.

It is time to set out clearly.

Easeⁱⁿ we can make - why wd we not communicate.

DAERA

Families important.

This paper - CMO content.

Holding this paper back doesn't help families - need different paper to deal with families.

DOH

Got paper v late - haven't had time to consider.

Not holding paper back - but have Qs re how paper includes churches / hair

We have not addressed families issues.

Can't do social distancing in hair -

dresser, but can't hug sister.
Medical evidence - don't understand
how we can go to shop etc but
can't engage with families.
Don't understand inconsistency in
medical advice.
Why using headroom to open sector
but not help families.
Why priority - families.
Why this decision + not families.
People at the edge - can't cope
without childcare.
No objection to other issues - but
families most important. Also
paper dropped on us.

FM

Indicative dates.
Discussions will continue with
churches - CMO / churches.
Many churches - all-Ireland
basis.
Being given permissive authority
in ROI.
Engage^m with churches.

DFI * Want concerns minuted
No time to consider
Haven't seen CMO advice
Paper says nails etc - don't
know what that means.

FM Regs definition - nails [7]

DOJ Refs to nails, hair

dfm K Pearson work re sectors,

DOJ Haven't seen
Not good enough.
I shd see info at first hand
incl medical advice.
Hair, beauty - tanning, tattoos
- where do you draw line
- waxing?
Trying to understand why we
are
* Minute - shd have had paper
earlier; family issues shd
be addressed.

FM Agree reasons?

* Part 2 Reg 14 - specific

DOJ Propose Agree to circulate tables (dfm)
+ CMO advice K Pearson

DFI Second OK

↓
Indicative
Roadmaps
TEO

FM Table still in draft form
- happy to share

DOH Happy to share CMO advice.

K Pearson

Draft roadmap - ready next week.

Tattoos - Part 4, not part of this paper, separate restrictions.

Will circulate to POs - agree next week.

DOJ

Permanent eyebrows?
Give guidance - shouldn't do?

KP

Will clarify next week - grp of services.

DAERA

Want new eyebrows.

FW

Tks to Karen

* Subject to DOJ amends, agree Reconn?

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yes

Shielding.

DOH

Will need to decide when to communicate
Pause shielding advice from end July.

CMO - patient/client council -
2500 responses.

90,000 people shielding.

Will need £ support

DFC to continue [podbox?] service,

Recomm / advice - not in regs,
supported on Vol basis.

Spoke to Comm for Older People -
integrating shielders back into
society.

Assess who wd be eligible for letters
for re shielding if required.

FM

Good direction of travel - pause rather
than end

DOJ

Why approach to [] abandoned?
Cancer treat^m - heart conditions?

How are we communicating re
needs of people who have concerns re
high risk

Why broad approach rather than
risks to different categories?

DOH

Guidance which will issue will be
specific to different conditions.

CMO

We have not abandoned approach
- nuanced.

Using 'pausing' - expect second
wave COVID in Autumn.

Extensive research - risk assess^m of each case - GPs, hospitals etc if further shielding required - will be more specific rather than blanket approach

First letters issuing on Mon.

- Employers - duty of care, work from home.
 - Engage with GP/specialist/employer
- Concerns re public messaging - ask others to respect social distancing, Mental health impacts.

DFI

Important to speak to shielders

- another length of time.

Some afraid to go out.

Reassure

locked up - phobias re going out.

FM

People who are shielding can go out.

DOH

Yes, that ease^m was made.

Asked Comm for Older People to give same message.

Afraid of how society will react to them

CMO

People - fear of being institutionalised.

People want to go back to work - or never leave home.

Letter - lot of supports, mental well-being.

FM

Agree Recomm?

Yes

Childcare Recovery

DOH

Carries across DE + DOH

DE - people, policy

DOH - regulation.

Supports in place, next steps.

DOH point of view - content.

Finance

Support for childcare sector - v cumbersome. [BSO] working - will become more agile.

DE

Critical issue - align supply + demand.

Key workers - availability of service.

Childcare settings need volume to make viable.

Health + Safety - no max C I.

Infernal childminding

Ongoing support

Align^m with schools reopening.

Bespoke advice for nursery + pre-school. - shd be able to go ahead.

Schools reopening - impact on childcare sector

Inter-linkage with next paper.

Align^m - needs of people / childcare settings.

DOF

Financial support - we gave £12m
- ~~at~~ only £2m spent.

Bid for 13m.

Disappointing.

System for allocation too slow.

COVID money - needs to get out.

Bid for 13m - different assess^m.

Announced 12m - but has not been accessed.

Get more of it out?

DOH

(BSO)? picked up process - but not designed for quick admin.

600,000 paid, BSO additional staff - putting systems in place.

Childcare in own homes - v low uptake.

Need to get new scheme up + running taking forward.

DOF

Can be issue with invoicing / assess^m system.

Lessons to be learned.

DE

Fair point.

Double-edged sword - best access
cost less - good uptake but not a
large finance uptake.

In good position to come back.

Better delivery of future funding.

FM

Agree recomm? Yes

Ed Restart

DE

Ed restart at heart of range of things
- economic, societal. Young people.

Innovative actions, but longer
children are out of school, more
damage is being done.

Ed reach point - major problems,
reassess.

Everyone back full time - ideal option.

To give proper guidance - have to
decide in mid-June on potential
situation in Sept.

Work with HHA, CMO, CSA, DFI

- need better solutions eg. school
transport - will work with DFI.

Range of mitigations.

School meals

Drop off / pick-up.

Practical support - children with
vulnerable conditions.

Timetable

Extent to which we can reopen.

Discussion with T/union

Staff in w/c 17 Aug

Y7, 12 + 14 - in class from 24 Aug

Rest of school - 1st Sept.

Unions keen to get children back in.

Individual arrange^m

Social distancing

Prim + 1s 3 years post-prim -
social bubbles

Need teachers to deliver

Social distancing - upper levels post-
prim.

Argu^m - level of danger to children
much lower than older people.

Appropriate level of soc dist between
pupils, + between pupils + staff.

Class-rooms - 2m = 8/12 children

1m = 26 children.

Preferred option - 1m for children,
social bubbles

Additional level of safety - 2m
distance pupils/teachers.

Impact on attendance.

50% [].

PHA - 1m social distance, 2m teacher
+ social bubbles

⇒ wd allow full attendance.

% of schools - size of classrooms
- wd be restricted.

Huge difference - 2m / 1m.

Impact on childcare issues.

Guidance - schools shd be inventive,
use all space eg school halls.

Community support - church halls,
spill-over etc.

Note - overall provision.

Agree today, give guidance to schools
asap.

Plan to adopt 1m approach, subject to
prevailing med conditions.

DOF Heard that unions v sceptical re Aug
restart.

DE Concerns re 17 Aug -
Other jurisdictions - June / Aug restart
Originally suggested 17th (teachers
starting 10 Aug).

Spoke to all unions yesterday -
reached complete consensus.

Teaching staff - 17th (+ some non-
teaching)

Learning / students - w/e 24th.

All agreed, absolute consensus.

DOF Just wanted to check,

Support

look at social distancing - children.

DE Solution for Primary + first 3

years post-prim.
6-year-olds - won't social distance,
but use social bubbles.
Awareness of social distancing.

DOJ Secondary schools - changing
classes.
Presume Teachers will change class.

DE Detailed guidance - comes back
to minimal contact, moveth around
schools.
Surfaces, hygiene
Not just distance, length of time -
minimize.

DFC Guidance - portakabins
School transport.

DE Further work to be done - DE/DFI.
Disjoint - bus / classroom.
Need to align
Those furthest away to be prioritized.
Ongoing discussion.
Portakabins.
Smaller space.
Disparity - old-style portakabins/
modern modular classrooms.
School estate - modular classrooms
wd be better.
Use Assembly halls - state of

schools estate - won't be able to accommodate every child every day.
School / church hall - ways to find more space.
But won't be watertight - but move towards normality.

DFI School transport - work ongoing.
Consultation - Principals / staff - not enough discussion.

DE Practitioner Grp - 20 Principals etc.
Unions.
Had as much engage^m as poss.
But some discussion papers / options leaked to media - not helpful.
Getting resolved
Compatibility

DFI Remote learning - difficult.
Return to work early. - stressed.

DE Meeting with unions - full consensus.
Im social distancing
Vast bulk of teaching in classrooms
- minimal amt of remote learning.
Will need curriculum [] across jurisdictions.

DOF Bringing back P7s early - prep for
~~PTT~~? Against policy.
Transfer Test

Children in deprived areas - not good school facilities - Reinforce^m of disadvantage.
Schools in poorer areas.
Access^m of intervention needed to avoid further deprivation.

DE

Cohorts

All being taught same curriculum
P7 - final year of Primary,
transition year.

Broad agree^m of unions - P7,
focus on curriculum.

Disadvantage - not sure whether state of school estate is [],
Rural areas - older school estate,
below sustainable level.

Happy to co-ordinate - temp
acrom to make more space, happy
to work with DOF,

Structures nearby cd help eg
church hall

Mitigation where poss.

Vast bulk of pupils in class most
of time.

DOF

Assess^m from DE where most
deprived schools are

DE

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Happy to provide - I think
urban/rural divide. Need

headroom on cap side.
will discuss with DOF/DE

FM Agree recomm?

Summer Activities.

- DE Summer + beyond.
Summer schemes
[Breaks] for key workers
Change provision for key workers.
Youth workers - key workers.
Helpful suggestions - Youth Ref Gp.
Summer interventions - at risk
children - diversionary.
limited summer schemes - EIA,
Youth service - schemes focused on
key workers/vulnerable children,
Youth service
Uniform orgs
Private sector - small schemes
compatible with health advice / social
distancing.
Key role - EIA - facilitate key
workers.
Level of intervention
3 elements
- provision of virtual / online
project
- schools summer schemes for
own pupils - not asking schools

to do this, but if school has plan,
small level of support to help;
- Engage Prog - deprived areas,
teaching support - Oct / end of
academic year - signature
project.

Costing - most - 10/11m - areas of
support in next school year -
additional teaching support

- Holiday Hunger - extension of free
school meals - financial support
£12.5m - some children in FE
colleges.

- bid to keep this going.

- with DfC - Eat Well, Live Well - if
goes forward over summer - hot
meals twice a day

3000/5000 children.

vulnerable children - ensure they
are fed.

£400,000 over summer.

DOJ

Totally on board

Yth Ref Grp - good if Yth Justice
Agency + Police can be involved,

Meeting with Bfs City Council -

X anti-social behaviour - pleased
to hear of your proposal.

DE

Happy to engage with YJA + FNI.

FM Agree Recomm? (Yes)

Business / Planning Bill

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COVID other business

DOJ

Youth Press Conference - COVID?
Good time to deal with youth/
school issues.

FM

Sp note - line to take.
EIS taking forward.

Procure^{W1}

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Fm - Agree recess? (Yes)

Ad Hoc Comm

dFm Sp note.

DOF Recess - still emergency.
Depts etc - breathing space,
agree Aug shd be recess - with
ability to reconvene.

Tues/Wed sitting - happy

DOF Wd prefer to continue right through,
- urgent issues delayed by COVID.

Tues/Wed - concur. Shdn't
spend Sunday working for Exec
papers.

If we agree Tues/Wed, have
Exec @ 12.00 noon

Get papers cleared by Fri.
Need consideration.

dFm Will respond to Speaker.

Other issues
Arms Length Bodies

DOF

DOH

DOF

dFM

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AFM

Content.

COVID

DOH

Agree^m to publicize CMO
papers incl Exec papers
HOCS to provide guidance on what
we can publish?

HOCS

OK

Airports Paper

DOF

Wd like paper on agenda -
Support for CODA ends in June
- need to take decision urgently
- depts not taking responsibility /
ownership
CODA may not operate beyond
end of month.
As from DFE,
- 3-meeting rule per Mon.

Next Meeting Mon @ 12

Special meeting next Thurs.

Meeting adjourned.