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**Subject**: URGENT PL - Executive meeting - COVID 19 strategy

Attachments: DOH response update to the Executive draft COVID 19 strategy 8 April.pdf

Importance: High

David

The integration of the DOH strategy into the Executive strategy has not progressed as quick as we had originally hoped or intended. The attached response from the DOH Minister refers.

I have spoken to NR and advised that the Minister's response does not accord with the Executive decision that key elements of the Health strategy should be integrated into the Executive strategy. She has agreed to consider and speak to DOH policy officials and we are to speak again next week.

The line we included in the submission to FM/dFM and the covering Executive paper in relation to this issue is that discussions are ongoing with DOH re the integration of key elements of the DOH strategy into the Executive strategy. We have included in the version of the strategy being considered today the one line proposed by DOH but there are gaps in RAG rating/owners etc for those priorities which were originally allocated to DOH.

I appreciate this is not ideal but hope the approach we have taken allows for constructive discussion today at least. The Chairs brief will suggest Ministers hand over to you for this agenda item and I have included below some points you may wish to cover in relation to this version of the strategy.

Happy to speak as necessary

NR

## Speaking note/points to cover

The revised strategy circulated to Ministers includes updates from Departments.

It also includes an updated summarised set of planning assumptions and a timescale column indicating whether the priority is a short, medium or long-term one.

Discussions are ongoing with DOH regarding the integration of key elements of the Health strategy into the Executive strategy [as agreed previously by the Executive] and work continues on identifying and refining the metrics to support the Executive priorities.