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Garda Trainee Steering Group 01st February 2023

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2.	AGS Timeline	
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	Authority, DPER, Dept Justice)
7. Garda Reserves	
Preparation for next recruitme	ent competition
9. Outreach	
10. AOB	
DISCUSSION THEMES	
1. PAS Stages	 Batch 8 –Interviews 30th Jan – 10th Feb, 201 attended, names w/c 20th Feb
	 Batch 9 – Late Feb interviews, 403 confirmed Batch 10 – Late March interviews, 419 invited 13th Feb – Interview training
2. AGS Timeline	• 72 accepted
3. PCT	 Next PCT February – 70 candidates March approx. 200
4. Medical	New medical vendor
5. Drug Testing	No update
7. Ongoing Engagement with Appointment Pool	 In continuous contact with applicants Issued invite for PCT Feb
8. Partner Engagement (Policing Authority, DPER, Dept Justice)	All partners up to date
9. Garda Reserves	No update
10. Preparation for next recruitment competition	10 volunteers for ad campaign
11. AOB	N/A

ACTIONS	
PM & BM	Update on buddy system
EG	Cost of Inspectors
	Project Code for interviews
	Next Meeting Wednesday 08th February 9am

Garda Trainee Steering Group 25th January 2023

Name	Title
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	Garda Reserves	
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	Outreach	
10.	AOB	-

1. PAS Stages	 Batch 7 – Interviews 10th – 13th, 82 candidates, 71 attended, 58 successful, 52 names received Batch 8 –Interviews 30th Jan – 10th Feb, 224 completed applications Batch 9 – Late Feb interviews, 400 interviews a month
2. AGS Timeline	• 72 accepted
3. PCT	 Next PCT February 503 tested 38% failure rate 22% no show rate
4. Medical	New medical vendor
5. Drug Testing	No update
7. Ongoing Engagement with Appointment Pool	In continuous contact with applicants
8. Partner Engagement (Policing Authority, DPER, Dept Justice)	All partners up to date
9. Garda Reserves	 Regs completed from AGS, Justice working on them End of year complete, launch December 2023
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10. Preparation for next recruitment competition	 Met with PAS re March Launch, PAS to confirm Met with advertising agency, ready mid February

ACTIONS	
DF	Inspectors for panels
PM & BM	Buddy piece Timeline for completion of PCT video
	Confirm no issue with handover of Medical files
EG	Cost of having inspectors on boards
	Next Meeting Wednesday 01st February 9am

Garda Trainee Steering Group 18th January 2023

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1. PAS Process – Current Status	
2. AGS Timeline	
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Process of expediting outstan	ding applications from previous competitions	
6. Partner Engagement (Policing	g Authority, DPER, Dept Justice)	
7. Garda Reserves		
8. Preparation for next recruitme	ent competition	
9. Outreach		
10. AOB		
DISCUSSION THEMES		
1. PAS Stages	 Batch 7 – Interviews 10th – 13th, 82 candidates, Names w/c 23/01/23 	
	 Batch 8 – 226 invited, Interviews 30th Jan – 10th Feb, 224 completed applications 	
	 400 to be invited to interview end of March and 400 to be invited to interview end of April, this level to continue throughout 2023 	
	1112 invited to do written report	
	 15th May next intake after February intake 	
2. AGS Timeline	 56 accepted, 6 deferrals, 7 TBC and 1 withdrawn for Feb intake 	
3. PCT	 100 invited to PCT on Thursday19th /Friday 20th January 	
4. Medical	Continued updates with Vendor and IT 20 Medicals	
5. Drug Testing	No update	
7. Ongoing Engagement with	 In continuous contact with applicants 	
Appointment Pool	In contact with candidates re PCT appeals	
8. Partner Engagement (Policing Authority, DPER, Dept Justice)		
9. Garda Reserves	Regs completed from AGS, Justice working on them End of year complete, launch December 2023	
10. Preparation for next recruitment competition	 Met with PAS re March Launch, PAS to confirm Met with advertising agency, ready mid February 	
11. AOB	N/A	

ACTIONS		
EG	•	To organise online focus session with, Assistant Commissioners, Chief Superintendents and Superintendents to develop ideas.
	•	Next Meeting Wednesday 25th January, 9am

Garda Trainee Steering Group 11th January 2023

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	Partner Engagement (Policing Authority, DPER, Dept Justice)
	Garda Reserves
3.	Preparation for next recruitment competition

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DISCUSSION THEMES	
1. PAS Stages	 Batch 7 – Interviews 10th – 13th, 82 candidates, Names w/c 23/01/23 Batch 8 – 226 invited, Interviews 30th Jan – 10th Feb, 224 completed applications 1812 left in pool after interviews Written exercise to commence end of Jan
2. AGS Timeline	 56 accepted, 6 deferrals, 7 TBC and 1 withdrawn for Feb intake
3. PCT	 3 dates this week 140 offered, 127 confirmed, 96 showed up. 61 passed, 35 failed
4. Medical	 New contract to be in place by end of the month
5. Drug Testing	No update
7. Ongoing Engagement with Appointment Pool	 In continuous contact with applicants In contact with candidates re PCT appeals
8. Partner Engagement (Policing Authority, DPER, Dept Justice)	 All partners up to date Data for Feb intake not yet shared as too early in process
	Regs completed from AGS, Justice working on them
9. Garda Reserves	
9. Garda Reserves 10. Preparation for next recruitment competition	

ACTIONS	
JR	What are plans around newly attested and drug testing
	Breakdown of vetting
YC	Formal correspondence from PAS re Q1
AML	Update next meeting Ad Campaign
0.000	Next Meeting Wednesday 18th January, 9am

Garda Trainee Steering Group 04th January 2023

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Ms Áine Gray	Principal Psychologist HRPD

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7.	Garda Reserves	
8.	Preparation for next recruitment competition	
9.	Outreach	

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DISCUSSION THEMES	
1. PAS Stages	No update
2. AGS Timeline	 46 invitations out to candidates, 36 accepted, 5 deferrals and 5 tbc
3. PCT	 PCTS scheduled Wed 4th to Sat 7th approx. 140 candidates Scheduled 19th & 20th January
4. Medical	New contract to be in place by end of the month
5. Drug Testing	No update, draft regs still with AG
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7. Ongoing Engagement with Appointment Pool	In continuous contact with applicants
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Appointment Pool 8. Partner Engagement (Policing Authority, DPER, Dept Justice)	 All partners up to date Data for Feb intake not yet shared as too early in process Meetings held with Dpt Justice – they currently are finalising

ACTIONS	
	Profile how long current PAS pool is likely
, ÉG & RM	Develop plan for increase in panels
DF & MC	Resourcing into Vetting
ÉG	Circulate deep dive around outreach
	Next Meeting Wednesday 11th January, 9am

Garda Trainee Steering Group 21st December 2022

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6. Partner Engagement (Policing	
7. Garda Reserves	,
8. Preparation for next recruitme	ent competition
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DISCUSSION THEMES	
 PAS Stages Batch 5 received 96 names from PAS Batch 6, 96 successful, received 91 names from PA 	
2. AGS Timeline	• 31 offers for February, 23 have accepted, 5 to comeback & 3 Educational deferrals
3. PCT	 PCTS to be scheduled from Batch 5/6 in January – 4,5,6,9,10,11th dates available
4. Medical	Meeting with company and hope to have contract ready for January
5. Drug Testing	No update, draft regs still with AG
7. Ongoing Engagement with Appointment Pool	 In continuous contact with applicants PAS are contacting applicants who have not responded on
	boards
8. Partner Engagement (Policing Authority, DPER, Dept Justice)	
8. Partner Engagement (Policing	 All partners up to date New Minister for Justice has been briefed
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ACTIONS	
Add outreach to agenda	
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	Add outreach to agenda Next Meeting Wednesday 4 th January, 9am

Garda Trainee Steering Group 15th December 2022

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Garda Reserves	
8. Preparation for next recruitme	ent competition
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DISCUSSION THEMES	
1. PAS Stages	 1193 called to report writing stage, 789 attended, 772 passed will be interviewed in January 1855 called to report writing in February Interviews Batch 5 held 29th Nov-2nd Dec, 108 successful, received 101 names Interviews Batch 6 held 5th – 9h Dec, 137 invited, 113 attended, 95 successful, names will be received by Friday
2. AGS Timeline	 To date 391 candidates successful from PAS 243 passed PCT, 74 to complete PCT, 74 failed PCT 75 passed medicals, 29 deferrals, 71 to be completed, 67 awaiting results
3. PCT	 Batch 4 going through process, final group on Friday Failure rate 37% higher than expected
4. Medical	No Update
5. Drug Testing	No Update
7. Ongoing Engagement with Appointment Pool	In continuous contact with applicants
8. Partner Engagement (Policing	A 11
Authority, DPER, Dept Justice)	 All partners up to date Meeting with Pas formal request to launch in Feb 2023
Authority, DPER, Dept Justice)	Meeting with Pas formal request to launch in Feb 2023
	 Meeting with Pas formal request to launch in Feb 2023

ACTIONS	
	Next Meeting Wednesday 21st December 9am

Garda Trainee Steering Group 07th December 2022

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8. Preparation for next recruits	ment competition
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DISCUSSION THEMES	
1. PAS Stages	 1193 called to report writing stage, 790 attended Interviews held 28th Nov-1st Dec, 149 invited, 128 attended, 108 successful Names to be provided early next week Further batch to be interviewed
2. AGS Timeline	 To date 391 candidates successful from PAS 243 passed PCT, 74 to complete PCT, 74 failed PCT 75 passed medicals, 29 deferrals, 71 to be completed, 67 awaiting results
3. PCT	 Batch 4 going through process, final group on Friday Failure rate 37% higher than expected
4. Medical	 18 Forms back from CMO, to be offered place in Feb Intake, 1 deferral, CMO & Procurement met with OPG, confirmed ability to carry out medicals Dr Ovu to discuss with company how information to be provided to AGS
5. Drug Testing	No Update – Active Engagement
7. Ongoing Engagement with Appointment Pool	In continuous contact with applicants
8. Partner Engagement (Policing Authority, DPER, Dept Justice)	 Briefing to Justice complete Meeting with PAS planned this week Meeting with group of partners this week
9. Garda Reserves	Meeting re REGS update this week Chief Superintendent P Jones now on team
10. Preparation for next recruitment competition	 Request to PAS to exhaust all opportunities to secure maximum uplift in applicants Engagement ongoing with external agent – advertising approach Next Newsbeat edition to invite members to take part in advert for new campaign
11. AOB	

ACTIONS



Garda Trainee Steering Group 30th November 2022

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	Garda Reserves		

8. Preparation for next recruitn	nent competition
9. AOB	
DISCUSSION THEMES	
1. PAS Stages	 Batch 5 interviews underway 25th Nov-1st December, 149 candidates invited to interview Batch 6 Interviews 5th – 9th December, 137 candidates invited to interview Batch 5/6 successful applicants names to be provided by PAS w/c 12th December
2. AGS Timeline	 92 entered Training college Look to next recruitment for February – 200 figure
3. PCT	Ready to schedule next batch
4. Medical	Procurement progressing
5. Drug Testing	No change
7. Ongoing Engagement with Appointment Pool	In continuous contact with applicants
8. Partner Engagement (Policing Authority, DPER, Dept Justice)	Updated on numbers
9. Garda Reserves	 Internal meet scheduled Further Regulations meeting planned with the Department of Justice scheduled
10. Preparation for next recruitment competition	 Meeting planned with PAS with respect to additional resources./supports required to scale up level of interviews scheduled
11. AOB	Outreach to organisation re update on recruitment

ACTIONS	
GM	To provide procurement update next meeting
All	 Provide stats – what's in the pipeline for phase 2 of the process
& ÉG	Lessons learned
	 Next Meeting Wednesday 07th December 9 – 9.30 am

Garda Trainee Steering Group 23rd November 2022

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	Garda Reserves	

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8. Preparation for next recruits 9. AOB	ment competition
DISCUSSION THEMES	
1. PAS Stages	 Batch 5 interviews now scheduled for 25th Nov-1st December, 149 candidates invited to interview Batch 6 Interviews 5th – 9th December, 137 candidates invited to interview Batch 5/6 successful applicants to be provided from PAS 12th
	-16 th December YC engaging with PAS re new competition
2. AGS Timeline	To date 429 candidates successful from PAS
	• 260 passed PCT, 114 to complete PCT, 55 failed PCT
	• 142 passed medicals, 31 deferrals, 16 to be
	completed, 70 awaiting results
	• Of those 142,
	offers to intake
3. PCT	 Batch 4 Schedule to Garda College 23rd November
4. Medical	OGP responded Formally
6 Dung Testing	Finance & CMO to meet for with OGP to discuss
5. Drug Testing	No change
	Deputy Coxon to meet with Justice in coming weeks
7. Ongoing Engagement with	In continuous contact with applicants
Appointment Pool	Numbers at 86
	 24th November cut off point for invites to college
8. Partner Engagement (Policing	Department Justice updated daily
Authority, DPER, Dept Justice)	 Commissioner meeting with Justice on Friday 25th November re February intake
	Policing Authority updated
	DPER updated
	 A press release through Andrew McLindon in tandem with Justice for intake on Monday 28th November
9. Garda Reserves	 Meeting held and further meetings to be held with Department Justice
10 December 1	To be included in comms for Garda Trainee Competition
10. Preparation for next recruitment competition	YC to have further meet with CEO PAS Society of Street of St
oser attituent competition	Senior staff member to focus on PAS Review lessons learned from this competition, penalting
	 Review lessons learned from this competition, pencil in session with from AGS & PAS perspective
	Andrew McLindon has been in contact with an Advertising
	Company
The same of the sa	Making a difference will continue to be key
11. AOB	Outreach to organisation re update on recruitment

ACTIONS

	Next Meeting Wednesday 30 th November 9am
E.G/	 To liaise with Andrew McLindon or member of his team and Ministers team re comms for intake numbers on the 28th November

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8.	Preparation for next recruitment competition

9. AOB	
DISCUSSION THEMES	
1. PAS Stages	 Batch 3 Report writing this week Batch 4 interviews started Batch 5 interviews now scheduled for 25th Nov-1st December Batch 6 Interviews 5th – 9th December Engagement with PAS to increase numbers to increase batch sizes
2. AGS Timeline	 To date 361 candidates returned Form B Out of B3: 180 passed PCT, 41 Failed, of that 111 passed medical, 26 deferred, results
3. PCT	Batch 3 complete Failure rate 25%
4. Medical	 Finance to check with OGP – ability to draw down from existing framework
	No change
7. Ongoing Engagement with Appointment Pool	 In continuous contact with applicants Numbers at 68 21st November cut off point for invites to college
8. Partner Engagement (Policing Authority, DPER, Dept Justice)	 YC & JN met and briefed Minister YC keeping Mary McKenna (DOJ) updated daily YC meeting CEO of PAS this week to discuss new competition, dedicated support between AGS, PAS, DPER
9. Garda Reserves	 Work ongoing on Regulations YC holding meeting with partners to discuss
10. Preparation for next recruitment competition	YC met with Andrew McLindon to discuss campaign promotion
11. AOB	Nothing

ACTIONS		
YC		To liaise with Andrew McLindon or member of his team and Ministers team re comms for intake numbers on the 28 th November
	•	Next Meeting Wednesday 23 rd November 9am

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PAS Stages AGS Timeline	 Batch 3 Report writing this week 1193 invited to report writing Batch 4 interviews started, 199 scheduled Batch 5 interviews now scheduled for 25th Nov-1st December Batch 6 Interviews 5th – 9th December Engagement with PAS to increase numbers to Batch 5/6 & logistics of same To date 361 candidates returned Form B Out of B3: 180 passed PCT, 41 Failed, of that 111 passed medical, 26 deferred, 2 unprocessed, 42 awaiting
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3. PCT	115 scheduled this week
	(C)
4. Medical	 Dr Ovo updated there may be an OGP framework that may be utilised
5. Drug Testing	 JR corresponded with the Dept Justice to enquire when regs would be ready
7. Ongoing Engagement with Appointment Pool	Update to be provided next week
8. Partner Engagement (Policing Authority, DPER, Dept Justice)	 Brief given to Commissioner EG briefed Mary McKenna (DOJ) YC keeping PA updated
9. Garda Reserves	Work ongoing on Regulations
10. Preparation for next recruitment competition	 PAS have been advised that AGS are seeking to launch a new competition in Q1 2023.
11. AOB	 Meeting with Andrew McLindon for new campaign as to how we will visually promote it.

ACTIONS	
JL	 Andrew McLindon or member of his team to attend meetings for new competition and advertising of same
	Alert Finance re new campaign
DF	 To ensure applicants successful in Irish Stream are place in Gaeltacht areas
EG	To provide update to group on applicant numbers
	Next Meeting Wednesday 17th November 9am

Garda Trainee Steering Group 04th November 2022

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PAS Stages AGS Timeline	 Batch 3 Report writing this week 1193 invited for interview Batch 4 interviews started, 199 scheduled Batch 5 interviews now scheduled for 25th Nov-1st December Batch 6 Interviews 5th – 9th December Engagement with PAS to increase numbers to Batch 5/6 & logistics of same Invites - 39 accepted, 2 deferred, 8 outstanding 4 medicals only
3. PCT	 Scheduling next batch for next week
4. Medical	 Dr Ovu & Finance met to discuss contract for new service RFT not developed yet 12-14 weeks to get contract in place Business case required for new contract Use existing arrangement in place with company until new contract secured
5. Drug Testing	No update
7. Ongoing Engagement with Appointment Pool	Ongoing
8. Partner Engagement (Policing Authority, DPER, Dept Justice)	 Partner agencies up to date YC met with CEO of PAS, with request for 400 applicants to be interviewed over a four-week period ramping up next year. This will only be achieved with dedicated AGS staffing and demonstrably increasing the size of interview panels. Further meetings to ensue.
9. Garda Reserves	Work ongoing on Regulations
10. Preparation for next recruitment competition 11. AOB	 PAS have been advised that AGS are seeking to launch a new competition in Q1 2023. Meeting with Andrew McLindon for new campaign as to how we will visually promote it.

•	Gail Malone to be invited to meetings	
	Next Meeting Wednesday 9th November 9am	
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Garda Trainee Steering Group 21st October 2022

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	ing outstanding applications from previous competitions	
	nt (Policing Authority, DPER, Dept Justice)	
7. Garda Reserves		
8. Preparation for nex	t recruitment competition	
9. AOB		
DISCUSSION THEME	S	
1. PAS Stages	Batch 3 Interviewed	
	 154 scheduled, 120 passed 	
	 23 Irish stream scheduled, 16 passed 	
	• Total 136	

	117 names from PAS
	19 o/s quals
2. AGS Timeline	 Combined class November 28th
	 30 candidate passed all elements to date
	 1st round offers to issue 28th Oct
	 2nd round offers to issue 4th Nov
3. PCT	 In progress
4. Medical	No update
5. Drug Testing	No update
Appointment Pool	Oligonia
7. Ongoing Engagement with	 Ongoing
8. Process of expediting	 Pool of 5, 3 definite
8. Process of expediting outstanding applications from	 Pool of 5, 3 definite
	• Pool of 5, 3 definite
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ACTIONS		
ND	•	Invite Gail Malone, Finance to next meeting to provide update re procurement on Medicals
	•	Next Meeting Wednesday 26th October 9am

Garda Trainee Steering Group 26th October 2022

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6.	Partner Engagement (Policing Authority, DPER	R. Dent Justice)	
	Garda Reserves		
8.	Preparation for next recruitment competition		
	AOB		
DISC	CUSSION THEMES		
1. PA	AS Stages • Batch 3 Inte	erviewed	

	32
	 120 successful 114 names from PAS 6 o/s quals 16 Irish stream successful 14 Names from PAS 2 o/s quals Total 128 names Batch 4 interviews started, 172 scheduled, 10 Iirsh stream Batch 5 & 6 Interviews December
2. AGS Timeline	 Combined class November 28th 33 candidate passed all elements to date 1st round offers to issue 28th Oct 2nd round offers to issue 4th Nov Focus on 1 / 2 elements o/s for applicants
3. PCT	Completed to date, awaiting next batch
4. Medical	No update secured for this meeting
5. Drug Testing	No update
7. Ongoing Engagement with Appointment Pool	Ongoing
8. Process of expediting outstanding applications from previous competitions	To take off agenda going forward
9. Partner Engagement (Policing Authority, DPER, Dept Justice)	 Taoiseach, DPER & Justice up to date Review to be carried out with PAS – lessons learned from this campaign
10. Garda Reserves	Work ongoing
11. Preparation for next recruitment competition	Work ongoing
12. AOB	• N/A

		Meet with	PAS ay 04th November 9am	
YC				
YC, EG &	•	Discuss next Recruitment campaign Q1		
ND	•	Invite Gail Malone, Finance to next meeting to provide update re procurement on Medicals		