Notice of Appointments: Position Available

As advertised on publicjobs.ie, on behalf of Public Appointments Service

Tusla, the Child and Family Agency, are currently looking for an Area Manager for Dublin Mid Leinster. The Area Manager will oversee delivery of a range of Child and Family Agency services to the Dublin South Central Region.

The requirements for the position are as follows:

“Relevant 3rd level qualification
AND
Have a minimum of 3 years’ experience at senior management level.”

Applications close at 12pm on Thursday 24 November 2016. More information can be found [here](#).

Wednesday 16 November

A new Director General has been appointed to the Irish Farmers’ Association (IFA). Damian McDonald is currently the CEO of Horse Sport Ireland.

He will begin in his role in 2017.

It has been one year since the previous Director General, Pat Smith, resigned from the position.

Popular vote for Lord Mayor proposed

On Tuesday, the Dáil will discuss a Private Members’ Bill introduced by Fianna Fáil – the Local Government Reform (Amendment) (Directly Elected Mayor of Dublin) Bill 2016.

While currently, the Lord Mayor of Dublin is elected by the City Councillors at the Annual Meeting of the City Council, this Bill would aim to change that.

The Bill is described as

“An Act to enable the holding of a plebiscite for the election of a directly elected mayor of Dublin”.

You can view the Bill [here](#).

Committee considers Health Amendments

Thursday’s Committee Meetings will see the review of the Health (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2016.

The Bill provides for a number of amendments to previous legislation, including the Irish Medicines Board Act 1995 and the Nursing Homes Support Scheme Act 2009. It will also:

• “amend the Health (Pricing and Supply of Medical Goods) Act 2013 so that over-the-counter medicinal products, including emergency contraception and nicotine replacement products, can continue to be reimbursed to medical card holders”;
• “amend the Public Health (Standardised Packaging of Tobacco) Act 2015” in order to reduce the misleading of customers about the negative health risks of smoking, in order to improve the health of the nation.

You can view the Bill [here](#).
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Forthcoming Regulation of Counsellors and Psychotherapists in Ireland
Dr Ken Germaine and Dr Tim Groenland
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Tom Ferris
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Dr Sarah Jane Cullinane
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Conference

PAI’s Annual Procurement Conference:
Practical Challenges in Public Procurement

Topics to be included
• Government priorities in public procurement
• Strategic public procurement
• Efficient procurement and e-invoicing
• Procurement and innovation
• Impact of Brexit on Public Procurement in Ireland

Keynote speaker: Paul Quinn, Chief Procurement Officer at the Office of Government Procurement

More info here
The Public Service Pay Commission –
a new approach or a return to benchmarking?

Keynote speaker: Paschal Donohoe TD, Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform

As a background to all the current media attention around reopening public service pay negotiations, the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, Paschal Donohoe, TD has announced the establishment of a Public Service Pay Commission (PSPC) to “examine pay levels across the public service, including entry levels of pay.” Mr Kevin Duffy has been appointed as Chairman of the Commission.

Minister Donohoe will open our Annual HR Conference, which will focus on issues relating to Public Service pay and will hear from a range of different perspectives on this issue. Minister Donohoe will deliver the keynote address. No doubt other more current issues may arise at the conference as well.

Speakers will address some of the issues around pay and will have contributions from union and employer sides as well as examining some of the IR, economic and legal issues involved in addressing public service pay issues. This practically focused conference will be of keen interest to all public servants, particularly those involved in HR, IR and corporate services functions.

Speakers will include

Paschal Donohoe TD, Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform
Kieran Mulvey, former Head of the LRC/WRC
Tom Healy, Director of the Nevin Economic Research Institute (NERI)
Michelle Ni Longain, partner at ByrneWallace
Patricia Callan, Director of the Small Firms Association (SFA)
Bill Roche, professor of IR and HR at UCD’s School of Business
Tuesday 22 November

2.00 p.m.
Leaders' Questions (FF, SF, Lab, AAA-PBP) (32 mins)
SO 34 (if any)

2.32 p.m.
Order of Business (30 mins)
Motion re. Joint Committee on Public Petitions (without debate)
Motion re. Leave to introduce Supplementary Estimates (without debate) (Department of Public Expenditure and Reform)
Motion re. Referral of Supplementary Estimates to Select Committee (without debate) (subject to leave to introduce being given)
Motion re. Financial Resolution for Health Insurance (Amendment) Bill 2016 (without debate)

3.02 p.m.
Taoiseach’s Questions (45 mins)

3.47 p.m.
RQs: Oral - Minister for Social Protection (90 mins)

5.17 p.m.
Topical Issues (48 mins)
Private Notice Question (if any)

6.05 p.m.
Government Business (115 mins)
Finance Bill 2016 – Order for Report, Report and Final Stages (Department of Finance)

8.00 p.m.
Private Members Business (Fianna Fáil) (120 mins)
Local Government Reform (Amendment) (Directly Elected Mayor of Dublin) Bill 2016

10.00 p.m.
Dáil Adjourns

Wednesday 23 November

10.00 a.m.
Government Business
Finance Bill 2016 - Report and Final Stages

12.00 p.m.
Leaders’ Questions (FF, SF, Lab, AAA-PBP) (32 mins)
SO 34 (if any)

12.32 p.m.
Questions on Promised Legislation (15 mins)

12.47 p.m.
Taoiseach’s Questions (45 mins)

1.32 p.m.
RQs: Oral - Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade (90 mins)

3.02 p.m.
Topical Issues (48 mins)
Private Notice Question (if any)

3.50 p.m.
SOS (40 mins)

4.30 p.m. Private Members Business (Social Democrats-Green Party Group) (120 mins)
Local Government (Mayor and Regional Authority of Dublin) Bill 2016 – Second Stage

6.30 p.m.
Government Business (210 mins)
Finance Bill 2016 – Report and Final Stages (resumed)
Social Welfare Bill 2016 – Order for Report and Report and Final Stages (Department of Social Protection)

10.00 p.m.
Dáil Adjourns

Thursday 24 November

10.00 a.m.
Government Business

12.00 p.m.
Leaders’ Questions (FF, SF, I4C, RIG) (32 mins)
SO 34 (if any)

12.32 p.m.
Questions on Promised Legislation (15 mins)
Motion re. Leave to introduce Supplementary Estimates (without debate) (Department of Public Expenditure and Reform)
Motion re. Referral of Supplementary Estimates to Select Committee (without debate) (subject to leave to introduce being given)

12.47 p.m.
Government Business
Social Welfare Bill 2016 – Report and Final Stages (resumed)
RQs: Oral -Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform (90 mins)
Topical Issues (48 mins)
Private Notice Question (if any)
Private Members’s Bill (120 mins)
Thirty-fifth Amendment of the Constitution (Neutrality) Bill 2016 - Second Stage

7.48 p.m.
Dáil Adjourns
This week in Seanad Éireann

Tuesday 22 November

2.30 p.m.
Commencement Matters

3.30 p.m.
Order of Business
Motion regarding Joint Committee on Public Petitions - without Debate

4.45 p.m.
Statements on the Horticulture Industry (Minister of State at the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine)

6.15 p.m.
Statute Law Revision Bill 2016 - Committee & Remaining Stages (Department of Public Expenditure and Reform)

Wednesday 23 November

10.30 a.m.
Commencement Matters

11.30 a.m.
Order of Business

12.45 p.m.
Planning and Development (Housing) and Residential Tenancies Bill 2016 - Committee Stage (Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government)

4.30 p.m.
Private Members Business
Micro Plastic and Micro-bead Pollution Prevention Bill 2016 - Second Stage- (Senators Grace O’Sullivan, Lynn Ruane, Alice-Mary Higgins)

6.30 p.m.
Seanad Adjourns

Thursday 24 November

10.30 a.m.
Commencement Matters

11.30 a.m.
Order of Business

12.45 p.m.
Statements on Mental Health Funding (Minister of State for Mental Health and Older People)

1.35 p.m.
Planning and Development (Housing) and Residential Tenancies Bill 2016 - Report and Final Stages (Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government)
Tuesday 22 November

Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs (Joint)
CR1, LH 2000 9 a.m.
AGENDA: Examination of the merits of the licensing of Medicinal Cannabinoids [Ms. Lorraine Nolan, Health Products Regulatory Authority; Dr. Colin Doherty, Consultant Neurologist, St James’s Hospital; and Ms. Vera Twomey, a concerned parent]

Public Accounts
CR3, LH 2000 9 a.m.
AGENDA: Examination of C&AG Special Report 94: National Asset Management Agency’s sale of Project Eagle (resumed) [Mr. Frank Daly, Chairman; Mr. Brendan McDonagh, CEO]

Finance, Public Expenditure and Reform, and Taoiseach (Joint)
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Justice and Equality (Joint)
CR2, LH 2000 9 a.m.
AGENDA: Private Meeting

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Education and Skills (Joint)
CR4, LH 2000 9 a.m.
Schedule B: COM(2016)622

(ii) Overview of the findings of Investing in National Ambition: a Strategy for Funding Higher Education, Report of the Export Group on Future Funding for Higher Education [Prof. Michael Gilchrist, University College Dublin; Prof. John Boland, Trinity College Dublin; Mr. Patrick Lonergan, NUI Galway; Dr. Caroline M’Cullion, DG Business School; Prof. Aislinn O’Donnell, NUI Maynooth; Dr. Michele O’Dwyer, University of Limerick and Dr. Niamh Huritan, University College Cork]

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(iii) Business of the Committee

Finance, Public Expenditure and Reform, and Taoiseach (Joint)
CR2, LH 2000 9.30 a.m.
AGENDA: Matters relating to the Banking Sector (resumed) [Mr. Bernard Byrne, CEO, Allied Irish Banks]

Dáil Business
Room 2 (off the Main Hall), Leinster House 10.30 a.m.
AGENDA: Private Meeting