Publication of An Bord Pleanála’s Strategic Plan 2018 – 2023

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Today sees the publication of An Bord Pleanála’s Strategic Plan for the five year period 2018 to 2023.

Dr. Mary Kelly, outgoing Chairperson of An Bord Pleanála said:

“An Bord Pleanála has just celebrated 40 years since establishment in 2017. In that time, the commitment and hard work of its Chairpersons, Board members and staff has led An Bord Pleanála to be an organisation which is highly trusted by citizens, Government Departments and agencies, and other stakeholder groups.

This Strategic Plan provides a framework to guide An Bord Pleanála for the next five years and reinforces our reputation for impartiality and driving the highest standards in timely decision making and service to the public. It also sets out how we will continue to support and develop as an organisation with an agile and high performing workforce to carry out our important work”.

An Bord Pleanála’s plan is structured around four high level goals as follows:

1. Protecting and enhancing our reputation for independence, impartiality, trust, integrity and transparency.
2. Making robust, timely, transparent, high quality decisions which support proper planning and sustainable development.
3. Improving our service to meet changing customer expectations.
4. Fostering a motivated, resilient and responsive organisation.

Specific priorities and actions to achieve these goals are set out in the Plan published today.

The Plan was developed over the past year with input from staff, Board and external stakeholders. It was also informed by an external review of the organisation commissioned by the then Minister for Environment, Heritage and Local Government and has taken many of its key recommendations on board.

Dr. Kelly added that: “the outcome of this plan will be a smoothly running, efficient, effective and fit for purpose An Bord Pleanála which continues to maintain its values of integrity, independence and fairness as it contributes to a society which respects the principles of sustainable development.”