
Communiqué

ICT Policy Board – 15 October 2013

The ICT (Information and Communications Technology) Policy Board held its 12th meeting on 15 October 2013.

ICT Project Fund

The ICT Policy Board considered the assessments of six projects for potential funding through the ICT Project Fund.

The ICT Policy Board noted that the projects had already reached Point 4 in the Structured Infrastructure Investment Review Process (SIIRP)¹ or were currently being assessed to reach that point.

The ICT Policy Board considered the assessment (as per the methodology agreed at previous meeting) of the projects against their benefits, their strategic nature, and the risks and the funding. The ICT Policy Board noted that the assessment had been reviewed and commented on by the Agency ICT Reference Group.

The ICT Policy Board noted generally

- Transformational, strategically important projects should be prioritised
- The opportunity for co-funding of projects by agencies should be considered
- The requirement to retain capacity for the ICT Policy Board to fund new and emerging projects and manage other contingencies
- Responsibility for delivery of the project remained with the agency, however, the ICT Policy Board required that the projects
 - had appropriate governance,
 - had an appropriate quality assurance model, and
 - provided the ICT Policy Board with high level “traffic light” reporting (eg scope, timing, budget)

The ICT Policy Board agreed to fund the following projects from the ICT Project Fund

- *Integrated Tasmanian Government Contact Centre - DPAC*
- *Criminal Justice Information Management Program - DOJ*
- *State Revenue System – Payroll Tax and Duties - DOTAF*

¹ Structured Infrastructure Investment Review Process – Department of Treasury and Finance
<http://www.treasury.tas.gov.au/domino/df/df.nsf/v-pages/4C233D617F4BA8EBCA257953000850C5>

The ICT Policy Board was supportive of funding the following projects from the ICT Project Fund, noting that

- *VET Student Management System – DOE* – The ICT Policy Board agreed that opportunities for co-funding by TasTAFE should be discussed and explored in more detail, and be subject to any final decision by the ICT Policy Board on the level of funding from the ICT Project Fund.
- *Emergency Services Computer Aided Dispatch – DPEM* – The ICT Policy Board agreed to fund from the ICT Project Fund the first year allocation of the project (to progress planning work), with subsequent funding from the ICT Project Fund subject to; the agreed commitment to the project from all major stakeholders, the confirmation of appropriate project governance, and the examination of co-funding options.

The ICT Policy Board did not support funding from the ICT Project Fund the following project

- *ICT Infrastructure Stabilisation Program – DHHS*

and invited a revised proposal focussing on the more strategic aspects of the project.

Review of the Criminal Justice Information Management Program

The ICT Policy Board noted the report from the independent review of the Criminal Justice Information Management Program Business Case

The purpose of the review was to provide an independent view of the progress to date of the program and assurance that the program could proceed successfully to the next stage. The ICT Policy Board noted the review provided a valid assessment of the potential risks associated with the program.

The ICT Policy Board agreed to the development of a standard quality assurance framework (ie independent and fit-for-purpose reviews at key milestones and checkpoints) for those projects funded through the ICT Project Fund.

ICT Strategy – Major Actions – Status Report

The ICT Policy Board noted the report on the status of the Major Actions and the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) of the Tasmanian Government ICT Strategy².

The ICT Policy Board noted the significant program of work being undertaken through the Major Actions and agreed to discuss progress against the KPIs and any associated gaps and risks in the overall ICT Strategy at the next meeting.

The ICT Policy Board agreed to the development of a paper examining the trends, issues and risks associated with mobile computing.

² Tasmanian Government ICT Strategy
<http://www.egovernment.tas.gov.au/ict/strategy>

Payroll and HR Systems Review

The ICT Policy Board noted the report *Payroll and HR System Review – Current state analysis and roadmap development*. The report was an independent analysis of payroll and HR (human resources) systems within the Tasmanian Government.

The ICT Policy Board noted the report sets out a strategic vision which focuses on whole-of-government requirements with the management of individual agency requirements. This relies on developing a more unified HR strategic direction and the collaboration across agencies (in the utilisation of the current HR system) via a phased approach.

Other Issues

The ICT Policy Board noted the activities of the Agency ICT Reference Group.

The ICT Policy Board will meet again in December 2013.

Further information

For further information on the ICT Policy Board, see http://www.egovernment.tas.gov.au/about/modernising_ict_governance

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