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FIANNA FAIL YOUNG BLOODS TIGHTEN IN LEADERSHIP RACE

(05 January 2011) Paddy Power have today shortened the odds on both Dara Calleary and Barry Andrews to become the next leader of Fianna Fail.

Minister of State for Labour Affairs Dara Calleary was considered a 14/1 shot to replace Brian Cowen but recent betting supporting the 37-year old Mayo man resulted in his odds shortening into 8/1.

43-year old Minister of State for Children Barry Andrews was also the subject of an overnight gamble which has seen his odds tumble from 16/1 into 12/1. Micheal Martin remains the odds on 8/11 favourite ahead of Minister for Finance Brian Lenihan at 15/8. Mary Hanifin seems to have lost the eye of punters with her odds drifting from 9/4 to 6/1.

Paddy Power are also betting on the age of the next Fianna Fail leader with somewhere between 46 to 50 years old the 4/5 favourite.

Next Permanent Fianna Fail Leader

8/11 Micheal Martin
15/8 Brian Lenihan
6/1 Mary Hanafin
8/1 Dara Calleary (from 14/1)
12/1 Barry Andrews (from 16/1)
16/1 Eamon O'Cuiv
20/1 Sean Connick
40/1 Brendan Smith
33/1 Batt O'Keefe
40/1 Mary Coughlan
66/1 John McGuinness
66/1 Tony Killeen
80/1 Pat Carey

Age of Next Fianna Fail Leader

8/1 40 or under
10/1 41 to 45
4/5 46 to 50
11/8 51 to 55
16/1 56 to 60
33/1 Over 60

Ends

All prices remain subject to fluctuation.

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