

# FOI Disclosure Log

Case ID	Description	Category of Requester	Decision
FOI/P001/2023	Copies of the minutes of the IDWG for 2022. Copies of any revised instructions, guidance notes, or other such advisories issued by the CPU to public bodies with regard to the FOI Act during 2022.	Journalist	Grant
FOI/P003/2023	A copy of The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)/agreement between the Government of Ireland and Microsoft Ireland as announced by Minister Michael McGrath on November 25th 2022.	Other	Refuse
FOI/P004/2023	Reference No: PROJ0000 - Temporary Agency Staff and the provision of Recruitment and Selection Services (5 Lots) Can you advise how many submissions you received per Lot The names of the companies successfully appointed to each Lot Etenders System ID: 222879 OGP Ref: PROJ000007772 Tender Name: Multi Supplier Framework Agreement for the provision of Temporary Agency Staff and the provision of Recruitment and Selection Services for University of Galway	Business / Interest Group	Withdrawn
FOI/P005/2023	I am requesting all Ministerial and department documents (including external and internal correspondence, meeting notes, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages etc) in respect of efforts by the Bar Council or barristers to restore/increase fees paid to counsel who conduct criminal cases on dates between August 1 to December 31 2022.	Business / Interest Group	Part Grant

<b>FOI/P006/2023</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Correspondence between Secretary General of the Department of Housing and the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform regarding the salary of the aforementioned secretary general.</li> <li>• Any internal correspondence in the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform, including emails, minutes of meetings or notes, regarding the salary of the secretary general of the Department of Housing.</li> </ul>	Journalist	Refuse
<b>FOI/P007/2023</b>	All correspondence between Jack Chambers and the Department of Finance in relation to the funding of sports facilities under a Strategic investment Funding in 2021 & 2022.	Other	Grant
<b>FOI/P008/2023</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A breakdown by individual organisation of the waitlist at HEO level in Zone 46. Please include the total number on the waitlist for each organisation, the current numbers of eligible/ineligible and any other relevant information.</li> <li>2. A breakdown by individual organisation of all upcoming transfers in zone 22, zone 29 and zone 46 for as far forward as possible.</li> <li>3. Any forecasts for transfers in zone 22, zone 29, zone 46 at HEO level.</li> <li>4. The number of transfers broken down by year and individual organisations of all transfers under the mobility scheme for zone 29 since the beginning of the scheme.</li> </ol>	Other	Refuse
<b>FOI/P009/2023</b>	Emails and meeting minutes between the department and County Carlow Chamber of Commerce on the matter of AML requirements for gift cards, as detailed on the lobbying register. <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/91500/county-carlow-chamber-of-commerce-industry-and-tourism-clg">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/91500/county-carlow-chamber-of-commerce-industry-and-tourism-clg</a>	Other	Part Grant
<b>FOI/P010/2023</b>	I request records, suitably redacted to preserve personal identities, relating to two appeals by pensioners submitted in early 2021 to the Minister for determination under Section 41(7) of the Irish Aviation Authority Act, 1993.	Other	Refuse
<b>FOI/P012/2023</b>	<p>All records held by your Dept. (previously Dept. of the Public Service) of the instructions regarding the implementation of Circular 46/1975 - Revision "of the Superannuation Code - and the implementation of the "modified Soc. Wei. contribution" which issued to the HEA and University College, Galway at that time.</p> <p>My request includes for all records held - i.e all communications by all means to and from HEA and UCG.</p>	Other	Refuse

<b>FOI/P013/2023</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Correspondence between the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media and the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform regarding the salary arrangements for the Secretary General of the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media.</li> <li>• Any correspondence between their respective officials on these same matters.</li> </ul> <p>This request should cover the period July 2020 to the present day.</p>	Journalist	Refuse
<b>FOI/P014/2023</b>	<p>Copies of all correspondence (emails, letters and other) authored by Minister Paschal Donohoe to the housing minister regarding Michael Stone and board membership of the Land Development Agency in 2018 and 2019</p> <p>Copies of all correspondence authored by Minister Paschal Donohoe to Michael Stone regarding board membership of the Land Development Agency in 2018 and 2019</p>	Other	Refuse
<b>FOI/P015/2023</b>	<p>Copies of all correspondence (emails, letters and other) authored by Minister Paschal Donohoe regarding the appointment of Michael Stone as chair of the North East Inner City Initiative City in 2017</p> <p>Copies of all correspondence from Paschal Donohoe to Michael Stone regarding his appointment as chair of the North East Inner City Initiative in 2017</p>	Other	Refuse
<b>FOI/P016/2023</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Correspondence between the Minister and his advisers regarding the Sunday Independent's queries about an undeclared donation during the 2016 general election campaign. This correspondence should cover the period November and December 2022, and January 2023 and should include any emails, text messages, WhatsApp messages or any other form of electronic communications regarding this matter during the aforementioned period.</li> <li>• Any records held by the Department(s) regarding this matter in May, June, July and August 2017 or the period that Mr Donohoe referred to in his statement on these matters. This should include any press queries to the Department and any other internal correspondence on this matter including discussions between the Minister and his advisers</li> </ul>	Journalist	Refuse

<b>FOI/P017/2023</b>	Correspondence with the Department of Housing regarding the issue of retrospection in the funding of apartment defect remediation 2. Correspondence on the same topic with D/Fin 3. Correspondence on the same topic with D/Taoiseach	Journalist	Part Grant
<b>FOI/P018/2023</b>	(1) Correspondence dated 20/05/2009 from Mr Duffy (DoF) to the Minister for Finance, including legal advice and AASHG correspondence – performance related awards scheme (PRA). (2) Correspondence dated 07/12/2009 from Secretary General - PSMD (DoF) to the Minister for Finance – Review Body Recommendation. (3) Correspondence (series of emails) dated 07/12/2009 between Secretary General - PSMD (DoF) to Mr Duffy (DoF) - PRA. (4) Correspondence (email) dated 08/12/2009 from Secretary General – PSMD (DoF) to Mr Duffy (DoF) and Ms Buckley (DoF) – seeking views on Aide Memoire. (5) Correspondence (email) dated 08/12/2009 from Mr Duffy (DoF) to Mr Connolly (DoF) and Ms Buckley (DoF) – Draft Aide Memoire. (6) Correspondence dated 22/12/09 from Secretary General – PSMD (DoF) to the Minister of Finance – government decision of 09/12/2009. (7) Correspondence (series of emails) dated 23/12/2009 between L Kelly (DoF) and A Gibbons (DoF) – reduced Assistant Secretaries rates of pay. (8) Correspondence (email) and appendix from Mr Carey (Department of Health & Children) to Mr Duffy (DoF) and Mr Brazel (DoF) – senior grades in health sector	Other	Refuse
<b>FOI/P019/2023</b>	I am requesting records relating to a briefing between DPER and the Information Commissioner with an update of the department's FOI review. I am specifically seeking the release of any briefings or presentations prepared for this meeting, any correspondence between DPER and the Office of the Information Commissioner arising from the meeting, and any notes or minutes taken at the meeting.	Journalist	Withdrawn
<b>FOI/P020/2023</b>	Briefing notes and meeting minutes between Barry Lowry and Apple Distribution International Ltd on the matter of the EU digital identity regulation, as detailed on the lobbying register - <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/92963/apple-distribution-international-ltd">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/92963/apple-distribution-international-ltd</a>	Other	Withdrawn

<b>FOI/P021/2023</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All correspondence between Minister Paschal Donohoe and Mr Michael Stone between January 1 2016 and the date of this request</li> <li>• All correspondence between Minister Donohoe and his advisers regarding Michael Stone between January 1 2016 and the date of this request</li> <li>• All correspondence between Minister Donohoe and Taoiseach Leo Varadkar regarding Michael Stone between January 1 2023 and the date of this request</li> <li>• All correspondence between Minister Donohoe and Fine Gael General Secretary John Carroll between January 1 2023 and the date of this request</li> </ul> <p>Correspondence should include, but not be limited to, text messages, letters, emails, WhatsApp messages, briefing notes, memos etc etc</p>	Journalist	Part Grant
<b>FOI/P022/2023</b>	Emails sent by Apple Distribution International Ltd to Michael McGrath and Ossian Smyth relating to EU battery regulations, sent between 1 Sep 2022 and 31 Dec 2022, as detailed on the lobbying register <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/92962/apple-distribution-international-ltd">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/92962/apple-distribution-international-ltd</a>	Other	Part Grant
<b>FOI/P023/2023</b>	I am requesting the release of all communications sent via WhatsApp since January 1st between the Minister and Taoiseach Leo Varadkar.	Journalist	Refuse
<b>FOI/P024/2023</b>	I am requesting the release of all communications between Minister Paschal Donohoe and Michael Stone between 1 December 2022 and the present date. My request should include emails (both work and private accounts), and SMS and WhatsApp messages. I am also seeking records relating to calls between the Minister and Mr Stone between the same dates, specifically call logs showing the dates and times of any calls and the length of time each call lasted.	Journalist	Refuse
<b>FOI/P025/2023</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. All correspondence between the Minister's office, and/or the Minister himself, and the Department of the Taoiseach and/or the Taoiseach himself, regarding the appointment of Mr Michael Stone as chair of the NEIC</li> <li>2. To include Minister Donohoe's devices, ie mobile phone and messaging apps, tablets, etc</li> <li>3. From 6 May 2016 to July 2017</li> <li>4. Correspondence from Minister Donohoe and/or his office to the Designer Group and/or Michael Stone from Mr Donohoe's appointment as Minister for Public Expenditure on 6 May 2016 to 27 June 2020. Again, to include Mr Donohoe's devices as described above.</li> </ol>	Journalist	Part Grant

<b>FOI/P026/2023</b>	The record I seek is correspondence from the Department of Defence to DPER regarding the creation of additional appointments in the Defence Forces based on recommendations contained in the report of the Commission on the Defence Forces. I am specifically interested in the list of proposed appointments. I believe this correspondence dates from November or December 2022.	Other	Part Grant
<b>FOI/P027/2023</b>	Copies of any correspondence (via email or text message) between Minister Donohoe and any of his special advisers with regard to declarations or recording of his election expenditure. This request to cover the period 1 Jan 2022 to the date of receipt of the request. Copies of any records held by Minister Donohoe either in his email account or his mobile phone referring or relating to his decision to recuse himself from reform of electoral and/or ethics legislation due to discrepancies in his declarations of electoral spending. Same time period as above. Searches of any mobile phones, relevant private email addresses and/or messaging services should be considered when processing this request.	Journalist	Part Grant
<b>FOI/P028/2023</b>	1. Copies of all correspondence between Minister Paschal Donohoe and SIPO between January 1 2016 and the date of this request Correspondence should include (but not be limited to) emails, letters, memos, briefing documents, minutes of phone calls etc	Journalist	Refuse
<b>FOI/P029/2023</b>	To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform and his HR/Pensions Units the number of Civil/Public Servants in his Department in the last 10 years who have been granted full-service retirement of 40 years for compassionate/discretionary reasons when they retired on ill health grounds (on the advice of a medical advisor). (1) Can he please indicate the number of recipients whom full service has been awarded to, even, if it was beyond their nearest potential service age for retirement of 60 or 65 (whichever is applicable to their status) i.e., despite 40yrs being beyond their official retirement age they were not paid just to the nearest pensionable age but instead were awarded full pension.  (2) How many years were granted to these retirees in these particular cases.	Other	Refuse

<b>FOI/P030/2023</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minutes, notes or any records that exist within the Department of the meetings between Minister Donohoe and businessman Michael Stone that took place between 2016 and the present day.</li> </ul>	Journalist	Refuse
<b>FOI/P031/2023</b>	A copy of all submissions made as part of the public consultation on the review of ethics legislation.	Other	Withdrawn
<b>FOI/P032/2023</b>	The Minutes, Emails and/or Notes for any meetings/communications between the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform with Dublin City Council Planning Department and/or the Conservation Office of Dublin City Council concerning the creation of the Christmas Crib in Stephens Green, Dublin 2 in the open-sided summer house/pavilion beside the ornamental lake. The Dublin City Council Record of Protected Structures Reference No. for the summer house/pavilion is RPS Ref. No. 7756.	Oireachtas	Refuse and Transfer Out
<b>FOI/P033/2023</b>	<p>Any memos/briefings prepared on departmental duties to new minister Brendan Howlin in March 2011</p> <p>Any memos/briefings prepared on departmental duties to new minister Paschal Donohoe in May 2016</p> <p>Any memos/briefings prepared on departmental duties to new minister Michael McGrath in June 2020</p> <p>Any memos/briefings prepared on departmental duties to new minister Paschal Donohoe in December 2022</p>	Journalist	Refuse
<b>FOI/P034/2023</b>	<p>In his opening statement to the Oireachtas Health Committee on 25 January 2023, Mr Fran Thompson, CIO, HSE stated that approval for the national Electronic Health Record Programme was deferred in 2019 until a review of the outcomes of the Children's Health Ireland electronic health record was completed (see attached highlighted at pages 3 &amp; 4).</p> <p>I make a request under the Freedom of Information Acts for copies Correspondence between the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform and the Department of Health in relation to the view provided in 2018/2019</p>	Journalist	Part Grant
<b>FOI/P035/2023</b>	I request records, suitably redacted to preserve identities, submitted in 2021 to the Minister seeking a determination under Section 41(7) of the Irish Aviation Authority Act, 1993	Other	Part Grant

<b>FOI/P036/2023</b>	All information and records relating to the application of the Financial Emergency Measures in the Public Interest Acts to legal professional services particularly information and records relating to reductions in fees and information and records relating to the unwinding of the Financial Emergency Measures in the Public Interest Acts to legal professional services, made since 1st January 2018.	Other	Refuse
<b>FOI/P037/2023</b>	A copy of documents that explain why the civil and public service 5 and 10 hour subsistence rules require a distance from base to be considered before paying out, and not just the time. Any individual names should be redacted.	Other	Grant
<b>FOI/P038/2023</b>	Records of all communications between the DPENDPDR and the following organisations: the Road Safety Authority (RSA), the Work Relations Commission (WRC), FORSA, the Department of Transport (DoT), and any recruitment company engaged to conduct competition/recruitment campaigns, in relation to the recruitment, appointment, and retention of Driver Testers during the period 2017 – 2023	Other	Withdrawn
<b>FOI/P040/2023</b>	<p>I am seeking copies of the following in respect of the three years 2020, 2021 and 2022:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Certificates for Retention of Departmental Records or Part(s) Thereof, pursuant to Section 8(2) of the National Archives Act, 1986.</li> <li>2. Certificates for Retention or Withholding from Public Inspection of Departmental Records pursuant to Section 8(4) of the National Archives Act, 1986. Please note, I am seeking copies of the completed certificates, indicating whether the Consenting Officer of the Department of the Taoiseach has consented to the making of the certificates.</li> <li>3. Schedules of records (if any) attached to the certificates specified at 1) and 2) above.</li> </ol>	Other	Refuse
<b>FOI/P041/2023</b>	Project completion reports or ex-post evaluations for projects over €50m to be submitted to the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform under the Public Spending Code capital appraisal guidelines which would be a matter for the National Investment Office in this Department.	Journalist	Refuse



<b>FOI/P042/2023</b>	Copies of any records held referring or relating to difficulties encountered by ministers of state in paying for accommodation in Dublin without access to the travel and accommodation allowance. This request to cover the period 1 Sept 2022 to date of receipt. Ccopies of any correspondence received by the department with regard to the above during the same time period.	Journalist	Refuse
<b>FOI/P043/2023</b>	The request is for guidelines and or advice on working after retirement on health grounds as former civil service employees who paid modified contributions. I understand hse advice is working part time is accepted.	Staff	Withdrawn
<b>FOI/P044/2023</b>	I attach a copy of the Briefing Note for Minister Hackett for a meeting with Coillte on 13 January 2022. Page 4 of the Briefing refers to Project Pearl and the consent from, inter alia, the Minister of DPER in relation to the establishment of FuturEnergy Ireland.  I request, by email, a copy of the consent from DPER in relation to Coillte's Project Pearl i.e the establishment of FuturEnergy Ireland, as noted in the Briefing for Minister Hackett for the meeting with Coillte on 13 January 2022.	Other	Part Grant
<b>FOI/P046/2023</b>	An Excel spreadsheet of all purchase orders ('PO') and payments of €20,000 or more, made by DPER for the period 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022 (both dates inclusive). The Excel spreadsheet to include the following information :  1. Date of purchase order (e.g. 04-01-2022) 2. Amount of purchase order 3. Date of payment (relating to the relevant PO) (eg. 10-04-2022) 4. Amount of payment (if different from the PO) 5. Name of supplier 6. Description of goods and/or services provided  When considering this request, I would ask that you note the Public Service Reform Plan of 17 November 2011, in which publication of such data is an obligation for all public bodies: <a href="https://www.reformplan.per.gov.ie/2014/downloads/files/Reform%20Plan%202011.pdf">https://www.reformplan.per.gov.ie/2014/downloads/files/Reform%20Plan%202011.pdf</a>	Other	Grant

<b>FOI/P047/2023</b>	All records received from Government Departments with regards to mandatory procedures for offsetting the greenhouse gas emissions associated with official air travel, as per Department of Public Expenditure and Reform Circular 01/2020.	Journalist	Withdrawn
<b>FOI/P048/2023</b>	I am seeking for information in relation to the announcement of €850,000 for HSE led initiative to reduce health related harms from cocaine and 'crack' cocaine. I request for :  List or demography of targeted disadvantaged communities that is worst affected by cocaine and 'crack' cocaine.	Journalist	Refuse and Transfer Out
<b>FOI/P049/2023</b>	Copies of the central registers maintained by the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform, as per its obligations as set out under Department of Public Expenditure and Reform Circular 01/2020: Procedures for Offsetting the Emissions Associated with Official Air Travel.  Under the Circular, it is expected that registers contain details of individual flights, associated greenhouse gas emissions, and the monetary value calculated for each flight to be paid into the Climate Action Fund by the Department.	Journalist	Part Grant
<b>FOI/P050/2023</b>	I am seeking information in relation to the Brexit Adjustment Reserve (BAR), under which Ireland has been allocated €1 billion.  The Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM) announced yesterday (March 14) that the potato and chipping potato sector will receive €3.1 million under the BAR. How many requests have been made by the DAFM to access funding under the BAR for agricultural sectors? Please also provide a breakdown of how Ireland has used the BAR fund to date.	Journalist	Part Grant
<b>FOI/P052/2023</b>	Any correspondence received or sent (between 1/1/2021 and 24/03/23) by any staff within this Department which includes the following keywords/phrases: 'IDEX', 'Abu Dhabi', 'International Defence Exhibition'	Journalist	Withdrawn

<b>FOI/P053/2023</b>	Any correspondence or records created (between 1/1/2021 and 24/03/23) within this Department which refer to the International Defence Exhibition and Conference (IDEX) for 2023 and also for 2025 held in Abu Dhabi, UAE	Journalist	Refuse
<b>FOI /P054/2023</b>	The information I seek are the results of the survey that is noted below (OGCIO survey). Can I take you up on your offer of that information being provided to me please. I would be grateful if the number and grades of IT staff could be provided from that survey. I understand that it's a point in time, that it was voluntary, that not all agencies responded and that it's not validated. If possible could the information be provided in an excel spreadsheet please. Separately, I wonder if DPER has census data for each of the agencies that did reply to the survey. I understand that the HSE publishes its staff census each month. Could that be forward also? Again, I had presumed that an approx. number of total staff was compiled for that survey which would give a ratio of IT to total staff. Happy to accept that - with the above caveats - if available.	Other	Grant
<b>FOI/P055/2023</b>	Copies of all advice, from either the Chief State Solicitor's Office or the Office of the Attorney General, issued to DPER and/or the Office of Government Procurement concerning the forthcoming central procurement arrangements for the new cloud infrastructure as a service (IaaS) contract. This request covers the period from 1 March 2022 to 28 February 2023.	Other	Refuse
<b>FOI/P056/2023</b>	A copy of any correspondence (or representations or complaints or letters of support) received by the department and/or the minister's office with regard to controversy over declarations of election expenses by Minister Paschal Donohoe.	Journalist	Refuse
<b>FOI/P057/2023</b>	1. The business case submitted to the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform for the HSE buying 162-165 James's Street, Dublin 8. 2. Any correspondence to or from DPER in the past 12 months regarding the business case submitted for the HSE buying 162-165 James's Street, Dublin 8.	Journalist	Refuse
<b>FOI/P058/2023</b>	Is there any records available to me (a civilian) which can readily show that the practice and implementation of the 'Corporate Governance Framework' was carried out within the division/section known as The Oireachtas Services, covering either whole or part of that division/section; or is there records in the form of a statement/letter showing that the division/section 'The Oireachtas Services' was covered as part of the whole implementation, specified or listed or obvious from say a report?	Other	Refuse and Transfer Out

<b>FOI/P059/2023</b>	<p>I would like to request copies of records showing details of the costs of travel and associated expenses for all Senior and Junior Ministers and their delegations for the St Patrick's Day trips to celebrate the day in 2023.</p> <p>To include, but not be limited to, the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Records showing the names, positions, titles of those who travelled and their official functions as part of the Department's delegations this year</li><li>• Records showing the costs of all travel for every member on each trip</li><li>• Records showing what class of travel was booked for all travellers individually</li><li>• Records showing the accommodation details and total costs for each person</li><li>• Also, any other records showing any other costs organised or incurred by the department, e.g., gifts, presentations, receptions, guest hospitality, photography, flowers etc.</li></ul>	Journalist	Part Grant
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