

## FOI Disclosure Log

### Quarter 1 2018

Case ID	Requester Type	Request	Decision
17 - 229	Journalist	A copy of all correspondence (letters and emails) between the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform and the Department of Justice regarding the Garda overtime bill for 2017, from July 1 2017 to present	Part Granted
17 - 233	Journalist	Copy of correspondence between the Department of Public Expenditure and the Department of Health from 01 October 2017 regarding the supplementary estimate for the health service in 2017	Granted
17 - 234	Journalist	Any pre-budget submissions made in 2017 by the Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht to the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform or to the Dept of Finance.	Part Granted
17 - 236	Journalist	Copies of any records held by the Department discussing the possibility that extension of retirement age to 70 could cause issues in forcing departments or public bodies to retain under-performing civil servants for an extended extra period of time.	Part Granted
17 - 237	A Member of the Public	All correspondence between DPOR and the Department of Health (DoH) in relation to a policy paper outlining the approaches to the future management and prioritisation of the introduction of new medicines as referenced in letter from Tony O'Brien to Greg Dempsey on 3rd August 2017 (DOH ref: TO'B/SB; DG Ref: 459439) All correspondence between DPOR & DoH or HSE on funding for drugs between the dates 3rd August 2017 and 9th September 2017.	Part Granted
17 - 238	Journalist	Copies of any records relating to the repayment of the illegal Chief Whip's allowance by Minister Regina Doherty. This request to cover only records created in the period since my last such similar request (if relevant to your Department). I would prefer to receive this information electronically, ideally in its original electronic format.	Part Granted
17 - 239	Journalist	Copies of any records held by the Department relating to the possibility of lifting the salary cap so that universities can attract academic staff using higher salaries. I would prefer to receive this information electronically, ideally in its original electronic format.	Part Granted
17 - 240	Journalist	Copies of all records relating to the decision (as part of the Public Service Pay & Pensions Bill) to ensure that the Taoiseach, Tánaiste, Ministers etc do not benefit from the further unwinding of pay cuts provided for other public servants. I would prefer to receive this information electronically, ideally in its original electronic format.	Refused

<b>17 - 241</b>	A Member of the Public	legislation in respect of each application for retention on grounds of hardship which was approved by DPER in the period January 2014 to date: (i) Department in which each successful applicant was serving (ii) Reason why each application was referred to DPER rather than being decided by applicant's own department (iii) Anonymised details as to how, precisely, each successful applicant was deemed to have met the "hardship" threshold as set out in Circular 13/1975 (iv) An explanation as to the basis on which any successful application which may have been deemed not to have met the "hardship" threshold as set out in Circular 13/1975 was, nonetheless, approved by DPER.	Part Granted
<b>17 - 242</b>	Journalist	All versions of D/Per paper 'Future Expenditure Risks Associated with Ireland's Renewable Energy Targets' For clarity, this is the paper referred to in the opening paragraph of a letter from Mary Austin to Eamonn Confrey, dated 13 October 2016 Any internal correspondence or records of meetings etc related to potential for Ireland to miss renewable energy targets	Part Granted
<b>17 - 246</b>	Martin Wall - Irish Times	Copy of representations and submissions made by lobbyists or others to the Department of Public Expenditure as well as any subsequent correspondence in relation to the drafting and publication of the Public Service Pay and Pensions Bill 2017 .	Part Granted
<b>17 - 248</b>	A Member of the Public	Any and all documents, including emails, created, sent or received relating to a Data Processing Agreement between the Department of Social Welfare and the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform since the signing of the prior Agreement dated February 2014.	Grant
<b>18 - 001</b>	Oireachtas/ Public Representative	Please limit my request in time to between February 2017 to date. All correspondence exchanged between the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform and the Minister of Transport Tourism and Sport, between August 1st, 2015 to December 1st 2015. To include both written and electronic communications.	Grant
<b>18 - 002</b>	Journalist	Costs incurred by the department relating to all Christmas parties/events held in Nov 2017/Dec 2017. Copies of all invoices/itemised bills relating to same All correspondence to staff/outside parties in relation to same These records should include the time, venue and number of people in attendance in relation to all events	Refused
<b>18 - 003</b>	Journalist	Under the terms of the 2014 FOI Act, can I request the following: All representations from ministers to Minister Donohoe relating to pay for special advisors since Jan 1 2017. Please note that under the terms of the act, there is no charge associated with this request.	Grant
<b>18 - 004</b>	Journalist	Under the FOI Act 2014, I am seeking the following: - copies of any records held by your Department relating to the setting of a new salary level for	Refused

the Garda Commissioner. This to include emails, letters, faxes, memos, handwritten notes, and so on. This request to cover the period 1 September 2017 to the current date.

I would prefer to receive this information electronically, ideally in its original electronic format.

If you need to clarify anything in this request, please contact me via email,

<b>18 - 005</b>	Business/ Interest Group	Under the Freedom of Information Act, 2014, I wish to request non-personal records created since 1st October 2015 up to the present of the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform ('DPER') consisting of, or referring or relating to:	Refused
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1. the conditions attached by DPER in respect of the Vote for the Department of Health for 2016 referred to in the attached 'Record 1' of the Department of Health

a. any change subsequently in these conditions of sanction;

2. the letter of DPER to the Department of Health of 28th July 2017 referred to in 'Record 6' (attached) containing conditions attaching to sanction for Vote 38 in 2017 relating to pharmaceutical expenditure

a. including any records relating to considerations leading to, or giving approval for, the issuance of this letter of 28th July 2017;

3. considerations by DPER of the contents of letter of 25th August 2017 from the Secretary General of the Department of Health in 'Record 6' (attached);

4. any guidelines considered or developed by DPER for use by the HSE when making reimbursement decisions referred to in 'Record 6';

5. any change in, or ending of, the conditions attached to Vote 38 expenditure on medicines referred to in that letter from DPER of 28th July 2017;

6. any conditions relating to pharmaceutical/medicines expenditure in sanction for Vote 38 in 2018 conveyed to the Department of Health.

<b>18 - 006</b>	Journalist	Can you please furnish me with figures for the total spend by public bodies (County Councils, schools, Gardai, Garda Vetting Office, government buildings etc) in County Tipperary under the National Procurement Frameworks for 2016 and 2017 if possible, across all frameworks. Approximate figures will suffice.	Part Grant
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Also, can you furnish me with approximate figures of the amount saved by working through the national procurement process, rather than each entity dealing individually with local suppliers. This may well be a percentage figure.

Any other relevant information relating to national spend, national savings percentages etc would also be welcome.

<b>18 - 007</b>	Journalist	copies of any records held by the Department relating to the setting of salary level for the appointment of a new director of Sláintecare.	Refused
<b>18 - 008</b>	Oireachtas/ Public Representative	<p>I wish to request the information listed below under The Freedom of Information Acts 1997, 2003 &amp; 2014.</p> <p>All briefing material including memos, background papers, preparatory advice, reports, documents and publications within the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform that have been received from our provided to the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government in relation to the Mid Term Capital Review and the National Development Plan since January 2017.</p> <p>In addition all minutes of meetings and correspondence between the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform and the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government in relation to the Mid Term Capital Review and the National Development Plan since January 2017.</p>	Part Grant
<b>18 - 009</b>	A Member of the Public	<p>Classes of allowances to be abolished for new beneficiaries etc.</p> <p>Allowances paid in An Garda Síochána - Classes of allowances proposed to be abolished for new beneficiaries etc.</p> <p>Priority list for elimination/review for current beneficiaries etc.</p> <p>All documentation including but not limited to correspondence received from the Department of Justice &amp; Equality touching upon the prioritisation for elimination/review for current recipients within An Garda Síochána only.</p> <p>Any and all documentation relating to consideration of the Government decision in abolishing allowances, pursuant to the Employment Act 1998.</p>	Part Grant
<b>18 - 010</b>	Business/ Interest Group	<p>I wish to make a request under the Freedom of Information acts for the following information:</p> <p>Records of all communications as regards the application of 'Circular 8/2013: Revision of pay of civil servants' within the Sea Fisheries Protection Authority, including;</p> <p>Written communications via email, post or otherwise;</p> <p>Minutes of meetings or notes of meetings;</p> <p>Notes or records of telephone or personal discussions;</p> <p>and any other records of communications as may exist between:</p> <p>The Department of Public Expenditure and Reform; The Department of Agriculture Food and the Marine and/or The Sea Fisheries Protection Authority</p>	Refused
<b>18 - 011</b>	Journalist	<p>access to letters sent to officials in the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform by Hume Brophy on behalf of Premier Lotteries Ireland as outlined in the following lobbying return:</p> <p><a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/25396/hume-brophy">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/25396/hume-brophy</a></p>	Refused

		I also wish to request, under Fol, copies of any minutes / memos / briefings / correspondence relating to the meeting between Premier Lotteries Ireland and Minister Donohoe as referred to in the same lobbying return.	
<b>18 - 012</b>	Business/ Interest Group	<p>A. For the period 1st of January 2012 to present day [Note where multiple years are involved I request that each year be considered as a separate request]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· The number of non-reusable food and beverage paper-based items purchased and the amount spent each year since 1 January 2012, broken down per year;</li> <li>o Please include a breakdown for the following items per year: hot beverage cups; non-hot beverage cups, plates, food containers; knives, forks, and spoons (or cutlery if no individual records of knives, forks and spoons are available)</li> </ul>	Part Grant
<b>18 - 013</b>	Journalist	Copies of correspondence to and from the Department and the Minister since January 1, 2017 in relation to the payment of enhanced fees (fees above the usual rate) to prosecution counsel and/or solicitors in criminal cases.	Refused
<b>18 - 014</b>	Journalist	<p>All written requests to the Department for salaries (in respect of persons with salaries above €80,000) in excess of agreed rates, relocation expenses, car allowances, bonus payments or performance-related pay. This request to cover all such applications, which are made to the Dept, which would require sanction from Minister i.e. from other Dept &amp; State bodies and to include all communications to and from the Dept, and other bodies/Depts related to the request</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the original application letters, any reports/memos made internally on the application, submission that would have gone to Minister and response that issued. This request to cover only the period since my last such request.</li> <li>- Copies of any correspondence between your Department and any other government Department relating to the appointment of new special advisers, where these new appointments were not made at the lowest point on the agreed salary scale. This request to cover only the period since my last such request.</li> </ul>	Refused
<b>18 - 015</b>	Journalist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* the number and a list of all bills enacted and which relate to matters for which the minister has responsibility since 2011.</li> <li>* the number of reports reviewing such legislation laid by by the minister before an Oireachtas committee since 2011 as required under Dáil standing orders 141A (now 164A).</li> <li>* drafts of all such reports which may have been commenced or prepared but not laid in the Dáil library.</li> <li>* all internal memos, notes or guidelines held by your department relating to compliance with Standing Order 164A (and its predecessor 141A in the 31st/32nd Dáil</li> </ul>	Part Grant

<b>18 - 016</b>	A Member of the Public	<p>Could you supply me with the following information under the FOI Act 2014</p> <p>1) Any invoices/statements relating to the visit to New Zealand by the Secretary General in December 2017</p> <p>2) Any invoices/statements relating to any staff member employed by the DPER that travelled with the Secretary General to New Zealand in December 2017</p>	Grant
<b>18 - 017</b>	Journalist	<p>All correspondence between DPER and the Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht regarding the appointment and determination of salary for the special adviser to the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht between the period 01 June 2017 and 23 January 2018 inclusive.</p> <p>·All correspondence between the DPER and the Department of the Taoiseach regarding the appointments and determination of salaries for all special advisers in the Department of the Taoiseach between the period 01 June 2017 and 23 January 2018 inclusive.</p> <p>My preferred form of access to these records is in digital format via email. Should you have any queries please contact me on the number below.</p>	Refused
<b>18 - 018</b>	Journalist	<p>A breakdown of all staff in the Department by name, job title and salary. If the Department is precluded from disclosing the identities of staff, a breakdown by gender, job title, and salary would suffice.</p>	Handled Outside
<b>18 - 019</b>	Journalist	<p>My request relates to a public procurement procedure completed by your organisation. Specifically, my request relates to a tender awarded on 26-05-2017 under the OJEU TED Contract Award Notice ID number 2017-353809 and described as the "FWF027F - Request for Tenders to establish a number of Multi Supplier Framework Agreements for the provision of Waste Management Services".</p> <p>I seek:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· A copy of the successful bid documents related to the above referenced tender and each of the successful applicants in each lot.</li> <li>· A copy of the unsuccessful bids – in the case of unsuccessful bids I am happy to have the identity of the bidders redacted.</li> <li>· A copy of the bid evaluation report(s) or memo(s).</li> <li>· A copy of any contract with the successful bidders.</li> <li>· The details of all contracts awarded under the Framework agreement which have been notified to the OGP.</li> </ul>	Refused
<b>18 - 020</b>	Oireachtas/ Public Representative	<p>All briefing material including memos, background papers, preparatory advice, reports, documents, publications within the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform and the Office of Government Procurement in relation to the Strategic Communications Unit since June 2017. In addition all minutes of meetings and correspondence between the Department of Public</p>	Part Grant

		Expenditure and Reform or the Office of Government Procurement and the Department of Taoiseach in relation to the Strategic Communications Unit since June 2017.	
<b>18 - 021</b>	Journalist	I wish to request, under the Freedom of Information Act, access to correspondence between the RIAI and Minister Donohoe as outlined in the following lobbying return:  <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/24920/riai">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/24920/riai</a>	Refused
<b>18 - 022</b>	A Member of the Public	I wish to request the following information under Freedom of Information legislation in respect of each application for retention on grounds of Public Interest which was approved by DPER in the period January 2014 to date: (i) Department in which each successful applicant was serving (ii) Reason why each application was referred to DPER rather than being decided by applicant's own department (iii) Anonymised details as to how, precisely, each successful applicant was deemed to have met the "public interest" requirement as set out in Circular 13/1975 (iv) An explanation as to the basis on which any successful application which may have been deemed not to have met the "public interest" requirement as set out in Circular 13/1975 was, nonetheless, approved by DPER.	Part Grant
<b>18 - 023</b>	A Member of the Public	I am seeking to find the numbers of Irish Civil Servants in each Irish County and abroad, broken down by county, department and grade.  My preferred form of access is to receive copies of the record by E-mail. Details of Request In accordance with Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act, I request access to records which are non-personal.  I request the following records: A record of the number of serving civil Servants in Ireland, broken down by county, then department, then grade. This to be provided in tabular format, and sent by E-Mail if possible.	Grant
<b>18 - 024</b>	Journalist	Copies of any records held relating to the setting of a salary level for the special adviser Seamus O Ceallachain (Dept of Rural & Community Development).  Copies of any records held relating to the setting of a salary level for the special adviser John Keogh (Dept of Arts ...).  Copies of any records held relating to the setting of a salary level for the special adviser Mark O'Doherty (Dept of Taoiseach).	Grant

<b>18 - 025</b>	A Member of the Public	Request all copies of documentation concerning what a letter received from Mr Carey, Department of Health & Children. All copies of documentation etc. regarding the ongoing dispute by the union and on how such alleged dispute impacted implementation of the Report No 42 pay award to senior HSE Managers. Copies of all briefing documents/notes prepared for the Minister for Finance, leading to his decisions, as articulated in Ms Buckley's letter etc.	Part Grant
<b>18 - 026</b>	Oireachtas/ Public Representative	All briefing material including memos, background papers, preparatory advice, minutes of meetings, reports, correspondence, documents and publications between the Department of Taoiseach, Department of Finance and Department of Public Expenditure and Reform since 1st January 2018 in relation to the launch of the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project Ireland 2040 on 16th February 2018 in Sligo.	Grant
<b>18 - 027</b>	Oireachtas/ Public Representative	All briefing material including memos, background papers, preparatory advice, minutes of meetings, reports, correspondence, documents and publications between the Department of Finance and the National Treasury Management Agency since 1st September 2017 in relation to the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project Ireland 2040.	Part Grant
<b>18 - 028</b>	Journalist	I am seeking copies of all studies/analysis/reports commissioned by or sent to the Department relating to the construction of a Metro in Dublin between 2010 and 2018.	Part Grant
<b>18 - 029</b>	A Member of the Public	Correspondence between the Department of Public Expenditure and Department of Education regarding the National Development Plan;	Part Grant
<b>18 - 030</b>	Journalist	* Briefing material prepared for the Minister for Public Expenditure or senior officials regarding bi-lateral meetings with the Department of Education regarding the National Development Plan. I wish to request, under the Freedom of Information Act, all correspondence between Premier Lotteries Ireland and the Department regarding unclaimed prizes worth €16.092m inherited from PLI when it took over the licence in November 2014.  I also wish to request, under Fol, access to any correspondence with the Regulator of the National Lottery regarding the €16.092m in unclaimed prize money.  I also wish to request, under Fol, access to any internal reports / memos relating to the €16.092m in unclaimed prize money.	Part Grant
<b>18 - 031</b>	Journalist	1. Copies of submissions received by the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform in relation to Project Ireland 2040. 2. Copies of correspondence to the Minister/secretary general/deputy secretary general on Project Ireland 2040.	Grant



		3. Internal documentation within the Department relating to Project Ireland 2040. Please include policy papers, early drafts of policy papers, research on costings etc.	
<b>18 - 032</b>	Journalist	A business case made to the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform from the Department of the Taoiseach regarding the funding of the Strategic Communications Unit.	Part Grant
		In addition, I would like to request any communications between the Department of Public Expenditure and the Department of the Taoiseach regarding funding for the SCU that followed the lodging of a business case.	
<b>18 - 033</b>	Oireachtas/ Public Representative	I wish to request the information listed below under the Freedom of Information Acts 1997, 2003 and 2014:  All electronic and written correspondence between the Strategic Communications Unit in the Department of An Taoiseach and the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform, including any meetings, emails, discussions, reports and memos regarding the following: Project Ireland 2040; National Development Plan 2018-2027; and the National Planning Framework, including correspondence on all information and promotional campaigns and associated costs and budgets in the period to March 06 2018.	Part Grant
<b>18 - 035</b>	Journalist	Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request copies of all records relating to the increase in remuneration for the post of Director of the National Museum of Ireland. The new incumbent for this position will be in place later this year.	Refused
<b>18 - 036</b>	A Member of the Public	All records relating to the correspondence between Secretary General of Department Social Protection, Eddie Sullivan and Secretary General in Finance, John Hurley pertinent to the negotiations to transfer funds from the SW Insurance fund agreed prior to the budget announcement in December 2001. It is desired to be known where the impetus from this "raid" on the funds originated and it is in the knowledge that both Mr Hurley and Mr Sullivan were accounting officers with obligations to protect the SI fund by statute. This would apply in particular to Mr Sullivan.	Refused
<b>18 - 037</b>	Journalist	Can I request a detailed breakdown of expenses for ministers with regards to mobile phone purchases, equipment and expenses claimed. Please supply an excel spreadsheet and amounts reimbursed for elected members for phones for the current Dail and Seanad so far	Grant