

## FOI Disclosure Log

### Quarter 2 2020

Case ID	Requester Type	Request	Decision
20-070	Journalist	Access to all correspondence with the Office of the Regulator of the National Lottery between 2017 and to date in 2020 regarding the €16m in unclaimed prize money left over from the previous An Post National Lottery contract. Access to correspondence between the Department and Premier Lotteries Ireland since 2017, in relation to the €16m in unclaimed prizes. Access to any minutes of meetings between the Department and / or the Office of the Regulator of the National Lottery and Premier Lotteries Ireland in relation to the €16m since 2017.	Part Grant
20-071	Journalist	Copies of any briefing documents, submissions, reports, or other such records prepared for Minister Donohoe relating to a decision to reduce the level of fees paid to Nama chairperson and board, and for other roles in the asset management agency. Copies of any records held in the email account of Secretary General Robert Watt relating to the above.	Refused
20-072	Journalist	Sanctions from the department for salaries (in respect of civil or public servants with salaries above €110,000), relocation expenses, car allowances, bonus payments or performance-related pay, in excess of previously agreed rates. This request to cover the final sanction that issued from the Department. This request to cover the period from 1 December 2019 to 28 February 2020.	Part Grant
20-073	Member of the Public	Copies of all correspondence and records from 01 Feb 2020 to date, between the DOD and DPER regarding the decision not to pay MSA to Cadets redeployed away from their cadetship training and instead required to perform other tasking's not referred to in the "Terms & Conditions and General Information Regarding Officer Cadetships in the Defence Forces 2019".	Grant

20-074	Member of the Public	All correspondence on the issue of: Childcare provision to frontline healthcare workers, the documentation to the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform and from the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform. The dates are from and including the 29th February to 9th April 2020.	Part Grant
20-075	Member of the Public	<p>I wish to make a request under the Freedom of Information Acts 2014 about the roles and allowances of members of An Garda Síochána, and employees of other State agencies involved in criminal justice, assigned to work abroad in Irish embassies and international organisations. Specifically, I am seeking records relating to the following positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Garda personnel assigned to Irish Embassies and Garda Liaison Officers assigned to Europol, Interpol and MAOC (N).</li> <li>· Employees of the Revenue Commissioners assigned to Irish Embassies, Europol, MAOC (N) and any other international organisations involved in criminal justice.</li> <li>· Employees of the DPP and Chief State Solicitors Office assigned to Irish embassies, Eurojust and any other international organisations involved in criminal justice.</li> <li>· Seconded national experts based in Europol and Interpol</li> </ul> <p>I am seeking all records in respect of the aforementioned positions showing:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) The job descriptions for each position.</li> <li>(b) Agreements entered into by the Department of Foreign Affairs with other jurisdictions relating to or covering these positions, including in particular references to the diplomatic status and roles of these positions.</li> <li>(c) The rates of each allowance paid to the post-holder concerned between 1996 (when the Europol Drugs Agency was established) and 1 January 2020, and every change in the rate of such allowance during the intervening years".</li> <li>(d) The purpose of each such allowance.</li> <li>(e) The basis upon which each allowance was set and reviewed plus the process used to set/review the allowances.</li> </ol> <p>I am not seeking any personal information relating to these roles:I expect any such information to be redacted.</p>	Refused

<b>20-076</b>	Journalist	Minutes of all meetings of the Labour Employer Economic Forum held in March 2020 and April 2020 (up to current date, Apr 20)	Grant
<b>20-077</b>	Journalist	Copy of the "culture review" mentioned in the following image and mentioned in the following link: <a href="https://assets.gov.ie/73275/fb27d992e0ad457fae50e98bf6b25999.pdf">https://assets.gov.ie/73275/fb27d992e0ad457fae50e98bf6b25999.pdf</a>	Handled Outside
<b>20-079</b>	Member of the Public	All communications relating to a request from RTE to pay a 1% increase to members of the RTE defined benefit scheme. 1. between DPER and DCCAIE 2. Between DPER and NEW ERA 2. and between DPER and the Department of Finance	Part Grant
<b>20-081</b>	Journalist	All correspondence between the Northern Ireland Executive or its officials (or political staff on its behalf) and the Office of Government Procurement in relation to what NI Finance Minister Conor Murphy described as the 'joint order' with the Irish Government for PPE from China. This should include any discussions about payment between the Office and the NI Government.	Refused
<b>20-082</b>	Journalist	Copies of any records held referring or relating to the possibility that ministers would take a pay cut due to the COVID-19 crisis.	Part Grant
<b>20-084</b>	Member of the Public	Minutes of Meetings internally e-mails between Department of An Taoiseach and DPER. E-mails internal between Assistant Secretaries, PO's, AP's and HEO's within DPER. Paper documents and other electronic media regarding talks and discussions on public sector pay and any forthcoming cuts whether in draft form or finished documents. All documents from 17th of March 2020 to present.	Withdrawn
<b>20-085</b>	Member of the Public	According to the Freedom of Information Act 2014, I have the statutory right to obtain the reasons for decisions that affect me in matters involving any public body. I refer here to the rules section in the link below, bullet point 3. On that basis, I request to be informed of the reasons why point 5 was chosen as my proposed starting point given my 15 years of professional experience. <a href="https://www.citizensinformation.ie/en/government_in_ireland/national_government/standards_and_accountability/freedom_of_information.html#l1f4da">https://www.citizensinformation.ie/en/government_in_ireland/national_government/standards_and_accountability/freedom_of_information.html#l1f4da</a>	Grant

		This information can be provided either by your department or the department of Housing, however I would kindly ask that this matter be addressed urgently. I have now been trying to obtain this information since March and I still have not received an answer. I have instead been told repeatedly that candidates typically start on point 1 and that a special case was made for me to start on point 5. The continuous repetition of this fact does not address the reasons why point 5 was chosen.	
<b>20-086</b>	Journalist	Any correspondence, emails, attachments between officials/the minister in the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform, and Grayling Properties (either with Peter Horgan its CEO, or other representatives). Any internal correspondence between officials/the minister that relates to Grayling Properties and its correspondence. Minutes of any meetings, and copies of any reports, discussed at meetings with Grayling Properties. I would like any records from 1 Jan to 31 December 2019.	Part Grant
<b>20-087</b>	Journalist	Any correspondence from public sector bodies requesting a rent break/freeze or a license fee freeze in light of Covid-19. Any request from public sector bodies requesting a special exemption from the rules which state that that rent or fees cannot be waived as a result of Covid-19	Refused
<b>20-088</b>	Journalist	All representations from any and all ministers to Minister Donohoe since he took office in 2016 to date relating to the pay/terms and conditions of their special advisors.	Grant
<b>20-090</b>	Journalist	Copy of correspondence between the secretary general of the Department of Public Expenditure and the secretary general of the Department of Health since 25 February 2020. Copy of correspondence between the Minister for Public Expenditure and the Minister for Health since 25 February 2020.	Part Grant
<b>20-091</b>	Journalist	Correspondence sent to, from, and within the Department about the maternity leave, paternity leave, illness benefit and off-pay leave anomaly in the temporary wage subsidy scheme. This timeline to run from 1 March - 19 May. Complaints sent to the Department about the TWSS and maternity leave, paternity leave, illness benefit and off-pay leave, sent from 24 March - 19 May.	Part Grant

<b>20-092</b>	Journalist	Letters referred to in this lobby register entry, and all answering correspondence or records related to it, from the date of the letter(s) to the current date. <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/58236/spencer-dock-convention-centre-dublin-dac">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/58236/spencer-dock-convention-centre-dublin-dac</a>	Refused
<b>20-093</b>	Journalist	Any correspondence from City Jet sent to or from the secretary general or other officials regarding funding since 1 Jan. My request is partly based on email correspondence referred to in this entry on the lobbying register, but is not limited to it. <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/56689/cityjet-designated-activity-company">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/56689/cityjet-designated-activity-company</a>	Grant
<b>20-094</b>	Member of the Public	Emails between IBEC and special advisor on contactless payment limits - referenced on the lobbying register <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/58740/ibec">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/58740/ibec</a>	Transferred Out
<b>20-095</b>	Member of the Public	The amount that Dept of Public Expenditure and Reform spent on purchasing mobile phones for Departmental staff for work related business in the years 2018, 2019 and to-date in 2020 in tabular form. The grades of staff within the DPER that have been issued with a work related mobile phone in the years in question; The grade of staff member who approves if a staff member is to be issued with a phone e.g. (The request for a work related phone must be approved by an staff member at the grade of APO and above etc.). The name of the contract that was awarded the contract to supply mobile phones to staff e.g. Eir, Vodafone etc. and the date in which the contract for the supply of phones expires. During the years 2018, 2019 and to-date in 2020 and subsequent after signing the contract for the issuing of work related phones did any staff member of DPER meet or discuss e.g. email etc. with the mobile phone company that supplies the phone to discuss any aspect of the contract; if so could you send me a copy of the minutes of such meetings. Also could you send me a copy of the contract that was agreed between the Dept of PER and Mobile Phone Company regarding the issues of work related phones	Part Grant
<b>20-096</b>	Member of the Public	All correspondence from/to Assistant Secs in the DEPR and the Dept of An Taoiseach and minutes of meetings all from 1st April to 22 May on the subject of how pay will be impacted on individuals as a result of COVID 19.	Refused
<b>20-097</b>	Member of the Public	Any correspondence or minutes / records relating to meetings / phone calls between Minister Donohoe and Paul Hewson, also known as Bono, during 2020.	Refused

<b>20-098</b>	Member of the Public	Records of data-breaches from May 2018 until 2020. I am researching "the impact of the introduction of the GDPR mandatory data breach regime in the civil service from 2018 to 2020". Under the GDPR, organisations must keep a record of its data breaches. Please, send me that record, so I can gather statistical data such as, how many breaches happened on each year, 2018- 2020?; How many were reported to the Data Protection Commission or not?; what are the most and least recurrent breaches, e.g. human error, technology; what are the leading causes of data breaches, among others. Also, please send me reports or documents that contain information, graphs, tables, findings about data breaches during that period	Handled Outside
<b>20-099</b>	Journalist	Copies of any records held referring or relating to the Information Commissioner decision OIC-56404-R7G8Y1. This request to cover the period 1 April 2020 to date of receipt of the request.	Part Grant
<b>20-100</b>	Journalist	Copies of any records held referring or relating to the possibility of paying a work from home allowance to public servants during the Covid-19 crisis. For avoidance of doubt, it is the discussion reference in the following newspaper article: <a href="https://www.irishtimes.com/news/ireland/irish-news/government-rules-out-working-from-home-allowance-for-public-service-personnel-1.4260344">https://www.irishtimes.com/news/ireland/irish-news/government-rules-out-working-from-home-allowance-for-public-service-personnel-1.4260344</a> .This request should cover the period 1 April 2020 to date of receipt of the request.	Part Grant
<b>20-101</b>	Journalist	Copies of all records referring or relating to a decision by the government to award an additional €10 million in funding to Connacht Rugby as part of their redevelopment plans for their stadium. This request to cover the period 14 Jan 2020 to date of receipt of the request.	Transferred Out
<b>20-102</b>	Member of the Public	All briefings or correspondence prepared for the Minister or others, or correspondence between officials, in relation to the EU Commission announcement of the recovery package (multiannual financial framework and recovery fund) from May 25th 2020 to 2nd June 2020.	Part Grant
<b>20-103</b>	Member of the Public	I would like to have copies of correspondence between the Departments of Health and Public Expenditure, the Health Service Executive with the Irish Hospital Consultants Association, the Irish Medical Organization and the Private Hospitals Association for the period January 2020- April 2020 in respect of the takeover of the private hospitals by the HSE	Part Grant

		due to the coronavirus pandemic. I would be interested in any information held by your organization regarding my request. I understand that I do not have to specify particular files or documents and that it is the department's responsibility to provide information I require.	
<b>20-104</b>	Member of the Public	Correspondence between the Dept of Finance/ Office of Procurement (including Minister and any staff/advisors/ internally and between any other department, including any Government Dept/Ministers/staff/advisors/spads in Northern Ireland regarding its consideration, reaction, proposed response to, and response to previous freedom of information requests submitted regarding COVID 19 - specifically with regards to an order of PPE referred to publicly by the Northern Ireland Finance Minister Conor Murphy as a 'joint order with Dublin' between March 2020 and today's date.	Grant
<b>20-105</b>	Member of the Public	All records/correspondence between the Department of Justice and Equality and the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform in relation to an application for an On-Call/Out of Hours Allowance for the Assistant Principal Officer Post in the Border Management Unit, Dublin Airport.	Part Grant
<b>20-106</b>	Journalist	All correspondence between the Department of Public Expenditure secretary general Robert Watt and the secretaries general of the Departments of the Taoiseach, Health, Social Protection and Business regarding Covid-19 and the government response between the period 01 March 2020 and 11 June 2020.	Refused
<b>20-108</b>	Member of the Public	The various rates of allowances paid to public servants working in London area (to include Shrivvenham) for the years 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020. Allowances of interest include; Rent Allowance, Cost of Living Allowance, Local Post Allowance and Child Foreign Allowance	Grant
<b>20-109</b>	Oireachtas/Elected Representative	All correspondence and communications of any kind whatsoever between the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform, its employees, the Minister for PER and/or his advisers and other civil servants and/or the Fianna Fáil, Fine Gael and/or the Green Party or their representatives regarding their programme for Government negotiations.	Refused
<b>20-110</b>	Journalist	All correspondence sent and received between secretary general Robert Watt to other departments, on the topic of policies and issues discussed as part of the Programme for	Refused

		Government 2020. Analysis compiled by DPER or the Dep of Finance in relation to policies and issues discussed as part of the Programme for Government 2020.	
<b>20-111</b>	Member of the Public	A copy of any correspondence, records, or documentation between DPER and any other public body, elected representative (or their agent), or government department relating to the provision of resources (including, but not limited to, financial, technical, accommodation, or services) to the Office of the Data Protection Commission between the 15th of April 2020 and the 15th of June 2020.	Refused
<b>20-112</b>	Journalist	All correspondence between the Northern Ireland Executive or its officials (or political staff on its behalf) and the Office of Government Procurement in relation to what NI Finance Minister Conor Murphy described as the 'joint order' with the Irish Government for PPE from China. This should include any discussions about payment between the Office and the NI Government.	Part Grant
<b>20-113</b>	Journalist	The minutes of all Project 2040 Delivery Board meetings between 1st June 2019 and 16th June 2020	Grant
<b>20-114</b>	Member of the Public	I am looking for a copy of a letter and related correspondence from the Minister for Finance to the Department of Health and the HSE in August 2019, stating that no further money was to be spent on new medicines.	Transferred Out
<b>20-115</b>	Member of the Public	The total amount of money the Office of Government Procurement spent on imports of PPE in the following months Jan 2020-June 2020. A monthly breakdown by PPE product type/category for the above months, to include the following: FFP3 masks, FFP2 masks, Surgical masks, Nitrile gloves, Hospital gowns and Hospital aprons. A monthly breakdown of PPE imports for the above months by country of origin, to include the following, China, South Korea, Malaysia, Israel, and EU, USA. A monthly breakdown of the PPE counterparties for PPE imports for Jan 2020-June 2020	Withdrawn
<b>20-116</b>	Journalist	All correspondence to the Department in relation to a PPE order/ request for Northern Ireland (from either members of the Assembly or Stormont officials). The timeframe for this query is 1 March - 5 June 2020. All correspondence from the Department in response to a PPE order/ request for Northern Ireland (to either members of the Assembly or Stormont	Part Grant



		officials). The timeframe for this query is 1 March - 5 June 2020. Correspondence sent from the 30 & 31 March in relation to the volume of PPE equipment requested for Northern Ireland, and whether it could be delivered (costs can be redacted).	
<b>20-118</b>	Member of the Public	Any record, including but not limited to minutes, of any meeting held or communication between the Minister and/or his officials, and any member or representative of the Licenced Vintners Association (the "LVA") and/or the Vintners' Federation of Ireland (the "VFI") from 1 February 2020 to present. Any record prepared in advance of, or subsequent to, a meeting referred to at item 1 above for the purposes of preparing for such a meeting, briefing a participant at such as meeting, analysing the outcome of such a meeting, or otherwise referable to such a meeting. Any record, including but not limited to minutes, of any meeting held or communication between the Minister and/or his officials, and any member of the Oireachtas, or a member of their staff or their representative, from 1 February 2020 to present relating to and/or referring to both Covid-19 and/or the coronavirus, as well as the actual or potential closure of public houses. Any record prepared in advance of, or subsequent to, a meeting referred to at item 3 above for the purposes of preparing for such a meeting, briefing a participant at such a meeting, analysing the outcome of such a meeting, or otherwise referable to such a meeting. Any record considering, analysing, assessing or recommending the closure of public houses related to the Covid-19 Pandemic.	Grant
<b>20-119</b>	Member of the Public	Any correspondence between the Department of Finance and the Department of Housing about the recruitment of personnel to the Land Development Agency. This would include correspondence about recruitment to specific posts as well as policy issues pertaining recruitment to the LDA. The timescale for my request is from 13 September 2018 to 20 June 2020.	Transferred Out
<b>20-120</b>	Journalist	All correspondence sent and received between the Minister / department secretary general, and either Facebook, Apple, or Google, between 1st March and 22nd June 2020	Refused
<b>20-121</b>	Journalist	A detailed breakdown of the costs associated with the 2020 general election. A detailed breakdown of the costs associated with the 2020 Seanad election.	Refused

<b>20-122</b>	Member of the Public	<p>My freedom of information request is in relation to the Kingscourt regeneration project which is led by Cavan County Council. It was today 25th June 2020 included in the announcement of €13 million in funding for 24 projects across the country under the Rural Regeneration and Development Fund. Kingscourt in Co. Cavan was allocated €787,500 which will go towards the development of a carpark and public realm works in the town.</p> <p>I am requesting freedom of information on:</p> <p>(1) Who made the application on behalf of Cavan County council.</p> <p>(2) Where in Kingscourt is the proposed car park to be located?</p> <p>(3) Is it proposed that said car park will be used as a paid parking facility?</p> <p>(4) What is the estimated price for the construction of said car park?</p> <p>(5) Has full planning permission been granted for this project?</p> <p>(6) What is the projected capacity for said car park?</p>	Withdrawn
<b>20-123</b>	Member of the Public	A copy of the briefing document drawn up by the Secretary General/senior Dept official outlining the main issues facing the newly appointed Minister for Public Expenditure	Part Grant
<b>20-124</b>	Journalist	Copy of briefing material prepared by the department for the Minister on his appointment	Part Grant
<b>20-125</b>	Oireachtas/Elected Representative	A copy of the incoming Minister's brief on areas covered/ previously covered by your Department.	Part Grant
<b>20-126</b>	Journalist	I wish to request, under the Freedom of Information Act, access to the briefing provided to the new Minister.	Part Grant
<b>20-127</b>	Member of the Public	An electronic copy of the 2020 Ministerial Brief for the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform.	Part Grant
<b>20-128</b>	Member of the Public	A copy of the briefing document prepared for the new Minister	Part Grant