

FOI Disclosure Log

Quarter 4 2018

Case ID	Requester Type	Request	Decision
18-166	Member of the Public	The information requested is any paperwork for the sanction for a promotion competition of up to 29 Sergeants positions/civilian equivalent and 6 Inspector positions/civilian equivalent in the ICT section of An Garda Síochána. Possible Garda Correspondence Record 120780/13	Refused
18-167	Member of the Public	The salary increases of Secretary Generals of Government Departments over the past 8 years.	Grant
18-168	Member of the Public	Copy of all records of correspondence and communications between the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform and other government departments and state agencies to include but not be limited to the Department of Agriculture, Department of Education, the Valuation Office and the Irish Greyhound Board on the proposed and actual sale of Harold's Cross greyhound stadium.	Part Grant
18-169	Member of the Public	The staff turnover in the central policy unit (FOI) in DPER since Jan 2014 to June 2018. The staff turnover in the open data unit in DPER since Jan 2014 to June 2018. The staff turnover of the various business units for the period Jan 2014 to June 2018. All documents / notes / emails related to the transfer of staff	Refused

		back from the Open Data unit in DPER 2015 - 2017 to the CSO and any notes on any complaints made by staff related to work practices. All documents / notes / emails related to staffing matters and on any complaints made by staff related to work practices or issues with the management style	
18-170	Member of the Public	<p>1. Cá mhéad airgid atá caite ag An Roinn Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe ar sheirbhísí trí Ghaeilge agus thionscadail, deontáisí, imeachtaí nó eile atá bainte leis an nGaeilge le ceithre bhliain anuas?</p> <p>2. Briseadh síos ar na costais seo don tréimhse ceánna de réir bliana.</p> <p>3. Cén céatadán é seo den chaiteachas iomlán don tréimhse seo de réir bliana?</p> <p>How much money has been spent by the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform on services in Irish and on projects, grants, events or anything else related to Irish in the last four years?</p> <p>A breakdown of these costs for the same period by year.</p> <p>What percentage is this of the total expenditure for this period by year?</p>	Grant
18-171	Journalist	Copies of all correspondence and representations made to Minister for Finance Paschal Donohue in relation to the Human Capital Initiative prior to its announcement in his budget speech on the 9th October.	Part Grant
18-172	Journalist	Copies of any correspondence between your Department and the Oireachtas related to the travel and accommodation	Part Grant

		<p>allowance in period 1 January 2017 to date of receipt of this request.</p> <p>- copies of any records held relating to any discussion over size of the travel and accommodation allowance and whether it is sufficient given increases in the costs of accommodation in Dublin. This request to cover same time period as above.</p>	
18-173	Member of the Public	The successful tender documentation relating to the contract for supply of fresh bread products to the Defence Forces and Irish Prison Services	Refused
18-174	Journalist	Briefing material prepared for bi-lateral meetings between the Minister for Public Expenditure and the Minister for Education and/or Department of Education senior officials from assistant secretary upwards, relating to Budget 2019	Part Grant
18-175	Member of the Public	In relation to a tender awarded for the provision of stationery, printing paper and office supplies which was previously carried out, may I be provided with the details of the awarded tender, the product and price agreed and all the details of the tender? The tender is now closed and contract awarded so there is no commercially sensitive information as the tender is no historic	Grant
18-178	Oireachtas/Public Representative	All records, including emails, correspondence, memos, minutes of meetings, records of phone calls, digital copies of other files and any other relevant documents, both internal and with external, between the period July 1st 2014 and September 30th 2017, which relate to the development of O'Devaney Gardens.	Part Grant
18-179	Journalist	Copy of all correspondence between the Office of Government Procurement and the Department of Health and between the Office of Government Procurement and the HSE regarding health service procurement since 01 May 2018	Part Grant

18-180	Journalist	Copies of all correspondence between the Dept. and the Dept. of Employment & Social Affairs and/or Regina Doherty TD relating to restoration of the Christmas bonus. Copies of any briefings/submissions/memoranda prepared for Minister Donohoe relating to restoration of the Christmas bonus.	Part Grant
18-181	Member of the Public	Copies of any guidelines/instructions/practice regarding the files and/or materials that should be retained in an officer's Personnel File.	Withdrawn
18-182	Member of the Public	A copy of emails sent by Amazon UK Services to chief information officer Barry Lowry regarding potential for use of cloud services in the public sector. As outlined on the lobbying register. Seeking records from 1 May, 2018 to 31 Aug, 2018 inclusive.	Grant
18-183	Journalist	<p>Based on filings on Lobbying.ie, I am aware that Vodafone has been in correspondence with Department of Public Expenditure and Reform Secretary General Robert Watt and held a meeting between May and September of this year.</p> <p>- https://www.lobbying.ie/return/31839/vodafone-ireland</p> <p>I would like the following information in relation to this lobbying to be released.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Correspondence between representatives for Vodafone and Department of Public Expenditure and Reform Secretary General Robert Watt between May 2018 and September 2018 - Notes prepared for meeting between the two parties and minutes taken at said meeting. 	Part Grant
18-184	Journalist	<p>Correspondence between Barry Lowry (Chief Information Officer of Department of Public Expenditure and Reform) and Amazon UK Services Ltd between April and September 2018.</p> <p>Based on filings on Lobbying.ie, I am aware that Amazon has been</p>	Grant

		in touch with the Lowry in relation to provision of cloud services to the public sector. - https://www.lobbying.ie/return/32213/amazon-uk-services-ltd	
18-185	Journalist	Copies of all documents (correspondence, minutes, WhatsApp messages etc.) relating to interactions between members of the OPW and the department in respect of the Phoenix Park from 1 January 2018 to today's date 7th November 2018.	Part Grant
18-186	Member of the Public	All correspondence between the former Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, Brendan Howlin TD., and/or the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform with the Law Society of Ireland in relation to the determination made by the former Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform on 21 April 2016 pursuant to section 6(7) of the Freedom of Information Act 2014 determining that the Law Society of Ireland is not a public body for the purpose of the said Act and therefore not amenable to freedom of information requests generally; and All correspondence between the former Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, Brendan Howlin TD., and/or the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform with the Information Commissioner Peter Tyndall and/or the Office of the Information Commissioner in relation to the determination made by the former Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform on 21 April 2016 pursuant to section 6(7) of the Freedom of Information Act 2014 determining that the Law Society of Ireland is not a public body for the purpose of the said Act and therefore not amenable to freedom of information requests generally.	Part Grant
18-187	Journalist	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	Refused

		<p>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. & State bodies and to include all communications to and from the Dept., and other bodies/Depts. related to the request. This request to cover only the period since my last such request.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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. - 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. 	
18-188	Personal	<p>Any records relating to the employer submission to the Public Service Pay Commission, including phase 1 and 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Any records relating to the HSE submissions to the Public Service Pay Commission, including Phase 1 and 2 - Any records relating to the Department of Health submission to the Public Service Pay Commission, including Phase 1 and 2 - Any correspondence with the Department of Finance, Department of Health, Department of Taoiseach and the HSE relating to the submissions to the Public Service Pay Commission, including Phase 1 and 2 - Any records of meetings between the Minister, or Officials from the Department, and the HSE or Department of Health relating to the submissions to the Public Service Pay Commission, including Phase 1 and 2 - Any correspondence between the Department or Minister and 	Refused

		<p>the Public Service Pay Commission or its members relating to pay in the health service</p> <p>- Any records of meetings between the Minister, or Officials from the Department, and the Public Service Pay Commission or its members, including in the three months before their appointment in October 2016.</p>	
18-189	Journalist	<p>Copies of any records discussing whether the government would continue to publish details of pensions paid to former officeholders, ministers, etc. due to concerns over GDPR. This request to cover period 1 January 2018 to date of receipt of this request. Searches of any relevant private email addresses and/or messaging services should be considered when processing this request.</p>	Part Grant
18-190	Oireachtas/Public Representative	<p>All details of requests, reports or estimates of the cost of the National Broadband Plan or the rollout of fibre to the home to rural Ireland for the years 2017 and to date in 2018.</p> <p>All details of meetings to discuss the potential cost of the National Broadband Plan to date in 2018.</p>	Part Grant
18-192	Member of the Public	<p>Any records for the sanction of any posts to be sanctioned or any competition to be ran in the ICT section of An Garda Síochána since 18th May of 2014 onwards to current.</p>	Part Grant
18-193	Member of the Public	<p>Any Correspondence between the Dept. of Public Expenditure and Reform and the Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht in respect of funding for Budget 2019</p>	Part Grant
18-194	Member of the Public	<p>Any Correspondence between the Dept. of Public Expenditure and Reform and the Department of Justice and Equality in respect of funding for Budget 2019</p>	Part Grant

18-195	Member of the Public	Any Correspondence between the Dept. of Public Expenditure and Reform and the Department of Defence in respect of funding for Budget 2019	Part Grant
18-196	Member of the Public	Any Correspondence between the Dept. of Public Expenditure and Reform and the Department of Education and Skills in respect of funding for Budget 2019	Part Grant
18-197	Member of the Public	<p>In the matter of the Disclosure Tribunal established by Law on the 17th February 2017, a full individualised financial breakdown is requested of the payments made to the all legal personnel and entities mentioned below.</p> <p>2. Please provide copies of the all supporting documents relative to this expenditure.</p> <p>3. In the event that the complete quantum has not been established please provide the figures available to date. A statement of daily rates is required where applicable.</p>	Refused
18-198	Member of the Public	<p>Any procedures or agreements that exist in the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform in relation to the 'regularisation' of Assistant Principals Officers, who work in the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform, as Assistant Principal Officers 1.</p> <p>2. Any agreement/s between the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform and the Association of Higher Civil and Public Servants regarding the 'regularisation' of Assistant Principal Officers who work in the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform, as Assistant Principal Officers 1.</p> <p>3. Any documentation relating to how this 'regularisation' takes place and what it involves.</p> <p>4. The number of Assistant Principal Officers who work in the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform who have been 'regularised' as Assistant Principal Officers 1 in each of the last 13</p>	Grant

		<p>years (2006 – 2018).</p> <p>5. Any documents relating to these procedures, agreements and 'regularisations', whether they are classified under the title 'regularisation' or under any other title.</p>	
18-199	Member of the Public	<p>Relating to the approval by the Minister of "The Irish Aviation Authority Staff Superannuation (Amendment) Scheme 2011"</p> <p>1. A copy of the request to the Minister for approval of the amendment including any submissions made by the IAA Scheme Trustees.</p> <p>2. Details of assurances, if any, given to the Minister that the proposed amendment is in accordance with the law, Scheme Trust Deed and Rules.</p> <p>3. The criteria used and reasons for the Minister's approval of the amendment.</p>	Part Grant
18-200	Member of the Public	<p>Contracts for Mini-Competitions and Standalone Awards Title of Contract:</p> <p>Motorcycles up to 50 Kilowatt engine power output Supplier: Honda Distributors Two Wheels Ltd</p> <p>Location of Works/Services: Nationwide</p> <p>Contract Signing Date: 09/06/2015 Contract Start Date:09/06/2015</p>	Part Grant
18-201	Journalist	<p>Access to any correspondence in 2018 between the National Shared Services Office and the Department in relation to cost of the Finance Management Shared Service Centre project or in relation to the timeline of the rollout of the project.</p> <p>I also wish to request, under FOI, minutes of any meetings between the NSSO and Department in relation to the rollout of the FMSSC project during 2018.</p>	Part Grant

18-202	Journalist	All documents prepared by the Department for the briefings carried out by the secretary general and/or other officials as part of the recent review of the Fine Gael-Fianna Fáil confidence and supply agreement.	Grant
18-203	Journalist	A list of any reports/consultancy/audits/or other work carried out for your organisation by Peter Smyth Management Consultancy Limited (or Peter Smyth) in the years 2012 to current year. - Details of the amount paid in fees to the above company and individual in each of the years 2012 to current year.	Part Grant
18-204	Journalist	Copies of all correspondence between DPER and An Garda Síochána with regard to the promotion of 425 Gardaí to the rank of sergeant and the promotion of 209 sergeants to the rank of inspector. This request to cover period 1 June 2018 to date of receipt of this request.	Handled Outside
18-205	Journalist	A breakdown of expenditure spent on publicity (i.e. PR, advertising, marketing, social media etc.) for 2018 and 2017. This breakdown should include how much, to whom the money was given and for what purpose.	Grant
18-206	Journalist	All correspondence between Minister of State Finian McGrath and Minister for Public Expenditure Paschal Donohoe between the period 01 January 2018 and the present day.	Grant
18-207	Journalist	A copy of all correspondence between the Minister/Minister for State and John Delaney from January 1 2010 to present. A copy of any internal memos, notes, or minutes in relation to meetings between John Delaney and the Minister/Minister for State from January 1 2010 to present.	Grant