

Pensions Authority's Disclosure Log

The FOI Act requires the Pensions Authority to publish a Disclosure Log, which contains details of the types of requests received under FOI since January 2016 and the decisions made by the body in response to those requests.

The Pensions Authority's FOI Disclosure Log is available below.

Disclosures are listed in order of the date the request was received by the Pensions Authority. Please note that, for privacy reasons, identifying information such as the name of the requester is not included in the Disclosure Log.

Date of Request	Category of Requester	Description of Request	Decision made	Date of release
08 February 2016	Journalist	Copies of all correspondence and representations made and received since January 2014 in relation to the entitlement of a holder of a personal retirement bond, who was previously in a defined benefit pension scheme, to invest in an approved retirement fund.	Part granted	07 March 2016
21 April 2016	Individual	A copy of all correspondence between the trustees of a pension scheme and the Pensions Authority from January 2009 to date.	Granted	20 June 2016
15 June 2016	Member of the Oireachtas	All correspondence between the Pensions Authority and stakeholders regarding concerns or warnings raised and alternatives proposed, regarding the viability and sustainability of the current range of pension tax reliefs offered over the coming years since 2012.	Granted	12 July 2016
08 November 2016	Member of an organisation	Records on unclaimed pension policies for the years 2014, 2015 & 2016.	Refused as the Pensions	21 November 2016

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15 December 2016	Individual	<p>The total amount collected in fees by the Pension Authority in 2014 & 2015 in respect of pension schemes and broken down by scheme type - (a) Defined Benefit Schemes (b) Defined Contribution Schemes (c) Trust RAC (d) PRSA.</p> <p>The total number of individuals who are in each type of scheme as outlined in (a) (b) (c) and (d) above.(e.g. number in DB, number in DC etc.)</p> <p>The average fund value, per individual, for each type of scheme (a) (b) (c) and (d) above.</p>	Part granted	24 January 2017
27 January 2017	Business/Interest Group	<p>In relation to a pension scheme, a copy of all records detailing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the application to the Pensions Authority for an Order under Section 50 of the Pensions Act; • the approval of any direction regarding the pension plan; • any plans to remove guaranteed pensions increases; • any consultations with members of the pension scheme regarding the implementation of a cap on pensionable salary increases; and • communications with the employer and trustees about the scheme. 	Part granted	24 March 2017

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27 February 2017	Journalist	A list of external legal practitioners (solicitors/law firms and barristers) paid in 2015 and 2016 for services carried out on behalf of the Pensions Authority, including the name of the practitioner, the sum paid and, where possible, a general description of the work carried out.	Granted	24 March 2017
16 May 2017	Individual	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amount (in €) of pension payments to pension beneficiaries within the EU per year. • Amount (in €) of pension payments to non-resident pension beneficiaries per year. • The average pension (in € per month) paid to these countries. • Top three countries of non-resident pension beneficiaries. • Amount (in €) of overpaid pensions for non-resident pension beneficiaries per year. 	Transferred to the Department of Social Protection	18 May 2017
10 October 2017	Business/Interest Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of corporate Personal Retirement Bonds / Buy-Out-Bonds in existence. • Number of individuals with assets in corporate Personal Retirement Bonds / Buy-Out-Bonds. • Estimated value of total assets held within corporate Personal Retirement Bonds / Buy-Out-Bonds. • Number of retail individual Personal Retirement Bonds / Buy-Out-Bonds in existence. • Estimated value of total assets held within retail individual Personal Retirement Bonds / Buy-Out-Bonds. 	Refused as the Pensions Authority do not hold these records	18 October 2017
17 October 2017	Individual	Request for all records maintained in relation to the policy of the Pensions Authority in relation to prosecutions of alleged	Part granted	14 November 2017

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		breaches of section 58A(1) of the Pensions Act 1990 to include details in respect of the number of prosecutions commenced, details of the number of letters before action and details and records in relation to policy and procedure.		
19 October 2017	Individual	A copy of all recorded correspondence between the Pensions Authority and the requester's pension scheme between 1 April 2015 and April 2017.	Granted	13 November 2017
08 January 2018	Individual	A funding proposal submitted to and approved by the Pension Authority in 2012 for the purpose of addressing a minimum funding standard deficit in a named scheme.	Granted	02 February 2018
20 February 2018	Interest Group	All communications and representations received by the Pensions Authority from Associated groups and employees of two named pension schemes, as to the internal administration and governance of both schemes.	Granted	27 March 2018
15 March 2018	Individual	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copies of all correspondence between a named pension scheme and the Pensions Authority in the year 2009 • Copies of all correspondence regarding Funding Proposals • Correspondence in relation to a Section 59 (Pensions Act 1990) complaint to the Pensions Authority in 2017. 	Granted	13 April 2018
22 May 2018	Business/Interest Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Interim / final reports and determinations and conclusions reached by the Pensions Authority subsequent to a fact-finding exercise in 2016 into a named pension scheme. • All decisions made by the Pensions Authority in respect of the governance of a scheme on foot of a letter sent by the Authority to the trustees of the scheme in 2016 	Part granted	24 July 2018

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All correspondence from the Pensions Authority to certain members in respect of the fact-finding exercise. 		
17 September 2018	Individual	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A statement of reasons explaining why the Authority made a section 50 decision in respect of a named pension scheme A copy of the application for a section 50 decision, and a copy of the decision issued by the Authority and a copy of any other documents that influenced the Authority or the Authority used in reaching their decision in relation to a named pension scheme. 	Granted	15 October 2018