



An Roinn Airgeadais
Department of Finance

Department of Finance Annual Report under Section 22 of the Protected Disclosures Act 2014

1 January – 31 December 2020



Background

The Department of Finance has put in place policy and procedures for the making of Protected Disclosures in the Department, which have been developed in line with the Protected Disclosures Act, 2014 and agreed by the Department's Executive Board. This sets out the process by which a 'worker' of the Department can make a protected disclosure, what will happen when a disclosure is made and what the Department will do to protect the discloser.

The process supports the Department's strong commitment to ensuring that the culture and working environment of the Department encourage, facilitate and support any member of staff of the Department in 'speaking up' on any issue that may impact adversely on the Department's ability to properly and fully carry out all its roles and responsibilities to the high performance standard required.

Annual Report

Each public body is required (under Section 22 of the Act) to publish an annual report setting out the number of protected disclosures received in the preceding year and the action taken (if any). This report must not result in persons making disclosures being identifiable. This is the 2020 annual report of the Department of Finance under Section 22 of the Act covering the period 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020.

In 2020 there were no protected disclosures reported to the Department.



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