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02/07/2021 17481	Member of Business/Interest Group	<p>All training material related to the processing of applications, and the carrying out of reviews, of Rent Supplement claims.</p> <p>Any memo, circular, instruction or direction given to Department staff regarding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •the processing of Rent Supplement claims and reviews of that payment relating specifically to 'long term housing need' or the Housing Assistance Payment. •the issuing of directions to recipients of Rent Supplement under Section 198(3G) of the Social Welfare Consolidation Act 2005 and directions to claimants to apply for Social Housing Support. •Statutory Instrument No. 411 of 2014 and the Explanatory Note of same S.I. 	Granted	28/07/2021
06/07/2021 17489	Journalist	All correspondence from 1 March 2021 to date, between the Department and representatives of Danske Bank in relation to payments made to overseas pension recipients and additional transfer charges.	Part Granted	01/09/2021
09/07/2021 17505	Member of the Public	Copies of the Freedom of Information decision letters issued by the Department to individuals, (excluding companies, business interest groups, Oireachtas members, Public Officials, Journalists), which didn't include information on the reduced rate fee for appeals during the period 26/05/2020 and 26/05/2021.	Refused	15/09/2021
12/07/2021 17518	Member of the Public	<p>Copy of the material contained in the 2020 Budget Brief prepared for the Minister in relation to the following measure (announced as part of Budget 2020):</p> <p>"Eligibility for the Household Benefits package to be broadened for people under 70 that will allow for another adult to reside in the household."</p>	Granted	27/07/2021
07/07/2021 17545	Journalist	The number of complaints and the categorisation of these complaints, made against social welfare staff and Intreo Centres in the years 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and to date in 2021.	Granted	05/08/2021

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19/07/2021 17551	Member of the Public	Any correspondence between the Department and Revenue on the subject of the operation of the Temporary Wage Subsidy Scheme and Jobseekers Benefit between 1 March 2020 and 13 July 2021. Any correspondence between the Department and Aer Lingus on the matters of Jobseekers Benefit, Short-time Work Support, or Temporary Wage Subsidy Scheme for same dates.	Part Granted	17/08/2021
19/07/2021 17552	Journalist	All correspondence between the Department and The Department of Public Expenditure, and The Department of Higher and Further Education about the policy implications of having large numbers of students on the pandemic unemployment payment, from 1 September 2020 to present.	Granted	17/08/2021
23/07/2021 17585	Member of the Public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All details on the lotto system or algorithm removed by your Department to arrange referral of unemployed to the Seetec/Jobpath programme. • All information/records available in relation to the required qualification/s, background and experience of employment advisors (as well as any optional or mandatory training provided) whom I understand are contracted by the Department under the Seetec/Jobpath programme. 	Part Granted	23/08/2021
29/07/2021 17604	Member of Business/Interest Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The total number of women who have applied for the State Pension (Contributory) who could be assessed under the Homemaker's Scheme or the HomeCaring Periods Scheme, but for being born before 1 September 1946. • The breakdown by gender of applicants born prior to 1 September 1946 who were refused any State Pension (Contributory) personal payments due to lack of credits. • Details (broken down by gender and rate band) of those in receipt of PRC as a result of being eligible for (a) the Homemaker's Scheme and (b) the HomeCaring Periods Scheme. 	Part Granted	16/09/2021
29/07/2021 17606	Member of the Public	All data on deaths from 1st of January 2020 to July 2021.	Part Granted	25/08/2021
30/07/2021 17609	Journalist	List of all employers that have signed up to take part in the Work Placement Experience Programme.	Refused	05/08/2021

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03/08/2021 17614	Journalist	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The number of allegations of social welfare fraud that were received by the Department in each of the years 2019, 2020 and 2021. 2. The number of allegations sent forward for investigation per year. 3. The number of these allegations that were dismissed with no action taken per year. 4. The number of allegations that, upon investigation, were found to be false or have no supporting evidence per year. 5. The number of allegations that resulted in a positive finding that a fraud had taken place per year. 6. The number of cases in each year where overpayments were detected and found to be as a result of a clerical error or misapplication of a scheme rule. 	Granted	31/08/2021
11/08/2021 17655	Member of the Public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If any offers of mobility for Executive Officer, were offered for Zone 41 during the time period of 20/10/2020 – 30/03/2021. • If Offers were made, what number on the waitlist received offers. 	Part Granted	07/09/2021
13/08/2021 17670	Member of Oireachtas	All information including correspondence, text and WhatsApp messages and documentation, memos held by the Department regarding an event hosted by former Minister Katherine Zappone held in the Merrion Hotel on 21 July 2021.	Refused	30/08/2021
20/08/2021 17711	Member of the Public	A copy of the Collective Redundancy Notification submitted to the Minister by Ryanair in April/May 2020.	Refused	01/10/2021
24/08/2021 17727	Member of the Public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The exact number of Personal Data Breach notifications submitted by the Department to the Data Protection Commission under Article 33 of the GDPR in 2019 & 2020 specifically relating to the processing of the Public Services Card. • Please provide the information in tabular form, to include a breakdown of the numbers of High, Medium and Low risk breaches notified per annum. 	Granted	20/09/2021
25/08/2021 17732	Journalist	All records relating to payments made to Hotel Merrion Ltd (t/a The Merrion Hotel) for the period 1 January 2020 - 24 August 2021.	Granted	22/09/2021
31/08/2021 17760	Journalist	The number of anonymous tip offs made to the Department in relation to welfare fraud in County Clare, broken down by the nature of tip off, in the years 2015 to 2020 inclusive and in 2021 up to and including the date of this request.	Part Granted	28/09/2021

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01/09/2021 17766	Journalist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Copies of any briefings, submissions, memos, speaking notes, or other such review/overview/discussion documents prepared for the Minister or the Department's Secretary General with regard to the proliferation of mobile phone scam calls. This request to cover the period 1 July 2021 to date of receipt of the request. Copies of any correspondence between the Department and ComReg with regard to the above in the period 1 Apr 2021 to date of receipt of the request. 	Refused	28/09/2021
20/09/2021 17842	Member of Business/Interest Group	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Access to the still births register. All still births registered from 2015 - present 2021. Area specific data, per county, for still births 2015-2021. 	Part Granted	23/09/2021
17/09/2021 17853	Journalist	A list of fees paid to external individuals/companies for motivational speeches (not including training) and/or promotional event appearances for 2019, 2020 and the first six months of 2021.	Part Granted	30/09/2021
28/09/2021 17893	Interest Groups	All analysis conducted on the impact of the Regional Employment Service on Local Employment Services and Job Clubs, and all briefing notes and submissions prepared for the Minister on the matter since June 2020.	Refused	26/10/2021
29/09/2021 17901	Journalist	Access to correspondence between Shabra Plastics and Minister Humphreys during 2021, to include notes/minutes of any meetings between the company and the Minister.	Refused	03/11/2021