

Date Received	Category of Requester	Request	Decision Made	Date of Decision
05/04/2022 18894	Journalist	Copies of any meeting minutes from the Department's Management Board in the last 6 months.	Part Granted	03/05/2022
08/04/2022 18908	Member of the Public	The records relating to the stillbirth register for 2021, 2020 and 2019.	Granted	11/04/2022
08/04/2022 18909	Member of the Public	The stress tests, cost benefit analysis etc the Department has conducted on the additional pressure on the system due to the hundreds of thousands of extra service users expected due to the Ukraine situation, and the refusal of the government to avail of the opt out for refugees negotiated during Lisbon 2.	Refused	11/05/2022
19/04/2022 18961	Member of the Public	With regard to commencement of earnings notifications issued in error during 2019 – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •When was the systems error first discovered by the Department. •What steps were taken by the Department when it first became aware of the issue. •The no of incorrect notification letters were included in the batch erroneously issued in 2019. •The nature of the DSP systems technical issue that resulted in this error. •The number of claimants informed of this error wnd when they were notified. •A copy of the commencement of earnings notification that would have issued in or around November/December 2020. 	Granted	17/05/2022
19/04/2022 18968	Member of the Public	The circumstances in which medical data is subject to review or disclosure on foot of a complaint or query, anonymous or otherwise, for example, upon the request of a member of An Garda Síochána.	Part Granted	12/05/2022
21/04/2022 18977	Member of the Public	I seek clarification of the entity which is the Department of Social Protection.	Part Granted	19/05/2022
21/04/2022 18979	Journalist	Details regarding expenses incurred by the Minister and Department's Junior Minister(s) during St Patrick's Day programme visits abroad this year, specifically: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The cost of travel and accommodation for the Minister •The cost of travel and accommodation for any advisers or other staff of the Minister •The cost of any gifts (including shamrock) incurred by the Department for the trip •Any other costs associated for the trip •A copy of all receipts associated with the trip. 	Refused	17/05/2022

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22/04/2022 18983	Journalist	Correspondence between the Minister/Ministers of State in the Department and the Department's Secretary General, between 1 April and 22 April 2022.	Part Granted	21/06/2022
22/04/2022 18984	Journalist	Copy of any briefings, submissions, reports, Q&As, or other such overview, discussions or explanatory documents prepared for the Minister or Secretary General from 1 January 2022 to date, with regard to the level of fees to be applied to the proposed automatic enrolment pension scheme.	Refused	13/05/2022
04/05/2022 19048	Member of the Public	A list of company names/trading names and potentially addresses of those receiving financial supports under the Wage Subsidy Scheme (Disability) in Cork City and County in 2021-22 or most recent year.	Refused	01/06/2022
09/05/2022 19077	Journalist	From 1 January 2021 to date – •Copies of reviews and audits conducted by the Department with findings of concern about use of Tus funding by organisations in receipt of that funding. •Any follow up correspondence/reports generated in each case.	Part Granted	02/06/2022
09/05/2022	Other	Does the department of social protection or any of its staff carry out aptitude tests for private companies in Ireland or has it done so at any stage?	Refused	08/06/2022
26/05/2022 19176	Journalist	From 1 January 2017 to 27 May 2022 where the Department organised exhibitions, conferences etc using the paid services of guest speakers, broadcasters or others as required, I seek copies of records created in relation to this, to include but not be limited to, the following: •Records of events where paid services of MCs, conference hosts, after-dinner speakers, conference or event moderators, broadcasters etc. were acquired •Records of the names of the people hired for each of these events •Individual pay for these persons per event.	Part Granted	20/07/2022
26/05/2022 19178	Member of the Public	Historical data on the number of - •Investigations carried out by social welfare inspectors annually from 1990-2010; •Reductions, terminations and cases of fraud recorded annually from 1990-2010; and •Any information on the legal basis for prosecuting persons criminally for social welfare fraud.	Part Granted	15/06/2022

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30/05/2022 19193	Journalist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Copy of any briefings/submissions/memos or other such overview/discussion documents prepared for the Minister or Secretary General with regard to the introduction of a €500 grant for hair replacement. •Copy of any business case, cost benefit analysis, sanction or approval document associated with the introduction of the above. 	Granted	23/06/2022
08/06/2022 19242	Member of Oireachtas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •All records held by the Department dating from 1 May 2021 to 8 June relating to a decision made by Departmental officials to discontinue Community Employment Scheme funding to named Community Employment Programme in respect of the discontinuation of named environmental projects. •The records should include, but should not be limited to, correspondence between decision-makers and all relevant officials in named offices of the Department, the Department's Policy Section and other related sections of the Department including the offices of Minister Humphreys and Minister of State O'Brien and copies of all material and departmental policies relied upon to make the decision which is the subject of this request. 	Part Granted	06/07/2022
08/06/2022 19266	Member of the Public	All correspondence the Minister has sent thus far, while allegedly making enquiries into reopening the Dietary Allowance.	Part Granted	05/07/2022
14/06/2022 19289	Member of the Public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •All policy documentation in relation to the Youth Employment Support Scheme (YESS), prepared for or considered by the Minister, Senior Officials Group, Cabinet Committee, or Cabinet meetings held between October 2017 and July 2021 including any briefings/memos/reports/correspondence or other documentation prepared for each meeting or arising out of the meeting. •All policy documentation in relation to the Work Placement Experience Programme (WPEP), prepared for or considered by the Minister, Senior Officials Group, Cabinet Committee, or Cabinet meetings held between February 2020 and July 2021 including any briefings/memos/reports/correspondence or other documentation prepared for each meeting or arising out of the meeting. •Also, any evaluation reports relating to the Youth Employment Support Scheme (YESS) and the Work Placement Experience Programme (WPEP). 	Part Granted	23/08/2022

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14/06/2022 19291	Journalist	For 2020 and to date in 2021, I seek - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •WPEP steering committee records. •Correspondence with stakeholders and other government departments. Records of meetings with stakeholders and other government departments (agendas, presentations and minutes). •Briefing notes. 	Refused	23/08/2022
17/06/2022 19320	Journalist	Copies of any reports held based on monitoring of social media or social media mentions of your organisation in the period March, April and May 2022. This should include any monitoring outputs, whether they are carried out internally, or by external providers and then provided to your offices.	Granted	08/07/2022
17/06/2022 19324	Member of Business/Interest Groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Annual Reports on Social Welfare statistics from 1990 to 2010. •Any internal guidelines, memos, circulars or communications giving more detailed guidance on the conducting of visits by social welfare inspectors. •Any communications, documents, or other material that detail complaints made against social welfare inspectors. •Any guidelines, memos, circulars or communications outlining when and how a seconded Gardai may act as social welfare inspectors in a home visit or at an Intreo office. •Any emails, memos or communications discussing the secondment of Gardai to the special investigations unit. 	Part Granted	13/07/2022
20/06/2022 19325	Member of the Public	Please provide all records relating to the withdrawal of access to named Departmental data system and any other Departmental data systems - by named Information service.	Granted	15/07/2022

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24/06/2022 19370	Journalist	<p>From 1 March 2022 to date, Communications between the two Ministers in the Department and Department officials (including Secretary General etc), regarding -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •exceptional needs payment •the role of community welfare officers •the current advertising campaign requesting that people in need contact CWOs or seek to access exceptional needs payments, and •the cost of living crisis and likely responses; <p>The communications do NOT need to reference ALL of the above points, as in any communications that reference ANY of the above are requested.</p>	Part Granted	03/08/2022
29/06/2022 19402	Journalist	<p>From 1 June 2022 to date, copies of any records held referring or relating to the provision of financial assistance to individuals struggling due to high fuel costs. For clarity, this would be records on foot of Minister Eamon Ryan's suggestion that people could contact their local welfare office for help in this regard.</p>	Granted	25/07/2022