

Report on Protected Disclosures received by the Pensions Authority for the year ending 31st December 2023

Introduction

Under section 22(5) of the Protected Disclosures Act, 2014 (the Act) each public body is required to publish an annual report outlining 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.

Prescribed person

The Pensions Regulator, Brendan Kennedy has been prescribed under the Protected Disclosures Act 2014 to receive protected disclosures in respect of all matters relating to the monitoring and supervision of the operation of the Pensions Act 1990 (No. 25 of 1990) (other than investigations by, and decisions of, the Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman)

External disclosures

In 2023 five disclosure reports were made to the Pensions Authority (the Authority):

- One report was referred to the Authority by the Revenue Commissioners. This report was deemed suitable for investigation, and the matter was resolved in early 2024.
- The remaining four reports were referred to the Authority by the Health Information and Quality Authority. All four were deemed suitable for investigation and the matters were subsequently resolved in 2023.

Internal disclosures

There were no disclosure reports made to the Authority under section 6 of the Protected Disclosures Act, 2014, i.e. from workers of the Authority, in the period covered by this report.

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