Annual Report of Protected Disclosures Received in 2017

Section 22 of the Protected Disclosures Act 2014 requires the publication of an annual report by public bodies about the number of Protected Disclosures received in the preceding year and of actions taken in response. This is the annual report of Tusla, the Child and Family Agency (“the Agency”) for the period 1 January 2017 to 31 December 2017.

The Agency has established written procedures for workers to advise them of how to make a protected disclosure. These procedures are available here: http://www.tusla.ie/staff/protected-disclosures.

In 2017, the Agency received two protected disclosures.

In response to one protected disclosure, information was provided to the Chair of the Board to inform a preliminary evaluation of the protected disclosure, and an investigation was on-going at the time of writing.

In response to the second protected disclosure, a senior manager is conducting a review of the governance matters outlined in the disclosure.

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