

FOI DOF/2026-0436

Request

1. Please provide a list of consultees who were consulted during the preparation of the Public Service (Civil Servants and Others) Pensions (Remediable Service) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2026.
2. Please provide details of the report submitted to the NI Assembly in respect of the retrospective nature of The Public Service (Civil Servants and Others) Pensions (Remediable Service) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2026 as required under section 23(4) of the Public Service Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2014. (in this instance 'details' include the date on which the report was laid before the Assembly and where a copy of the report may be obtained).

DoF response

I can confirm the Department holds some of the information requested.

1. The following consultees were consulted during the preparation of the Public Service (Civil Servants and Others) Pensions (Remediable Service) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2026:
 - The Northern Ireland Public Service Alliance (NIPSA)
 - GMB Union
 - Unite the union
 - Prison Officers' Association (POA)
 - The Association of First Division Civil Servants (FDA)
2. By virtue of section 23(6) of the Public Service Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2014, the requirement in section 23(4) to lay a report before the Assembly does not apply to retrospective provision made under Part 1 of the Public Service Pensions and Judicial Offices Act 2022 or under section 3(2)(c) of the 2014 Act. Accordingly, no report was required, prepared or laid before the Assembly in respect of the retrospective nature of the amendment regulations.