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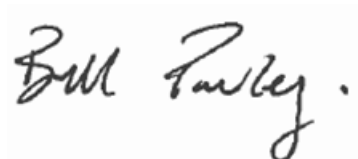
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**Dear Finance Director**

**2017/18 PAY REMIT APPROVAL PROCESS AND GUIDANCE**

1. As you may be aware, the Department of Finance (DoF) confirmed on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2017 that Northern Ireland Public Sector Pay Policy has now been determined for 2017/18. The DoF Permanent Secretary, Hugh Widdis, agreed that the 2016/17 Public Sector Pay Policy that was set by the previous Finance Minister, will continue to apply in 2017/18.
2. Colin Sullivan's Finance Director's letter of 20 December 2016 (FD (DoF) 12/16) provided guidance on the pay remit approval process for 2016/17 and I am writing to advise you that the pay parameters and general approval process set out in that correspondence continue to remain applicable for 2017/18 pay awards.
3. Any enquiries in this regard should be addressed to Christine Finlay ([Christine.Finlay@finance-ni.gov.uk](mailto:Christine.Finlay@finance-ni.gov.uk)).



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