

Annual Report of the Policing Authority for 2016 in accordance with Section 22 of the Protected Disclosures Act 2014

There were no Protected Disclosures made to the Policing Authority in 2016.

Section 22 of the Protected Disclosures Act 2014 requires the publication of a report by public bodies each year relating to the number of Protected Disclosures made in the preceding year and of actions taken in response to protected disclosures made. This report must not result in persons making disclosures being identifiable. This is the first annual report of the Policing Authority. It covers the period 1 January 2016 to 31 December 2016.

The Policing Authority has put in place procedures for the making of protected disclosures in line with the Protected Disclosures Act which were adopted in January 2017. These set out in detail the process by which a worker of the Authority can make a protected disclosure, what will happen when a disclosure is made and what the Authority will do to protect the discloser. The process supports the Authority's commitment to fostering an environment where everyone who works at the Authority feels able to "speak-up".

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