



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

FOI Reference number: FOI 42/2013

Date: 10th September 2013

Request: Paragraph 17, Minutes of Resources Committee, held 23 May 13. Provide copy of the full paper supplied to Members of the Committee, supplied by Officials under delegated authority.

Answer: A copy of the paper is attached. The purpose of any redactions made is to help protect personal information.

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NORTHERN IRELAND POLICING BOARD

RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 23 MAY 2013

**POLICE PENSIONS – ACTIONS TAKEN BY OFFICIALS UNDER DELEGATED
AUTHORITY FROM THE COMMITTEE**

1. Aim of Paper

1.1 The aim of this paper is to:

- (2) Advise Members of recent actions taken by Policing Board Officials under delegated authority to carry out the Selected Medical Practitioner's (SMP) decisions.
- (3) Make Members aware of the decisions on appeals reached by Independent Medical Referees (IMRs) appointed by the Department of Justice.

2. Background

2.1 Police Administration Branch processes all applications for Police Ill Health Pensions and Injury Awards under the RUC Pension Regulations 1988 and PSNI and PSNI Reserve (Injury Benefit) Regulations 2006 and the Police Pensions (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2009.

2.2 These duties are performed in line with best practice, guidance from the DOJ and in accordance with statutory legislation.

2.3 In order to discharge its responsibilities the Board has awarded a contract to Occupational Health Specialists (Blackwell Associates) to make decisions in line with best practice and the Pensions Regulations.

3. General Considerations

3.1 Resources – there are no resource issues for the Board within this report.

3.2 Equality and Human Rights – no issues for the Board within this report.

3.3 This paper is disclosable under Freedom of Information and there are no immediate media issues.

5. Recommendation – Members are asked:

5.1 To ratify all actions taken by Board Officials in accordance with delegated authority (Appendix A).

Police Administration Branch

May 2013

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Key for Coded Abbreviations in the Attached Appendices

IHO	Ill Health Award Only	IHI	Ill Health and Injury Award
RIO	Retrospective Injury Award	RIHI	Retrospective Ill Health and Injury Award
DPA	Deferred Pension Award	RIHO	Retrospective Ill Health Award
DR	Disablement Review	RMR	Requested Disablement Review
RCA	Restoration of Child Allowance	ICA	Implementation of Child Allowance
B	Disablement Band	RR IOD	Refusal of Ill Health/Injury Award
APP	Appeal Against Decision of SMP	RA IOD	Refusal of Injury Award (Over 65s)
ASA	Adult Survivor's Award	RFCA	Refusal/Removal of Child Allowance

* completed before all reviews were suspended in March 2013

Numbers	[REDACTED]
Total Cases	43

Percentage Disabement Reviews

Numbers	[REDACTED]
Total Cases	1

Reinstatement of Adult Survivor's Awards

Numbers	[REDACTED]
Total Cases	13

Retrospective Injury Awards and Serving Officer's Ill Health and/or Injury on Duty Awards Refused

Numbers	[REDACTED]
Total Cases	99

Retrospective Injury on Duty Award only Approved

Numbers	[REDACTED]
Total Cases	10

Ill Health Pension and Injury on Duty Award Approved

Numbers	[REDACTED]
Total Cases	15

Ill Health Pension Only Approved

Refusal of Ill Health Pensions, Injury on Duty Awards and Deferred Pensions

Number	Details of Refusal
[REDACTED]	Refusal of Retrospective Injury on Duty Award
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[REDACTED]	Serving Medical Retirement – Injury on Duty Award Refused
[REDACTED]	Refusal of Retrospective Injury on Duty Award
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[REDACTED]	Serving Officer – refusal of Ill Health and Injury Award
[REDACTED]	Refusal of Retrospective Injury Award

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APPENDIX 4 (a)

Refusal of Ill Health Pensions, Injury on Duty Awards and Deferred Pensions

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