

The Veterinary Council of Ireland 2016 Annual Report on Protected Disclosures

The Protected Disclosures Act 2014 commenced on 15 July 2014. It provides for the protection of persons from action being taken against them in respect of disclosures made by them in the public interest.

This report covers the period from 1 January 2016 to 31 December 2016. The purpose of this report is to discharge the statutory obligation of the Veterinary Council of Ireland under Section 22 of the Protected Disclosures Act 2014 ("the Act") to prepare and publish not later than 30 June in each year, a report detailing:

- (a) the number of protected disclosures made to the Veterinary Council of Ireland,
- (b) the action (if any) taken in response to those protected disclosures, and
- (c) such other information relating to those protected disclosures and the action taken as may be requested by the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform from time to time (no such information was requested by the Minister).

Section 6

- No disclosures were made in the timeframe set out above, to the Veterinary Council of Ireland as an employer, under Section 6 of the Act.

Section 7

- Pursuant to Statutory Instrument No. 339 of 2014, the Registrar of the Veterinary Council of Ireland has been prescribed as the prescribed person in respect of all matters relating to the regulation and management by the Council of the practise of veterinary medicine and nursing.
- No disclosures were made to the Registrar of the Veterinary Council of Ireland as a prescribed person during the timeframe set out above.

Section 10

- No disclosures were made in the timeframe set out above, to the Veterinary Council of Ireland, under Section 10 of the Act.