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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to Pension Tax relief.

You asked:

- 1. Whether your organisation has a policy of offering payment equivalent to the employer pension fund contributions to employees who opt out of the scheme? And if so:
 - a) When was this policy adopted?*
 - b) Is this option offered to all employees by default, or is it considered on a case by case basis following requests?*
 - c) How many employees have taken advantage of this policy since its adoption?*
 - d) What was the total value of payments made until the end of July 2019?**
- 2. Whether your organisation has made an assessment of the number of employees who are likely breach the annual allowance? If so, what assessment was made?*
- 3. How many employees have left employment as a result of pension taxation issues?*
- 4. How many employees have applied to reduce their working hours as a result of pension taxation issues? And how many such applications were successful?*
- 5. Whether an internal briefing or assessment on the impact of changes to pension taxation has been provided? If so, could a copy of that document be provided?*

Trust response:

1. Not at present
2. September 2019
3. Unable to confirm leaving reason

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5. Workshops have been provided by external provider