

ANNUAL PROTECTED DISCLOSURES REPORT FOR 2016

- Section 22 of the Protected Disclosures Act, 2014 requires each public body subject to the Act to publish an annual report setting out the number of protected disclosures received in the preceding year and the action taken (if any). It is important that such a report does not identify the individuals making the protected disclosures.
- 2. The is the first Annual Protected Disclosures Report of the University of Limerick and it covers the period of January to December 2016.
- 2.1 During the period under review the University received two protected disclosures under Section 6 of the Protected Disclosures Act, 2014. Information on these protected disclosures is summarised below:
 - One protected disclosure was received from an individual who is not an employee of the University. The matter was assessed by the Protected Disclosures Group in accordance with the University's Protected Disclosures Policy & Procedures who deemed that the communication did not come within the scope of the Act. This decision was conveyed to the individual in question.
 - The second protected disclosure was received from an employee of the University. There was an exchange of communications between the designated recipient and the individual making the protected disclosure that resulted in matter not being progressed as at 30 June 2017.