Freedom of Information Section,
Department of Education & Skills,
Marlborough Street,
Dublin 1.

20th July 2016

Dear Freedom of Information Officer,

I would like to request the following information under The Freedom of Information Act. In addition I would like to have this information posted to my home address above.

1. The total amount spent on overtime payments for administrative staff in The National Educational Psychology Service from 1st October 2010 to date. I would like to have this broken down as follows: 01/10/2010-31/12/2010, 01/01/2011-31/12/2011, 01/01/2012-31/12/2012, 01/01/2013-31/12/2013, 01/01/2014-31/12/2014, 01/01/2015-31/12/2015 and 01/01/2016 to date. Plus the overall total amount spent this overtime for this period to date.

2. The number of administrative staff on overtime in The National Educational Psychology Service during this period again broken down as follows: 01/10/2010-31/12/2010, 01/01/2011-31/12/2011, 01/01/2012-31/12/2012, 01/01/2013-31/12/2013, 01/01/2014-31/12/2014, 01/01/2015-31/12/2015 and 01/01/2016 to date. Plus the overall total number of staff on overtime for this period to date.

3. The areas, locations and offices where this overtime is taking place during this period again broken down as follows: 01/10/2010-31/12/2010, 01/01/2011-31/12/2011, 01/01/2012-31/12/2012, 01/01/2013-31/12/2013, 01/01/2014-31/12/2014, 01/01/2015-31/12/2015 and 01/01/2016 to date. Plus the total number of areas, locations and offices for this overtime during this period.

4. What are the protocols for allocating overtime in The National Educational Psychology Service for administrative staff?
5. Is overtime offered to all administrative staff in an area/location/office where overtime is sanctioned in The National Educational Psychology Service?

6. How does the National Educational Psychology Service decide on which administrative staff receive overtime and which don’t?

7. Does the National Educational Psychology Service offer overtime to both work sharers when two of its administrative staff share a job in an area where overtime is being sanctioned?

8. If the National Educational Psychology Service does not offer overtime to both administrative staff who work share and share a job in an area where overtime is being sanctioned, why does the National Educational Psychology Service only offer overtime to one of the work sharers/job sharers?

9. If the National Educational Psychology Service does not offer overtime to both administrative staff who work share and share a job in an area where overtime is being sanctioned, why does the National Educational Psychology Service then not offer overtime to both of the work sharers/job sharers in an area where overtime is being sanctioned?

10. If the National Educational Psychology Service does not offer overtime to both administrative staff who work share and share a job in an area where overtime is being sanctioned. How then does it decide on which of the work sharers/job sharers receive overtime and which doesn’t?

11. Is overtime offered on the basis on seniority in the grade to administrative staff in The National Educational Psychology Service?

I look forward to your reply to this Freedom of Information Request at your earliest convenience.

Yours Sincerely,