



Prison Service Pay Review Body

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Dear Richard,

PRISON SERVICE PAY REVIEW BODY 2023 NORTHERN IRELAND REPORT

We have concluded oral evidence with all of the parties for the 2023-24 Northern Ireland pay round. Could you please pass on our thanks to Beverley Wall and her team for providing evidence to the Prison Service Pay Review Body on the pay and remuneration for operational prison staff on Thursday 9 November.

Following oral evidence, I can confirm that the Review Body is working towards submitting our 2023 Northern Ireland report to the Government at the end of January 2024. I should, nevertheless, place on record how profoundly unsatisfactory it is for us to be reporting in January 2024 for a pay award which was due in April 2023. I appreciate the circumstances which have led to this situation but I am sure you will agree that it is extremely unfair to the staff who form our remit group.

I am copying this letter to the Director General at the Northern Ireland Prison Service.

Yours sincerely

Tim Flesher

Chair, Prison Service Pay Review Body