



Garda pay talks expected to proceed as planned

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Pay talks for gardaí are expected to progress in accordance to procedures outlined by the Department of Public Expenditure & Reform (Dper) in September, the Garda Representative Association has said.

Pat Ennis, GRA General Secretary said: “The GRA attended preliminary talks last September and we were informed of the process for the new public sector pay talks.

“The agreed method for these talks is similar to the approach to the Public Sector Stability Agreement (PSSA) 2018 - 2020.

“As was the case last time, the generalities that apply to all public sector pay negotiations, such as cost-of-living pay increases, is part of the discussions between the ICTU Public Service Committee and Dper.

“The GRA is not a member of ICTU but is a participant in national pay talks which will be overseen by the Workplace Relations Commission.

“Within this process, there is scope at sectoral level for each representative body, including the GRA, to negotiate specifics that apply to their members’ pay, terms and conditions.

“At the end of this process, a new pay agreement is finalised in talks involving all public sector representative bodies including the GRA.

“This approach does not differ to the plan GRA members were informed of in September.”