

Freedom of Information Requests 2021

Date of request	Reference	Category of Requestor	Summary of Request	Decision Type	Date of Decision
05/03/2021	1/21	Journalist	All records relating to the proposed ban on credit cards as a method of payment for National Lottery games online including all correspondence with PLI on the issue and any internal analysis of the issue.	Partially Grant	23/04/2021
05/03/2021	2/21	Journalist	All correspondence with PLI on the performance of resolving complaints at first attempt since January 1, 2019, to include but not limited to e-mails as well as any attachments therein.	Partially Grant	23/04/2021
05/03/2021	3/21	Journalist	All internal records including e-mails, memos, notes, reports within the ORNL on consideration of a possible breach of Clause 11.15 of the license as part of the investigation of the issue surrounding top prizes in scratch cards games	Refused	23/04/2021
20/04/2021	4/21	Journalist	Internal Review of Request 1/21	(Varied original decision – additional access provided) Partially granted	11/05/2021
03/05/2021	5/21	Journalist	Any record detailing the value of expired unclaimed prizes during 2020, together with (if any) breakdown of such prizes by value.	Refused	18/05/2021

08/06/2021	6/21	Journalist	Any record which contains the amount of money returned to players from the expired unclaimed prize fund in 2020 in the way of special and/or top-up draws.	Refused	02/07/2021
23/11/2021	7/21	Journalist	All correspondence between the Regulator and PLI in relation to the determination of prize expiry dates for scratch card games which led to the decision to now print expiry dates on scratch card tickets.	Withdrawn	24/11/2021
23/11/2021	8/21	Journalist	All correspondence between the Regulator and PLI in relation to the reporting and handling of a sample of complaints received over a 10-day period during 2020	Withdrawn	24/11/2021
23/11/2021	9/21	Journalist	All correspondence between the regulator and PLI in relation to the failure of PLI to operate a weekly spending limit of €300 on online players over a two-week period between the end of 2019 and early 2020.	Partially Grant	10/01/2022
27/11/2021	10/21	Journalist	Statistics or written reports of expired unclaimed lottery prizes from tickets bought in County Cork.	Refused	10/12/2021
29/11/2021	11/21	Journalist	All internal correspondence - dated between 19 November and 26 November - relating to Deputy Bernard Durkan's calls for an investigation into there being no winner of the National Lottery since 6th June and subsequent calls for the Regulator of the National Lottery to appear before an Oireachtas Committee regarding same. This should include any internal discussions/correspondence between Regulator and Deputy Regulator with the Chair and CEO of Premier Lotteries Ireland regarding the possibility of introducing a 'must-win' draw for the National Lottery	Partially Grant	16/12/2021

24/11/2021	12/21	Public	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The statistics on the number of winning tickets / games purchased in stores and online across all instant win games. Categorized into instant win, name of game, no of winners per month, and if top prize is won and how often. 2. The statistics on the location by county of winners. 3. The financial reports relating to the distribution of lottery funds to charities, including the amounts donated and to what charities over the past four years to date. 4. The statistics on the number of winners and timeline as to same vis a vie specifically the top prizes on the daily millions and on the national lottery by month for the past four years. 5. The number of instant win cards purchased online and in person by month and per year by game name and revenue gained from same for the past four years. 6. Statistics on the revenue gathered from the national lottery sale of tickets for lotto game, per month and year for the past four years 	Partially Grant	1/02/2022
06/12/2021	13/21	Journalist	<p>a) All correspondence between the regulator and Premier Lotteries Ireland on the issue of the current extended rollover of the Lotto jackpot.</p> <p>b) Any internal communications on the same subject</p> <p>(For clarity, the request is not seeking any routine records generated as a result of the usual bi-weekly draws but any special communications relating to the unusual duration of the rollover).</p>	Partially Grant	21/01/2022
07/12/2021	14/21	Journalist	<p>a) The number of Lotto (both online and physical) tickets sold in 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 so far.</p> <p>b) The monetary value of sales of online/physical Lotto tickets in 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 so far (i.e., how much money did ticket sales bring in each year).</p>	Refused	14/01/2022