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PQ 17733/23 To ask the Minister for Health if he is aware that there is a delay of six months or more for people who have retired from employment from section 38 voluntary organisations and voluntary hospitals to receive their pensions; his views on whether this is acceptable; the steps being taken to resolve this issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Willie O'Dea

Dear Deputy,

I refer to your recent Parliamentary Question which was sent to the HSE for response.

There is a delay in the processing of pension increases due to the resource constraint within the pension function. There has been a high turnover of staff and a vacancy gap as high as 30% at time over the last number of years. In addition we are committed to having all pension increases processed, together with arrears by end of May, 2023. This will include all previous increases up to including the latest one effective from 1st October, 2022.

I trust this clarifies and is of some assistance.

Yours sincerely,

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