4th July, 2019

Each CEC Member

Re: Recognition as Service for Pension purposes of six (6) months on-site training for newly recruited (Post 1989) Garda Members.

Colleagues,

The Garda Representative Association has been informed that all parties to the facilitation process relating to the above matter have formally accepted the Workplace Relations Commission proposal of the 12th April, 2019. The Department of Justice & Equality has advised that, in conjunction with Garda management, they will now proceed to implement this proposal and are engaging with Garda payroll and pension departments to determine how this can be best achieved.

The Department of Justice & Equality stated that while all matters relating to pension and payroll changes are necessarily complex and require careful consideration, they do not expect that there will be any undue delay in putting the agreed proposal into operation.

They will keep the Association advised in the event of any issues arising that may take time to resolve.

Yours sincerely,

Pat Ennis

General Secretary