



BY EMAIL

20th October 2026

Mr Micheál Martin TD
An Taoiseach
Department of An Taoiseach
Government Buildings
Merrion Street Upper
Dublin 2

Re: Superannuation Schemes – eir and An Post

Dear Taoiseach,

It is necessary that I again write to you regarding delays to the approval of agreed pensionable increases to retired staff of eir and An Post.

The agreed pension increase for retired staff in An Post is **2%** effective from the **1st January 2026**, with a **2.2%** agreed increase effective from the **1st July 2026** for retired eir staff.

While I can appreciate the business of Government and recent events may well have contributed to delays in the approval process, pensioners of both companies are subject to such delays on an annual basis.

An Post & eir Pensioners are in great need of this increase. They do not benefit from the state increases authorised in *Budget 2027*, which the Government has quite rightly authorised. Neither is there any cost to the Exchequer, as these increases are funded entirely by the pension funds the pensioners have paid into. In such circumstances our pensioner members are most frustrated and annoyed at the unnecessary delays which is creating wholly unnecessary distress for them and their dependents.

It would be my strong preference to avoid another protest like that which the Communications Workers' Union and Fórsa had to organise in February this year which brought over a thousand pensioners on to Kildare Street in very challenging weather. They deserve better than this.

My understanding is the process of approval for both companies is at an advanced stage and I would appreciate your assistance to having both finalised without further delay.

I look forward to your reply at the earliest opportunity.

Yours sincerely,

Seán McDonagh
General Secretary

