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2026 No. 138

SALARIES

The Salaries (Public Services Ombudsman) Order (Northern Ireland) 2026

Made - - - -	*7th July 2026*
Coming into operation	*30th July 2026*

In exercise of the powers conferred by paragraph 6 of Schedule 1 to the Public Services Ombudsman Act (Northern Ireland) 2016(**a**), the Northern Ireland Assembly Commission makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Salaries (Public Services Ombudsman) Order (Northern Ireland) 2026 and shall come into operation on 30th July 2026.

Retrospection

2. Article 3 shall have effect from 19th November 2025.

Salary

3. The annual salary payable to the Public Services Ombudsman from 19th November 2025 is £130,000.

Revalorisation

4. Each year, on the revalorisation date, the annual salary payable to the Public Services Ombudsman shall be increased or decreased by the same percentage increase or decrease applied to salaries paid to staff employed by the Northern Ireland Assembly Commission since the previous revalorisation.

The revalorisation date

5. In this Order, the revalorisation date is 19th November each year.

Revocation

6. The Salaries (Public Services Ombudsman) Order (Northern Ireland) 2020 is revoked.

(**a**) 2016 c. 4 (N.I.)

Signed by authority of the Assembly Commission on 7th July 2026.

Lesley Hogg
Clerk to the Assembly

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order sets the salary for the office of Northern Ireland Public Services Ombudsman, pursuant to paragraph 6(1) of Schedule 1 to the Public Services Ombudsman Act (Northern Ireland) 2016.

Paragraph 6(2) of Schedule 1 to that Act provides that a salary order may have retrospective effect, and this order has such effect, increasing the salary payable to the Ombudsman with effect from 19th November 2025.

The Order provides for the annual revalorisation of the salary for the office of Northern Ireland Public Services Ombudsman, which will increase or decrease each year in accordance with any percentage change in the salary payable to staff employed by the Northern Ireland Assembly Commission.

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