

Protected Disclosures Policy

Annual Report to the DCU Governing Authority

To: Governing Authority

Date: 30th June 2025

Prepared by: Office of the Chief Operations Officer on behalf of the DCU Protected Disclosures Group (PDG)

Context: In accordance with the University’s Protected Disclosures Policy, the Deputy President—acting as Chair of the PDG—shall provide the Governing Authority with a formal annual report by June 30th. This report details all allegations and investigations from the previous academic years (Oct 1st to Sept 30th); the current status of these cases is summarized in the schedule below.

Schedule of Allegations & Investigations

Academic Year	Total Allegations	Disclosure Threshold Met? Yes/No	Referred to Other Procedures	Disclosures Investigated by PDG	Disclosures Upheld	Actions Taken
2013 – 2018	None	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
2018 – 2019	One	Yes	None	One	Not Upheld	No further action
2019 – 2022	None	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
2022 – 2023	Two, Disclosure (A) Disclosure (B)	Yes	None	(A) - Not Upheld (B) - Not Upheld	(A) - None (B) - None	(A) - No further action (B) - No further action
2023 – 2024	One	Yes	None	One	Not Upheld	No further action
2024 - 2025	One	Yes	None	One	One element of disclosure was upheld in part	Relevant Unit’s internal process was brought into line with university policy

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Note

In accordance with statutory requirements, this schedule will be published on the University website under the Chief Operating Officer's (COO) policy section.

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