FWO referrals

How many matters have you referred to FWO?

FWBC to FWO referrals						
1 July 14 – present	2013-2014	2012- 2013	2011- 2012*	1 Mar 2011– 30 June 2011*	27 Mar 2006 - 28 Feb 2011	Total
1	7	1	1	0	26	36

^{*}Annual Report

(note – The agency stopped referring matters to FWO on 11 October 2010. We specifically commenced undertaking new wages and entitlements claims on 1 March 2011. The function was referred back to FWO on 3 December 2013)

When did FWBC make a decision to transfer responsibility for pursuing wage and entitlements matters to FWO?

- I answered this in SQ13-000903.
- FWBC wrote to the FWO on 30 October 2013.
- Arrangements were confirmed by correspondence from the FWO on 18 November 2013 and 3 December 2013.

How is the decision consistent with FWBC's statutory obligations?

- I answered this in SQ13-00920.
- Subsection 10(e) of the FWBI Act outlines the Director's function to refer matters to relevant authorities.

What about sham contracting?

- If sham contracting arise in the context of other matters FWBC is looking at then we will take it on.
- If sham contracting arises alongside a wages and entitlement matter, the FWO will take it on.