

[News story: Patisserie Holdings PLC in administration: information for employees](#)

If you've been dismissed

If you worked for Patisserie Holdings Plc, trading as Patisserie Valerie, Philpotts, or Druckers Vienna Patisserie, and you've been dismissed, you might be entitled to redundancy pay, holiday pay, wages owed and statutory notice pay from the Insolvency Service.

The amount the Insolvency Service can pay you will be subject to [certain legal limits](#).

Who is eligible

You can apply to the Insolvency Service for redundancy pay, wages owed, holiday pay and statutory notice pay if:

- you worked for Patisserie Holdings PLC under an [employment contract](#)
- you work in England, Scotland or Wales

If you worked in the Republic of Ireland, you will need to make your application through the [Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection](#).

If you worked in Northern Ireland you will need to make your application through the [Department for the Economy](#).

How to apply

[You can apply online](#). The case reference number you need to complete the online application is CN00063741.

There's further information about how to apply on our [factsheet](#).

Getting help

If you have questions about your situation or about any wages, salary, or overtime you're owed, you can contact the administrator by:

If you need help completing your application, you can contact the Insolvency Service's Redundancy Payments helpline:

When calling, please have your case reference number (CN00063741) and National Insurance number to hand.

Press release: £3,000 penalty for illegal waste carrier

A 35-year-old man from Bradford has been ordered to pay £3,116.80 after pleading guilty to operating as an illegal waste carrier in a case heard at Nottingham Magistrates Court.

Caught in road-stop sting

Andrew Clarke of Southcroft Avenue, Birkenshaw, Bradford, was stopped at a multi-agency road stop operation on the A614 at Ollerton, Nottinghamshire, on 25 May 2018. A search of his transit van revealed he was carrying waste carpet.

Environment Agency officers then carried out a check on the public register, which showed the defendant did not have the required waste carrier registration. He was given 10 days to obtain the necessary paperwork or face prosecution.

Failed to register

However, a subsequent systems check by Environment Agency officials in August 2018 showed the defendant had failed to register as a waste carrier in his name within the 10-day period. He had registered in the name of a partnership 20 days after the offence.

The case was heard at Nottingham Magistrates on 2 January 2019. He was fined £300 and ordered to pay costs of £2,816.80.

Penalties over £3,000

The defendant, who had been fitting out a shop in Arnold, Nottingham, told officials that he was not being paid to remove the waste and that he was not aware he needed to be registered.

A spokesperson for the Environment Agency said:

This case demonstrates how seriously we take illegal waste crime. We take robust enforcement action against those who deliberately ignore the law to protect communities and the environment.

The management and disposal of waste as a commercial enterprise is subject to a strict statutory regime and the relevant piece of legislation for the purpose of this case is the Control of Pollution (Amendment) Act 1989. The act makes it a criminal offence for a person to transport controlled waste to

or from any place in the United Kingdom, with a view for profit, if they do not possess the necessary Waste Carrier Licence.

[News story: Swiss haulage agreement](#)



The UK has today (25 January 2019) signed the text of an agreement with Switzerland on the international carriage of passengers and goods by road.

The agreement will ensure UK hauliers and commercial bus drivers can continue to drive to, from and through, Switzerland after the UK leaves the EU, as they do now. This is one of the positive steps the UK government is taking to maintain our relationship and cooperation with Switzerland as we exit the EU. These measures ensure the continuity of the effects of our currently existing international treaties.

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[National Conversation on Investing for the Global Goals](#)



The Department for International Development is holding a national conversation to find out more about the public's views on and interest in ethical, responsible, and impactful investment practices. This includes investing in companies or sectors that make positive change in the world, like renewable energy. This also means avoiding investing in companies that do harm, for example, companies that employ child labour in the developing world.

Everyone can play a part in ending poverty. Governments, charities, businesses, and people around the world are playing a role. The financial industry is developing products that aim both to create good financial performance and positive impact on the world. We want to hear from people in the UK about how they want to invest today to build the future of tomorrow.

This conversation will include focus groups and events across the country, as well as a national survey. The results of the conversation will be published in the Autumn. This work builds on work government and industry have been leading [to bring impact investment to the mainstream](#).

Financing is a key component of delivering the [Global Goals](#). This year the UK is reviewing its progress through a [Voluntary National Review](#) towards the Sustainable Development Goals.

Contact us at InvestinginSDGs@dfid.gov.uk

Join the conversation on social media using #InvestinaBetterWorld

[Find out more about the National Conversation and how you can get involved.](#)

See the [initial results from our survey](#).

[Read DFID's Economic Development strategy](#).

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[News story: Early Childhood Development programme](#)

Globally, 250 million children under the age of five are estimated to be at risk of stunted growth and poor development. The new UK aid funded research programme will investigate what works on a global scale to tackle malnutrition and poor physical, social, emotional and mental development.

The programme will produce evidence of what works in countries such as Rwanda, Jordan and Tanzania, providing evidence which can benefit millions of children across developing countries.

She made the announcement to establish a programme of research across Africa, Asia and the Middle East during the New Zealand Prime Minister, Jacinda Ardern's trip to London.

New Zealand is considering partnering with the UK to extend it to the Pacific region, making it a truly global initiative.

The UK has committed to invest £20.5 million over five years in the programme to understand how best to unlock children's potential globally.

This partnership demonstrates the UK's and New Zealand's shared ambition to work together on the most important development challenges and reflects our determination to deliver the Global Goals. Global Goal 4.2 is to ensure that, by 2030, all girls and boys have access to quality early childhood development.

During Prime Minister Ardern's visit, she and the Prime Minister, Theresa May, also agreed to prioritise a UK-NZ Free Trade Agreement (FTA), as well as signing a Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) to enable the continuity of goods standards. There were also announcements made on co-locating High Commissions in the Pacific and continued co-operation on tackling climate change.