

Pension Board – Updates Received Register

Topic	Date	Link	Action	Responsible Person	Status
Local Pension Board (LPB) Training Sessions	29/02/24	February 2024 FPS Bulletin	Readers are asked to make their LPB members aware of the training sessions and encourage them to book onto a session.	Governance Advisor/Pension Board	NEW
Remedy – Remediable Service Statement (RSS) member video	29/02/24	February 2024 FPS Bulletin	Readers are encouraged to direct members to the video and website, should members have any queries relating to the RSS	Governance Advisor	NEW Will be picked up as part of planned March comms on Remedy and RSS
Matthews GAD Calculator Cost Sharing	29/02/24	February 2024 FPS Bulletin	FRAs to complete the purchase order form and return to bluelightpensions@local.gov.uk by 21 March 2024 .	Finance	NEW
Matthews GAD Calculator Version 2 corrections	29/02/24	February 2024 FPS Bulletin	Ensure that they have registered access to the calculator interest update files and the associated update email notification distribution list by contacting firematthewscalculator@gad.gov.uk	Pensions Administration Team	NEW
Scheme Management and Administration (SMA) Committee – Survey	29/02/24	February 2024 FPS Bulletin	Administrators are encouraged to complete the survey and respond by 15 March 2024 .	Pensions Administration Team	NEW Likely to be separate survey to in-house providers
Matthews exercise request for data	30/01/2024	January 2024 FPS Bulletin	FRAs are asked to provide Matthews project implementation data and opt out data to bluelightpensions@local.gov.uk by 21 February 2024 , using the separate data request spreadsheets.	Pension Administration Team	NEW Complete

Matthews - GAD calculator: Manual cases update	30/01/2024	January 2024 FPS Bulletin	Scheme managers and administrators are recommended to read the guidance, follow the process, and use the template supporting documents to assist the process. This process should be completed by 31 March 2024 .	Scheme Manager/Pension Administration Team	NEW
Age Discrimination remedy – Data Sharing Agreement and guidance	30/01/2024	January 2024 FPS Bulletin	Data Sharing Agreement and guidance - FRAs should use the Data Sharing Agreement for cases where a firefighter was employed by a previous FRA in the remedy period. FRAs are also advised to follow the guidance document when obtaining the data to ensure that the data is with administrators by 31 March 2024 .	Pension Administration Team	NEW
SAB Levy 2023-24 – Request for Purchase Order numbers	30/01/2024	January 2024 FPS Bulletin	FRAs to provide a valid purchase order number, stating the number of employees eligible to join one of the Firefighters' Pension Schemes as of 1 April 2023, using the form provided with the SAB 2023-34 levy letter	Finance/Scheme Manager	NEW Complete
New Pension Regulator General Code of Practice	10/01/2024	https://www.thepensionsregulator.gov.uk/en/document-library/consultations/new-code-of-practice?utm_source=outlook&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=quarterlyjanuary&utm_content=newcode	For the Scheme Manager and Pension Board to acquaint themselves with the new General Code of Practice.	Scheme Manager and Pension Board	NEW

Immediate Choice Remediable Service Statement (IC RSS)	22/12/2023	https://www.psregs.org/images/Bulletins/Bulletin-76-December-2023/FPS-Bulletin-76-December-2023-updated.pdf	<p>Scheme Managers are encouraged to discuss the timetabling of the RSS with their administrators.</p> <p>Administrators are asked to commence testing the use of the IC RSS and provide any feedback to bluelighpensions@local.gov.uk</p>	Scheme Manager and Pension Administration team	
LGA Contact Update	22/12/2023	https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=7uRi4U8FPEuNOXVSTKiy6ZcftUGZPNEIngDIqVldyBUOVA1NIYzS0ZSQVJIRE1PN0tBVkEwRUkyWi4u	<p>“Please can we ask you to complete the online form linked below and either complete on behalf of your fire authority and/or local authority or pass to anyone else who we may need their contact details. This will be our new contact information for anything being sent out in 2024, therefore even if we have your current details, we will need you to complete this by 20 January 2024.”</p>	Governance Advisor	Completed
New Pension Regulator Cyber Security Guidance	11/12/2023	https://www.thepensionsregulator.gov.uk/en/media-hub/press-releases/2023-press-releases/cyber-security-guidance-revised-to-help-tackle-	<p>The Pensions Regulator (TPR) is calling on trustees to report significant cyber-related incidents as part of updated guidance to tackle the ongoing threat posed by cyber criminals.</p> <p>Pension schemes are at risk of being targeted by cyber-attacks because of the large amounts of personal data and assets they hold.</p> <p>TPR’s latest guidance helps trustees and scheme managers meet their duties to assess the risk, ensure controls are in</p>	Service Digital and Data team & Pension and Payroll Manager	

		threat?utm_source=outlook&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=rsquarterlyjan	place, and respond to incidents. The guidance will also be of use to scheme suppliers and advisers.		
The Pension Regulator Annual Return	01/12/2023	https://www.thepensionsregulator.gov.uk/en/public-service-pension-schemes/scheme-management/scheme-return-for-public-service-pension-schemes	Completion of Pension Regulator Annual return by 25 January 2024	Pension and Payroll Manager	Complete
Matthews GAD Calculator	20/11/2023	https://www.fpsregs.org/images/Bulletins/Bulletin-75-November-2023/FPS-Bulletin-75-November-2023.pdf	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read the user guide. • Ensure that they have the most up to date version of the calculator when they update the spreadsheet at the beginning of the month to allow for the latest interest rates. • Share this information with anyone who is carrying out the Matthews second options exercise. 	Pension Administration Team	
Matthews – Deceased members	20/11/2023	https://www.fpsregs.org/images/Bulletins/Bulletin-75-November-2023/FPS-Bulletin-75-November-2023.pdf	FRAs to stockpile any cases which are currently not covered by the regulations until an amendment is in place.	Pension Administration Team	

		November-2023/FPS-Bulletin-75-November-2023.pdf	FRAs are encouraged to use the Individual Statement of Details documents to send an individual with information on their options.		
Matthews Data Collection	20/11/2023	https://www.fpsregs.org/images/Bulletins/Bulletin-75-November-2023/FPS-Bulletin-75-November-2023.pdf	FRAs to maintain robust record keeping ensuring that the data required by the Home Office and GAD is easily accessible.	Pension Administration Team	
2022/23 Event Reporting - Annual Allowance Statements & Lifetime allowance	08/11/2023	https://www.fpsregs.org/images/Bulletins/Bulletin-75-November-2023/FPS-Bulletin-75-November-2023.pdf	Scheme Managers need to submit data by 31 January 2024 Any administrator who needs to submit these details to HMRC, can submit them on a password protected spreadsheet and send the password in a separate email.	Finance	Complete
Age Discrimination Remedy - Contingent Decisions guidance	01/11/2023	https://www.fpsregs.org/images/Bulletins/Bulletin-74-October-2023/FPS-Bulletin-74-October2023.pdf	Scheme managers to read the guidance and mutually agree any setting of target dates with their administrator before sharing the claim process with members. https://www.fpsregs.org/images/Age-discrimination/Age-discrimination-remedy-Contingent-Decisions-guidance1.pdf	Scheme Manager/Pension Administration Team	Added to Mitigation Plan

Error in the Treasury Revaluation Orders for 2021 and 2022	01/11/2023	https://www.fpsregs.org/images/Home-Office/HO-notification-to-FRAs.pdf	Scheme Managers are to ensure that this error is corrected retrospectively.	Scheme Manager/Pension Administration Team	Added to Mitigation Plan
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