



# Northumberland County Council

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**Date:** Monday, 15 January 2024

Dear Sir or Madam,

Your participation is requested at a meeting of the **FIREFIGHTERS' PENSION SCHEME LOCAL PENSION BOARD** to be held in **Conference Room 1 - County Hall** on **TUESDAY, 23 JANUARY 2024** at **11.30 AM**.

Yours faithfully

Dr Helen Paterson  
Chief Executive

**To the members of the Firefighters' Pension Scheme Local Pension Board**

**Copy to Service Director - Finance and Chief Fire Officer as Scheme Manager (A. Elsdon and G. Binning/S. Kennedy)**

**and to OFFICERS;**

**L Nicklen - Board Secretary**

**H Scargill – Client Relationship Manager, West Yorkshire Pension Fund**

*Please Note – The FPS Local Pension Board will NOT be a meeting of the Council open to the general public – as per Appendix 1, page 10 of the Constitution.*



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## AGENDA

### Meeting of the Firefighters' Pension Scheme Local Pension Board

The Terms of Reference state that these meetings will be held in private.

**TUESDAY, 23 JANUARY 2024**

1. Apologies
2. Consideration (declaration) of conflicts of interest
3. Minutes of the FPS Local Pension Board meeting held on 31 October 2023 (Pages 1 - 10)
4. Chair's briefing (verbal update)
5. WYPF Business Continuity Update (verbal update)
6. WYPF Report to NCC's FPS LPB on 23 January 2024 (Pages 11 - 14)
7. Monthly Client Reports for NCC from WYPF (Pages 15 - 78)
  - a) for November 2023
  - b) for December 2023
  - c) for January 2024
8. Ill-Health Retirements Update (Pages 79 - 80)
9. Matthews second options exercise: Update (Pages 81 - 82)
10. Minutes of the 25 October 2023 WYPF Fire Client meeting (Pages 83 - 90)
11. NCC's Payroll FPS Employer role: Update (Pages 91 - 92)
12. Update on Remedy processing (Pages 93 - 94)
13. Actions for FRAs: Board follow up - Action Log (Pages 95 - 98)
14. Reports of the NCC FPS Scheme Manager (Pages 99 - 108)
  - a) Breaches in the quarter to 31 December 2023
  - b) complaints, appeals, IDRPs in the quarter to 31 December 2023
  - c) discretions exercised in the quarter 31 December 2023
15. Future Meeting Dates (Pages 109 - 110)
16. Any other business

**FPS SAB BULLETINS ENCLOSED (AND PREVIOUSLY EMAILED TO BOARD MEMBERS)**

Bulletin 74 – October 2023  
Bulletin 75 – November 2023  
Bulletin 76 – December 2023

## Useful reference points for Board members

The Firefighters' Pensions (England) SAB  
Firefighters' Pension Scheme Regulations and Guidance  
West Yorkshire Pension Fund

[www.fpsboard.org](http://www.fpsboard.org)  
[www.fpsregs.org](http://www.fpsregs.org)  
[http://www.wypf.org.uk/Members/Fire/Firefighters\\_Home.aspx](http://www.wypf.org.uk/Members/Fire/Firefighters_Home.aspx)