

# Pensioner Matters

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Newsletter from LGSS Pensions on behalf of Northamptonshire  
Commissioner Fire and Rescue Authority

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# Pension payment information

## Payment dates

The dates that your pension will be paid into your bank account until March 2021 are detailed below:

Payment dates	
1992 Scheme members	2006 & 2015 Scheme members
1 April 2020	24 April 2020
1 May 2020	22 May 2020
3 June 2020	25 June 2020
1 July 2020	24 July 2020
3 August 2020	25 August 2020
1 September 2020	25 September 2020
1 October 2020	23 October 2020
2 November 2020	25 November 2020
1 December 2020	18 December 2020
2 January 2021	25 January 2021
1 February 2021	25 February 2021
1 March 2021	25 March 2021

## Payslips

Payslips are currently issued every March, April and May. After that you will only receive a payslip when:

- there is a change in your net pay of £5 or more from the previous month;
- you have told us about a change of address; or
- your tax code has changed.

To protect your identity, we will no longer show your full National Insurance number on your payslips.

## Income tax

Following the annual increase in state pensions, it is usual for HM Revenue & Customs to adjust the personal tax code of those pensioners who receive state retirement benefits. Usually, any new code issued for this will be applied in April or May and may result in a change in the amount of tax you pay from your pension.

For more information about pay dates, please call Payroll and Pension enquiries (option 3) on **0300 126 733**

# National Fraud Initiative

LGSS Pensions administer your pension on behalf of the Northamptonshire Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner and are required by law to protect the public funds we are responsible for. Your information may be shared with other bodies responsible for auditing or administering public funds for the purpose of preventing and detecting fraud. As part of the 'National Fraud Initiative', by law, your information must be shared with the Cabinet Office. We make sure that the information we provide keeps to the Data Protection

Legislation (General Data Protection Regulations and Data Protection Act).

More information regarding the National Fraud Initiative can be found at [www.gov.uk/government/collections/national-fraud-initiative](http://www.gov.uk/government/collections/national-fraud-initiative)

For the National Fraud Initiative's privacy statement, please visit: [www.gov.uk/government/publications/fair-processing-national-fraud-initiative/fair-processing-level-3-full-text](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/fair-processing-national-fraud-initiative/fair-processing-level-3-full-text)

## Keeping in touch

Please make sure that you let us know about any changes to your home address or bank or building society details as soon as possible.

**Failure to do so may result in your pension being suspended whilst efforts are made to establish contact with you.**

It is also important that you let us know if you have started a new job with the Fire and Rescue Authority.

Please use the contact details on the back page to keep in touch.



# Information for your next of kin

The following information is for your next of kin or the executors of your estate. Please cut out this section and keep with your will or other information to be used in the event of your death.

If you are dealing with the estate of a relative who receives a pension from us, you should tell us as soon as possible if they die. This makes sure any dependants' benefits are paid promptly, and also keeps pension overpayments to a minimum.

We will need the following details of the pensioner:

- Name, address and date they died
- National Insurance number
- Name and address of next of kin
- The name and address of the person dealing with the estate, if not the next of kin
- Details of any dependent children

Our contact details are over the page.



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If you have any questions about your new tax code, please write to the address shown here. When you contact the tax authorities, please quote reference 475/VB50348 and your National Insurance number.

You will receive your P60 for the tax year 2019/2020 by 31 May 2020.  
Pay As You Earn Self Assessment  
HM Revenue and Customs  
BX9 1AS  
Phone: 0300 200 3300

## Pensions increase 2020

Each year, the Firefighters' pension that you receive from us is usually increased in line with the cost of living. This is based on the Consumer Price index as assessed over the previous year, to 30 September. The

next increase to your pension is due to take place on 6 April 2020, at which point a 1.7% increase will be applied to your pension and pro-rated if you have not been receiving your pension for the full year.



# Contact details

Please email your pension enquiries to:

**[FirePensions@northamptonshire.gov.uk](mailto:FirePensions@northamptonshire.gov.uk)**

LGSS Pensions administer your pension on behalf of the Northamptonshire Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner. You can find a dedicated Firefighters section on our website. You will find the latest news, frequently asked questions and documents relevant to the Firefighters' pension schemes.

Please visit **[pensions.northamptonshire.gov.uk](https://pensions.northamptonshire.gov.uk)**

