

Item 7 - Paper 7b - Draft letter to DCLG

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Dear Chris

Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) - Employee contributions

At its meeting of 5th February the Cost Management and Contributions Committee of the Shadow Scheme Advisory Board met to review the employee contribution bands in line with our correspondence of 18th December 2013 and 31st January 2014. Its conclusions were considered at the Board meeting of the 6th February.

Following consideration of the potential yields for 2015-16 both with and without the automatic uprating of bands the Board wishes to make the following recommendations:

- (1) That the employee contribution bands are increased in line with regulation 9(4) which if the appropriate increase is confirmed at 1.2% would result in the following table:-

Contribution Table 2015/16		
If your pay is:	You pay a contribution rate of:	
	Main section	50/50 section
Up to £13,600	5.5%	2.75%
£13,601 to £21,200	5.8%	2.9%
£21,201 to £34,400	6.5%	3.25%
£34,401 to £43,500	6.8%	3.4%
£43,501 to £60,700	8.5%	4.25%
£60,701 to £86,000	9.9%	4.95%
£86,001 to £101,200	10.5%	5.25%

£101,201 to £151,800	11.4%	5.7%
£151,801 or more	12.5%	6.25%

- (II) That DCLG is asked to consider an amendment to the regulations to provide that changes made to bands and rates are not based on the sole criteria of CPI indexation.

Yours sincerely



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Secretary to the Shadow Scheme Advisory Board

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