



Pensions In Partnership



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Administrator's / Admitted Bodies (combined) Forum

Our next (combined) Forum will be at (09:30 for) 10:00 to 12:00 on Thursday 13 Dec in the Parish Halls, 266 George St. The agenda is next to this PIP on our website. Please let Chris know if you are attending for catering (on arrival) purposes.

Forms / Excel spreadsheets

Whenever you use one of our forms or Excel spreadsheets:

- **Revisit** our website's page to check that you are downloading the most recent version
- **Do not alter its format** in any way

Automatic enrolment

The LGPC have issued V5 of their Guide, see

<http://www.lge.gov.uk/lge/core/page.do?pagelid=17995528>

Pension politics

The **Public Service Pensions Bill** has completed its Committee stage. Its report stage and third reading are scheduled for 4 Dec before it progresses to the House of Lords. The latest is available at:

<http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2012-13/publicservicepensions.html>

In a statement to the Scottish Parliament on 28 Nov, John Swinney confirmed that the Scottish Government, in consultation with stakeholders, will now proceed with the scheme reforms contained in the Bill. The effective date is likely to be April 2015.

2012 annual report

Our 2012 annual report is available from our website, see:

<http://www.spfo.org.uk/Governance/Reports/AnnRepsAccounts/>

UK Referendum fees

Counting Officer fees for the UK referendum will **not be pensionable**.

Other news

The homepage of our website will shortly be updated with a "News" story about the **Strathclyde Pension Fund Committee meeting of 3 Dec**.

We will be issuing **Pensionnews**, our pensioners' newsletter to 67,400 LGPS pensioners, and **NFI** (National Fraud Initiative) letters to 20,000 pensioners from the Fire/ Police / Teachers pension schemes in early December.

Our office will be closed from Dec 25 2012 to Jan 2 2013 inclusive.

Merry Christmas