



**LGPS EMPLOYER'S  
DISCRETIONS POLICY FOR  
Princes Risborough Town Council  
LGPS 2014 Scheme**

DISCRETION & REGULATION	POLICY ON INDIVIDUAL DISCRETIONS
<p><b>1). Reg 31: Whether to grant additional pension to a member (up to £7,026.00 pa, as at 1 April 2014)</b></p>	<p>Princes Risborough Town Council will only exercise this discretion in exceptional circumstances. This discretion will only be exercised with the expressed permission of the Admin/HR Committee after consideration of the costs that would apply.</p>
<p><b>2). Reg 16(2)e &amp; Reg 16(4)d: Whether to make either a regular or lump sum Additional Pension Contribution (APC) to a member's account (part or whole funding this) –</b>            [Note: this discretion only relates to cases when the member is working as normal rather than absent from work with permission but no pensionable pay – in the latter scenario, employers must fund it if necessary.]</p>	<p>Princes Risborough Town Council will only exercise this discretion in exceptional circumstances. This discretion will only be exercised with the expressed permission of the Admin/HR Committee after consideration of the costs that would apply.</p>
<p><b>3). Reg 30(6) Whether all or some pension benefits can be paid if an member aged 55 or over reduces their hours/grade and continues to work (“flexible retirement”)</b></p>	<p>Princes Risborough Town Council will consider employee requests to take flexible retirement on a case by case basis after taking into account factors such as service delivery. The Admin/HR Committee will be responsible for agreeing (or otherwise) to all requests to take flexible retirement.</p>
<p><b>4). Reg 30(8) Waiving actuarial reduction on flexible retirement.</b></p>	<p>Princes Risborough Town Council will only waive the actuarial reduction on flexible retirement in exceptional circumstances following approval from the Admin/HR Committee</p>
<p><b>5). Reg 30(8) Waiving actuarial reduction on early retirement (age 55+) – for both active and deferred members</b></p>	<p>Princes Risborough Town Council will only waive the actuarial reduction on early retirement in exceptional circumstances and as the result of the expressed permission of the Admin/HR Committee after considering the costs that would apply.</p>

<p><b>6). Regs 22(8 &amp; 9) Whether to extend 12-month period to separate previous LG service.</b></p>	<p>Princes Risborough Town Council will not allow an extension to the 12-month period.</p>
<p><b>7). Reg 9(3) Determine rate of employees' contributions.</b></p>	<p>Princes Risborough Town Council will review all employees' contribution bands when there has been contractual change to a member's salary or hours at some point during the year. A member's contribution rate will not be reviewed as the result of one-off additional payments (such as honorariums)</p>
<p><b>8). Reg 100(6) Whether to extend 12-month period to allow a transfer-in of non-LG pension rights.</b></p>	<p>Princes Risborough Town Council will not allow an extension to the 12-month period to allow a transfer-in of non-LG pension rights.</p>

**Abbreviations**

**“Reg 16(2)e” means Regulation 16(2)e of the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 2013 [which apply from 1 April 2014]**

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