

RST Letter – Key Points – Jennifer Bunting (DOR: 8 September 2025)

1a. Full pension – (Option 1)

- Full Underpin pension of **£9,613.99 per annum** (*all post-2006*)

- The post-2006 pension of **£9,613.99 per annum** will be increased each year on 1 October by the lower of the increase in the Retail Prices Index and 2.5%

OR

1b. Tax-free cash sum & residual pension – (Option 2)

- Tax-free cash sum of **£48,880.05** – (within member's available 'LS&DBA' of **£1,073,100.00** and 'LSA' of **£268,275.00**)
PLUS
Residual pension of **£7,332.01 per annum** (*all post-2006*)

- The post-2006 pension of **£7,332.01** will be increased each year on 1 October by the lower of the increase in the Retail Prices Index and 2.5%

2. Payment of pension

- The pension will be paid by monthly instalments in advance
- The first payment of pension will be made on **1 October 2025**
- The pension will be paid for life and will be subject to PAYE

3. Death in retirement

- If the member dies before 60 monthly instalments of pension have been paid, the balance of the 60 months (based on the rate of pension payable at the member's date of death) will be paid as a lump sum death benefit
- For both options, a spouse's pension will be payable on the death of the member of **£3,845.60 per annum** (*all post-2006*) – (*these figures are before any annual increases are applied between the member's date of retirement and the member's date of death*)
- The spouse's pension will be paid for life and will be subject to PAYE

4. General information

- Mention that the Underpin pension of **£9,613.99 per annum** is higher than the CARE pension of **£7,049.71 per annum**
- Mention that the pension has been reduced due to the member's early retirement

5. Details required

- Request a copy of the member's birth certificate
- Request the member's completed 'Option choice' form
- Request the member's completed 'Bank details' form

NOTE –

Letters should be written in full and should include the information contained in each of the bullet points.

Failure to write a letter in full will result in marks being lost.

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