





Welcome to the Christmas edition of the National LGPS Frameworks News Bulletin 'by the LGPS, for the LGPS'

We hope you are all keeping safe and well during what has been a very different set of circumstances for everyone.

The Frameworks team are following government advice and are working from home, but we are maintaining business as usual including the re-let of the Global Custody Services Framework and Actuarial, Benefits and Governance Consultancy Services Framework. There is more information about both within this Newsletter.

We understand the importance of keeping our colleagues informed, especially during this difficult time, with the latest news and developments within the National LGPS Frameworks. Hopefully this bulletin will help to keep you up to date with latest news. We always welcome feedback so if there is anything you would like to see in future editions please get in touch, our contact details can be found at the bottom of this bulletin.

> We hope you enjoy reading our festive edition and thank you for your support of the National LGPS Frameworks. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the National LGPS Frameworks Team.

New Frameworks Coming Soon!

New Global Custody Services Framework



Actuarial, Benefits & Governance Framework

The National LGPS Frameworks team and the Founders on the Global Custody Services Framework are making good progress with this new framework.

Bids from potential providers were received in late November and the evaluation and moderation of these by the Founding Authorities is well underway. Thank you to all of the representatives from the Founding

We are also making good progress on the third Actuarial, Benefits & Governance Consultancy Services Framework.



Authorities for your time and effort in completing this huge task.

will publish this in the new year. We are aiming to get the new Framework live to replace the existing Framework as soon as it expires in June 2021.

The Founders have signed off on the invitation to tender document and we

We are still on track to launch this Framework in February 2021. If you have any questions or are interested in using this Framework, please contact us using the details at the bottom of this bulletin.

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Services you can access via the National LGPS Frameworks

Did you know that there are ten live National LGPS Frameworks to help you access services ranging from Actuarial, Benefits and Consultancy to Legal and Member Data Services.

Does your fund require Address Tracing, Correction Services, or Mortality Screening Services? If so, the Member Data Services Framework could help with your next procurement exercise. For a joining fee of £500 you can access all four Lots and all four Providers, and you are able to call off from this Framework as many times as you need during its lifetime. Direct Award is also available viathis Framework.

These are the ten Frameworks currently available:

Actuarial, Benefits and Governance Consultancy Services Investment Management Consultancy Services Investment Management Performance and Cost Monitoring and Reporting Services **Legal Services**

Member Data Services Framework

Passive Investment Services

Pensions Administration Software

Stewardship Advisory Services

Third Party Administration Services

Transition Management and Implementation Services

If you would like further information on how the Frameworks listed above could help you with your next procurement you can find out more information on our website or by contacting us – our details are at the end of this Bulletin.

Our newest Framework: Pensions Administration Software

The Pensions Administration Software Framework has now been live for eight months, and the interest and number of call-offs has continued to grow during this time.

Now the framework has been live for a little while, we are updating our guidance to make sure the Framework is as easy as possible for funds to use. If you have used the Framework or are currently in the process of calling off we would really appreciate any feedback you may have on the documentation and the call-off process. If you have any comments on this please get in touch.

If you are interested in the Pensions Administration Software Framework please click here.

Covid-19 Working Arrangements – We're still here for you 🐞 Stewardship Framework – what do you need?



The National LGPS Frameworks team have been working from home since March, and are continuing to maintain business as usual for all current Frameworks and are continuing to progress work on new Frameworks.



Norfolk County Council, as the host of the National LGPS Frameworks, have rolled out soft telephony through Microsoft Teams, meaning that we are able to access our telephone numbers through our laptops. If you would like to speak to a member of the team about any issue, or would like help accessing any of our Frameworks, please do not hesitate to give us a call as usual.

If you have any questions about our working arrangements please feel free to ask. We will also publish updates from time to time in the news section on our website which can be found here.

feedback We are looking at creating a new Stewardship Framework early in the New Year. We recognise that this is a really high profile and important area for the LGPS.

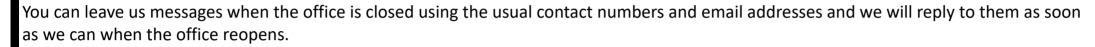
To ensure the Framework is what you need as we look ahead, we would really welcome your thoughts and ideas on the services you would like to see included.

All comments and feedback would be gratefully received – please contact Leon Thorpe at leon.thorpe@norfolk.gov.uk or Jo Quarterman at jo.quarterman@norfolk.gov.uk.

Christmas and New Year Opening Hours

Our office hours will be slighty different over the Christmas and New Year period.

The National LGPS Frameworks office will be closed from midday Thursday 24 December 2020. We will reopen again at 08:30am Monday 4 January 2021.





Thank you for your continued support through what has been a difficult year. From all of us at the National LGPS Frameworks,

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year



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If you would like to find out more about the Frameworks mentioned above, or any other National LGPS Frameworks please visit https://www.nationallgpsframeworks.org/ or contact us on the details below.

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