



**Brent Pension Fund** 

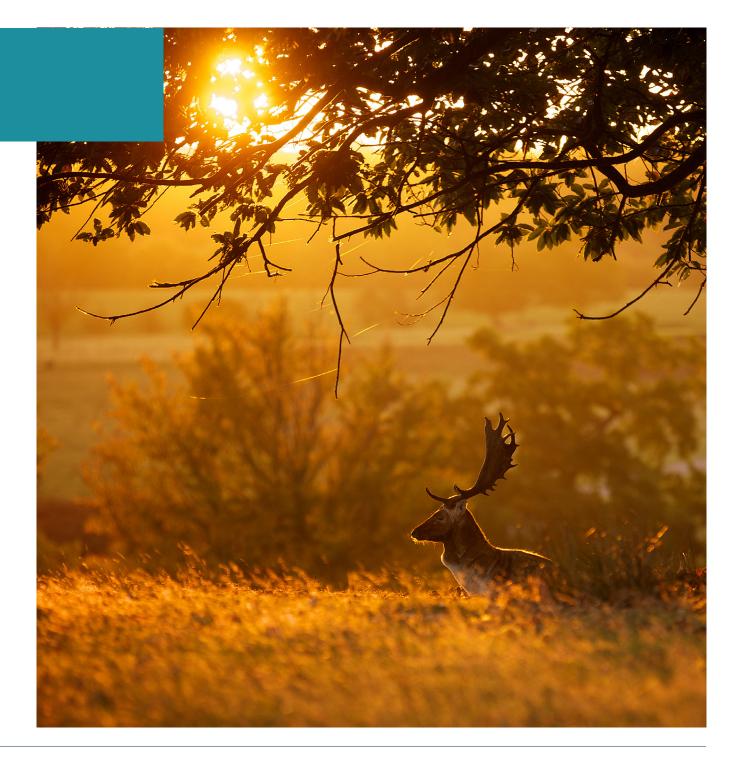
### Quarterly Administration Report

1st October – 31st December 2022

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#### **DEFINITIONS**

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#### **Total Fund Membership**

Total Fund Membership is the number of Member records held on the LPPA pensions administration system that are contributing to, awaiting benefits, or receiving benefits from the pension fund.

#### **Current Age Demographic**

The age profile of the Membership is split across three types of status: *Active Members* – Members who are currently contributing toward their pension benefits.

Deferred Members – Members who hold a deferred benefit in the fund. Pensioner Members – Pensioners and Dependants who are currently receiving a pension.

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#### Casework Performance Against SLA

Performance is measured once all information is made available to LPPA, to enable them to complete the process. All casework has a target timescale in which to complete the process, and performance is measured as the % of cases that have been completed within that timescale.

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#### **Casework Performance Against SLA**

The category of 'Other' on this page covers cases including, but not limited to:

- Benefit revisions
- Maternity/paternity cases
- Ill Health cases
- Scheme Opt-Out cases
- Cases raised to cover 'Member Online Portal' registration queries
- P60 queries
- 50/50 scheme changes
- APC / AVC queries

Please note the number of cases brought forward, does not match the corresponding number of outstanding cases reported in the previous quarter (due to reasons including the deletion of cases during the current reporting period).

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#### Helpdesk Performance

Average wait time measures the time taken from the caller being placed into the queue, to them speaking with a Helpdesk adviser.

The percentage of calls answered does not include calls that are abandoned by the caller where the wait time is less than 2 minutes.

All figures reported in this section are non-client specific, as not all member calls are dispositioned at client level. This means that call volumes and wait times are not at client level - however, as calls are answered (through our various IVR options) in relation to wait time, performance across all LPPA clients is broadly the same

As the needs of our business, Clients and Members change, we adapt our reporting to suit the current trends and ensure sight of common topics. For this reason it is necessary to update and add new topics in the reason for calls. To accommodate the multitude of reasons we have created a "Other" category which includes (but not limited to) 'Information Only', 'Website', 'Resend Documents'.

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#### **Customer Satisfaction Scores**

The overall Helpdesk and Retirement satisfaction scores includes the percentage of people who provided a satisfied or neutral response.

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#### **Member Online Portal**

The number and % of Members that are registered for the Member Online Portal, including a quarterly view.

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#### **Common/Conditional Data Fails**

The Pension Regulator requires Administrators to keep Member data up to date to ensure benefits are accurately paid. This is split by Common Data (details that are specific to the Member) and Conditional Data (data that is related to the pension).

Individual Fails shows the total number of unique Members that have a single or multiple number of Common Data or Conditional Data fails. On both charts, the Accuracy Rate (%) then compares the number of Individual Fails to the total number of Scheme Members.

For more detail on the Data Items / Error types presented in these charts, please visit either the <u>TPR</u> or <u>PASA</u> (The Pension Administration Standards Association) websites.

#### **OUR CORE VALUES**

This administration report is produced in accordance with the Service Level Agreement (SLA) for the provision of pension administration services.

The report describes the performance of Local Pensions Partnership Administration (LPPA) against the standards set out in the SLA.

Within LPPA, our values play a fundamental role in guiding our behaviour as we grow our pensions services business and share the benefits with our Clients.



#### **ANNUAL PLAN**





	Apr 22	May 22	Jun 22	Jul 22	Aug 22	Sep 22	Oct 22	Nov 22	Dec 22	Jan 23	Feb 23	Mar 23
Annual Benefit Statement and Newsletter to Deferred Members		<b>✓</b>										
Pension Increases		<b>✓</b>										
Annual Benefit Statement and Newsletter to Active Members					<b>✓</b>							
Pension Saving Statements							<b>✓</b>					
HMRC Scheme Returns							<b>~</b>					
IAS19 data			<b>✓</b>		<b>~</b>				<b>~</b>			

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Forward thinking...
Working together...
Doing the right thing...
Committed to excellence...

#### This performance report covers the reporting period of Q3 2022/23 (October – December 2022)

The second phase of the PACE migration to move to our new pensions administration system is now complete.

Phase 1 clients (9 clients / c300,000 members) successfully migrated between January – March 2022. Phase 2 clients (9 clients / c300,000 members) successfully migrated between October – December 2022.

To help us manage this significant change programme, we agreed a period of temporary relaxed SLAs for all clients between March – May 2022 and then again between November– January 2023.

The usual overall SLA target is 95%, and this target was relaxed as follows:

- High priority relaxed SLA for 3-months post go live (relaxed to 90% target SLA)
- Other cases relaxed SLA for 3-months post go live (relaxed to 70% target SLA – with the exception of no breach in statutory deadlines, disclosure or a guarantee period)
- Ill-health estimates/retirements prioritised
- Helpdesk call and web form wait times are likely to increase and we will
  manage this by pro-actively updating messages on our website, in the IVR
  when we receive calls and when a web-form is submitted to us

PRIORITY	CASE TYPE
HIGH	Deaths • Retirements deferred • Retirements active
OTHER	New Starters • Refunds • Transfers Out • Transfers In  Divorce • Aggregation • Deferred Benefits • Estimates – member  Estimates – employer • Correspondence

#### **Payroll**

No disruption to pensioner payroll or lump sum payments (this equates to over £100m, across all clients, in pension payments per month).

#### **Statutory Deadlines**

Pensions Savings Statements were successfully issued in October 2022.

#### **Casework SLA Performance**

Casework performance for the period was impacted by the final Phase 2 Pace migration, and this migration contained the largest number of clients in a single go live (5 clients). The spikes in work created by the migrations adversely impacts performance. Relaxed SLAs will apply through to the end of January 2023 to support Pace transition.

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#### **Satisfaction Scores**

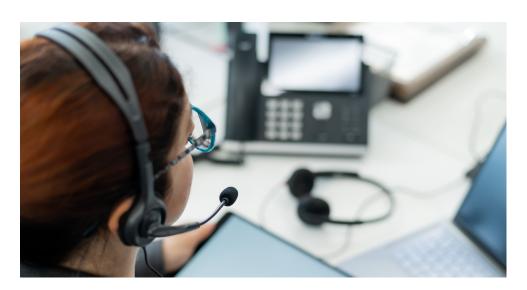
Helpdesk satisfaction scores has reduced slightly during the period. At the end of Q2, satisfaction was 83%, at the end of Q3 satisfaction was 80%.

Retirement satisfaction scores have decreased during the period. At the end of Q2, satisfaction was 69%, at the end of Q3 satisfaction was 64%. Satisfaction scores have been impacted by the phase 2 migrations and spikes in work which we currently have plans in place to work through.

#### **Pensions Helpdesk**

Helpdesk performance for the period has seen average wait times remain slightly higher, average 6 minutes, than our non-contractual target of 4 minutes. In December the average wait peaked at 9 minutes as performance was adversely impacted by higher call volumes at the start of the month, driving up average wait times.

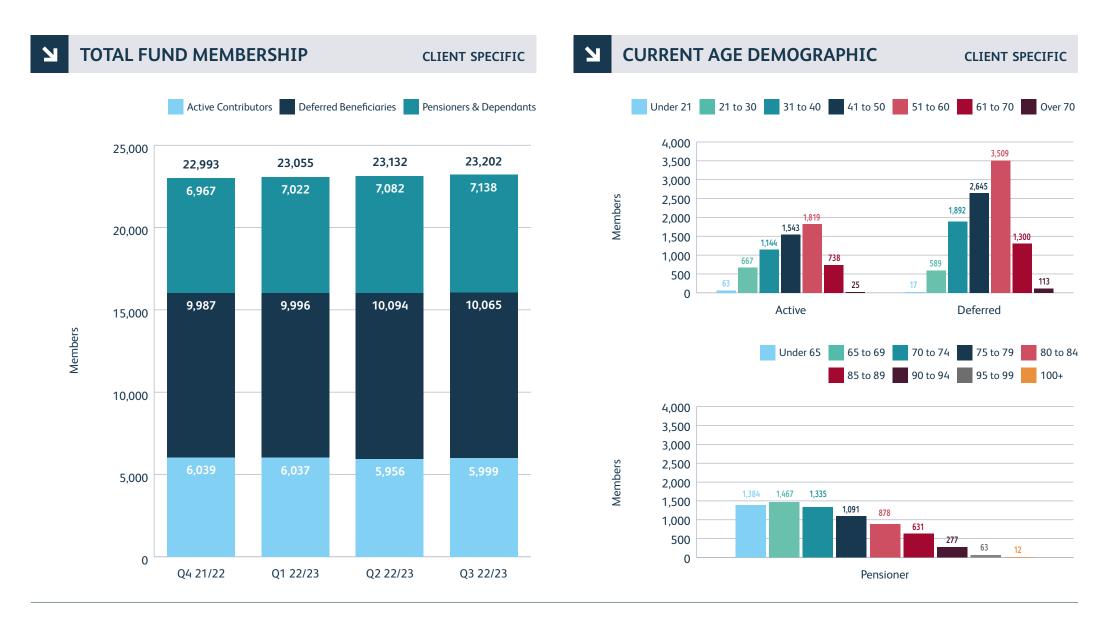




# Fund Membership

- Total Fund membership
- Current Age Demographic

#### **TOTAL FUND MEMBERSHIP**



# Casework Performance Against SLA

- Performance All cases
- Performance Standard

# CASEWORK PERFORMANCE AGAINST SLA

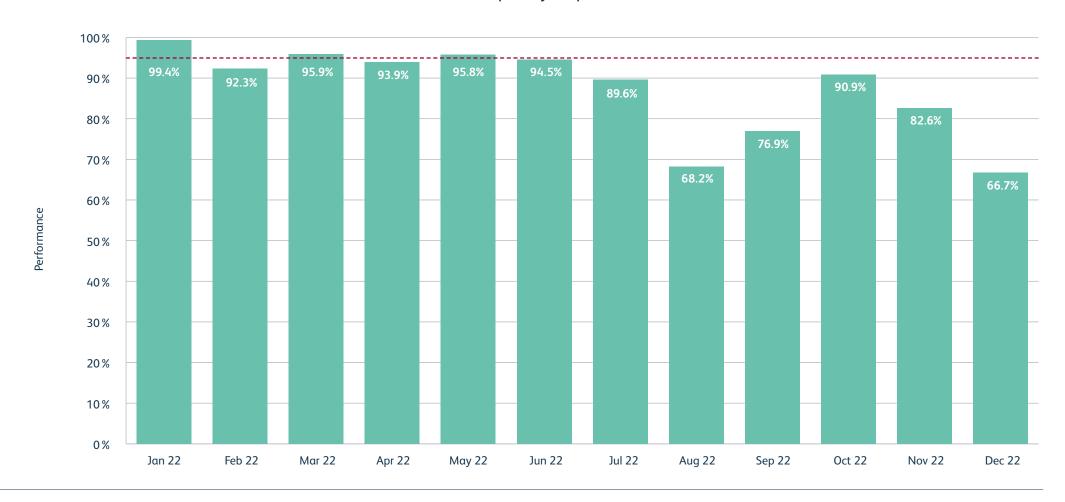
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#### **PERFORMANCE – ALL CASES**

**CLIENT SPECIFIC** 

----- Target (95%)

The quarterly SLA performance was 84.0%



# CASEWORK PERFORMANCE AGAINST SLA

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#### **PERFORMANCE STANDARD**

CLIENT SPECIFIC

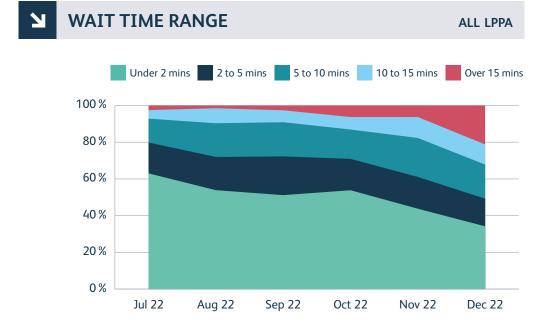


# Helpdesk Calls Performance

The Helpdesk deals with all online enquiries and calls from Members for all funds that LPPA provide administration services for.

- Wait time range
- Calls answered (%)
- Total calls

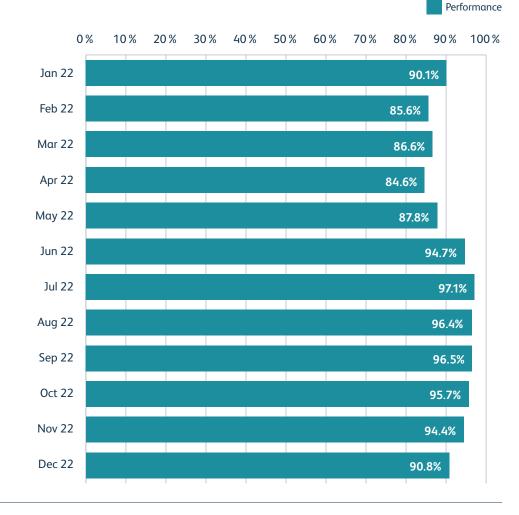
#### **HELPDESK CALLS PERFORMANCE**



	Under 2 mins	2 to 5 mins	5 to 10 mins	10 to 15 mins	Over 15 mins
Jul 22	63.0 %	16.8 %	13.0 %	4.7 %	2.5 %
Aug 22	53.9 %	18.1 %	18.3 %	8.2 %	1.5 %
Sep 22	51.2 %	21.1 %	18.6 %	6.5 %	2.6 %
Oct 22	53.8 %	17.1 %	16.0 %	6.8 %	6.3 %
Nov 22	43.8 %	17.3 %	21.2 %	11.4%	6.3 %
Dec 22	34.2 %	15.1 %	18.6 %	11.0 %	21.2 %



ALL LPPA



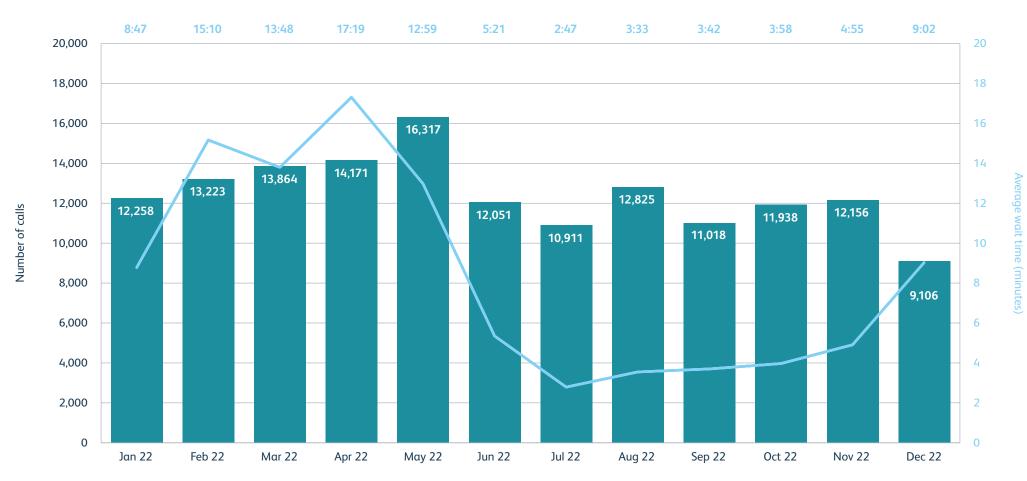
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#### **TOTAL CALLS**

**ALL LPPA** 



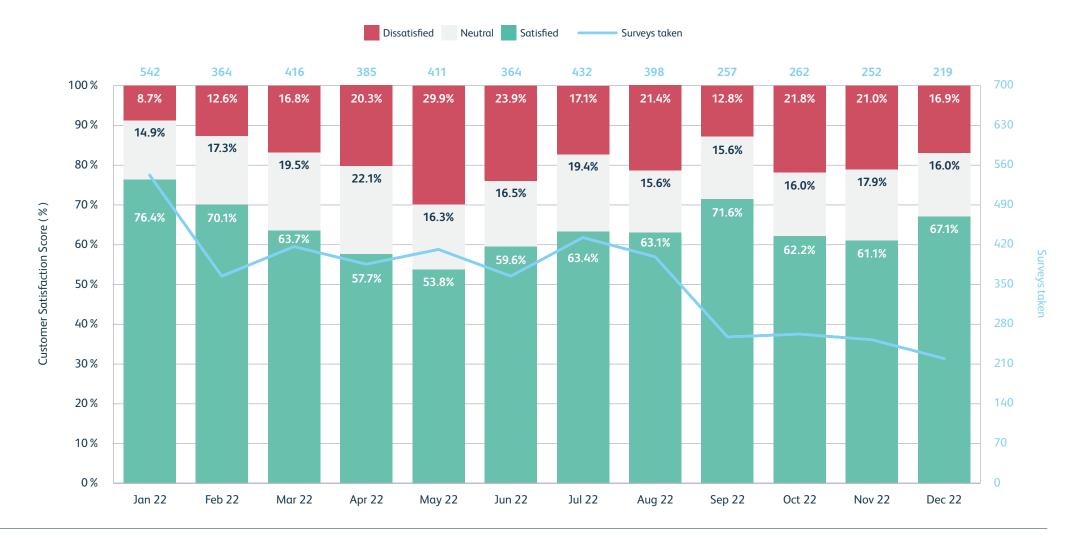


# **Customer Satisfaction Scores**

- Helpdesk calls satisfaction
- Retirements

#### **CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SCORES**

► HELPDESK CALLS SATISFACTION ALL LPPA



#### **CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SCORES**





# PensionPoint Member Online Portal

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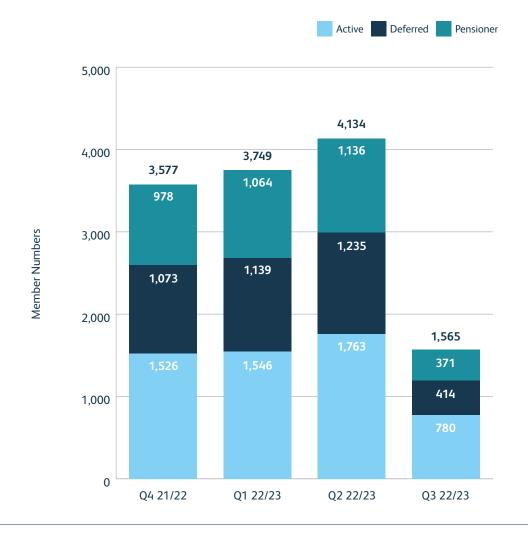
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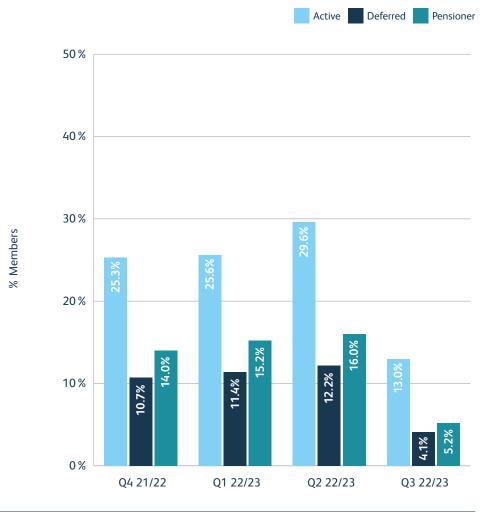
# PensionPoint MEMBER ONLINE PORTAL

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#### **MEMBERS REGISTERED**

**CLIENT SPECIFIC** 





# Employer Engagement & Communication Activity

- Delivered
- Scheduled
- Engagement communications

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#### **DELIVERED**

#### **ALL LPPA**

- 1. An <u>email</u> was issued to members of the LPPA member panel to share results of a survey focusing on the new online newsletter (active and deferred members), whilst also asking for feedback on the FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) section of the LPPA website.
- 2. Help Hub was launched on the LPPA website, a new member help and support section that consolidates all resources (FAQ's, videos, forms and documents, training) into one easily accessible area. The 'search' function has also been improved so that members can access the information they need quicker and easier.
- 3. News Hub was launched at the same time, a website page that enables quick and simple access to all LPPA new articles, blogs and research stories. It also includes links to all the latest LPPA newsletters.
- 4. The <u>LPPA employer toolkit page</u> was made available to help all employers communicate the benefits of PensionPoint to their members in the workplace. This includes access to content for internal emails, posters and intranet articles.
- 5. Member Sessions were delivered, all bookable via the LPPA Member Training page, including:



These online sessions are aimed at members to help improve their knowledge of their pension, whether they have recently joined the scheme, or have been in the scheme a while.

#### **Making Sense of Retirement**

These sessions are aimed at Members who are reaching retirement age (age 55 and over) to help improve their knowledge of the retirement process and claim their pension.

6. <u>Emails</u> were issued to clients and employers to highlight planned maintenance days and details of system downtime (w/c 31 Oct, with reminders issued w/c 14 and 21 Nov).





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#### **DELIVERED** CONTINUED

**ALL LPPA** 

- 7. Pension Pulse (employer newsletter) was issued in Q3, with features on UPM employer portal training, industry news and links to LGA bulletins.
- 8. <u>Training invites</u> were issued both to employers who are currently providing monthly data returns, as well as those which will be submitting from May 23 (training is scheduled every two weeks throughout 2023). The communication also provided employers with access to the monthly returns <u>online support page</u>.
- 9. Details of the LPPA Christmas opening hours were provided to clients (email) and employers / members on the LPPA website.

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#### **SCHEDULED**

**ALL LPPA** 

- 1. Emails will continue to be issued to encourage members to register for PensionPoint (promoting the benefits of online access to their pension).
- 2. Employer training sessions will continue with a focus on monthly returns and navigating the UPM employer portal, and sessions will include:
  - UPM employer portal training sessions to support with general navigation and submitting the monthly return data file.
  - Monthly Return Training regular training sessions will be available for employers to attend, with a demonstration of the upload of Monthly Return files via the UPM employer portal.
  - Remote employer visits will be conducted to support with navigating the UPM employer portal.
  - Employer visits (training sessions and support meetings) will continue to be delivered remotely.
- 3. Information on pension payment increases (from April 23), as well as pay dates, will be added to the LPPA website to inform retired members.
- 4. Website development will be completed to improve information (including both content and ease of access) for any new pension scheme joiners.
- 5. Employer Help Hub following the launch of the new member help and support resource on the website, LPPA will be developing a corresponding function for employers, with a view to launching in Q4.

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#### **ENGAGEMENT COMMUNICATIONS**

**CLIENT SPECIFIC** 

- Monthly return training sessions were delivered and 6 employers were in attendance across the 2 sessions
- 1 Brent Pension Fund employer attended Scheme Leavers training for employers
- UPM employer portal navigation sessions were held with 8 Brent Pension Fund employers in attendance across 4 sessions
- PensionPoint awareness training session was delivered and 1 employer attended
- Brent Employer Forum was held with 30 employers in attendance





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#### **EMPLOYERS**

#### CLIENT SPECIFIC

Date	Employer	Activity	Number in attendance
05 Oct	Brent Pension Fund Employers	UPM Employer Portal Training	3
06 Oct	Brent Pension Fund Employers	Monthly Returns Training	4
12 Oct	Brent Pension Fund Employers	UPM Employer Portal Training	2
03 Nov	Mazars Payroll Provider	UPM Employer Portal Training	1
23 Nov	Brent Pension Fund Employers	Brent Employer Forum	30
08 Dec	Mazars Payroll Provider	Monthly Returns Training	1
08 Dec	LB of Brent	Monthly Returns Training	1
13 Dec	CompassLP Payroll Provider	Scheme Leavers Training	1
14 Dec	Preston Park Primary	PensionPoint Awareness Training	1
15 Dec	Oliver Goldsmith	UPM Employer Portal Training	1
15 Dec	LB of Brent	UPM Employer Portal Training	1



#### **EMAILS - EMPLOYERS**

CLIENT SPECIFIC



#### **EMAILS - MEMBERS**

**CLIENT SPECIFIC** 

#### October

Blackout period

#### **November**

- Welcome to UPM / UPM now live
- Important reminder about your move to UPM
- Planned maintenance reminder
- November Pension Pulse
- Essential system maintenance reminder
- Monthly return (update)

#### **December**

- December opening hours
- Invite: book on monthly returns training

#### October

• PensionPoint (teaser)

#### **December**

• PensionPoint (go-live)

# **Data Quality**

- Common data
- Conditional data

#### **DATA QUALITY** (TPR SCORES)

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#### **COMMON DATA**

CLIENT SPECIFIC



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Data Item	Active	Deferred	Pensioner / Dependant
Invalid or Temporary NI Number	2	79	24
Duplicate effective date in status history	0	0	3
Gender is not Male or Female	0	0	0
Duplicate entries in status history	5	24	15
Missing (or known false) Date of Birth	0	0	0
Date Joined Scheme greater than first status entry	7	0	4
Missing Surname	0	0	0
Incorrect Gender for members title	0	0	0
Invalid Date of Birth	5	0	0
No entry in the status history	0	0	0
Last entry in status history does not match current status	5	0	0
Member has no address	20	525	32
Missing Forename(s)	0	6	1
Missing State Retirement Date	0	0	0
Missing postcode	21	567	58
Missing Date Joined Pensionable Service	0	0	0
Total Fails	65	1,201	137
Individual Fails	43	652	94
Total Members	5,999	10,065	7,138
Accuracy Rate	99.3%	93.5%	98.7%
Total accuracy rate			96.6%

Data Item	Fails
Divorce Records	0
Transfer In	113
AVC's/Additional Contributions	25
Deferred Benefits	2
Tranches (DB)	0
Gross Pension (Pensioners)	58
Tranches (Pensioners)	0
Gross Pension (Dependants)	66
Tranches (Dependants)	70
Date of Leaving	17
Date Joined Scheme	20
Employer Details	3
Salary	235
Crystallisation	218
Annual Allowance	168
LTA Factors	95
Date Contracted Out	1,244*
Pre-88 GMP	469
Post-88 GMP	528
Total Fails	3,331
Individual Fails	3,249
Total Members	23,202
Accuracy Rate	86.0%

\* Date Contracted Out will be migrated to UPM in February.

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