

LG PEN 14

Notification of an Eligible Cohabiting Partner

The Nottinghamshire
Local Government Pension Scheme

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**Nottinghamshire
County Council**

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Explanatory Notes

Benefits payable on the death of a member of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) include pensions for children, for a surviving spouse or registered civil partner¹ and, provided the scheme member paid into the LGPS on or after 1 April 2008, for an eligible cohabiting partner.

If you have a cohabiting partner, of either opposite or same sex, they will be entitled to receive a survivor's pension on your death if they meet the criteria to be considered to be an eligible cohabiting partner.

For an eligible cohabiting partner's survivor's pension to be payable, all of the following conditions must have applied for a continuous period of at least 2 years on the date of your death:

- you and your cohabiting partner were free to marry each other or enter into a civil partnership with each other, and
- you and your cohabiting partner were living together as if you were husband and wife, or civil partners, and
- neither you nor your cohabiting partner were living with someone else as if you / they were husband and wife or civil partners, and
- either your cohabiting partner was financially dependent on you or you were financially interdependent on each other.

Your partner is financially dependent on you if you have the highest income. Financially interdependent means that you rely on your joint finances to support your standard of living. It doesn't mean that you need to be contributing equally. For example, if your partner's income is a lot more than yours, he or she may pay the mortgage and most of the bills, and you may pay for the weekly shopping.

On your death, a survivor's pension would be paid to your cohabiting partner if:

- all of the above criteria apply at the date of your death, and
- your cohabiting partner satisfies us that the above conditions had been met for a continuous period of at least 2 years immediately prior to your death.

You are not required to complete a form to nominate a cohabiting partner for entitlement to a cohabiting partner's pension. However, you may wish to notify us of your circumstances by providing us with your cohabiting partner's details using this form. Upon your death we will require evidence to check that the conditions for an eligible cohabiting partner's pension are met.

Upon completion, return this form to:
Notts LG Pensions Office
Business Support Centre
Nottinghamshire County Council
c/o County Hall, West Bridgford
Nottingham NG2 7QP

¹ A civil partnership is a relationship between two people of the same sex (civil partners) which is formed when they register as civil partners of each other.

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This form is for completion by those members of the LGPS who wish to notify us of their cohabiting partner details. If you are married or in a registered civil partnership, there is no need to complete this notification. Before completing and returning the form, please read the attached notes.

Your Personal Details

Surname:	Title: Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Other
First Name(s):	
Home Address:	
	Post Code:
National Insurance Number:	Date of Birth:
Employer's Name:	

Your Partner's Details

Surname:	Title: Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Other
First Name(s):	
National Insurance Number:	Date of Birth:
Scheme Member's Signature:	Date:



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