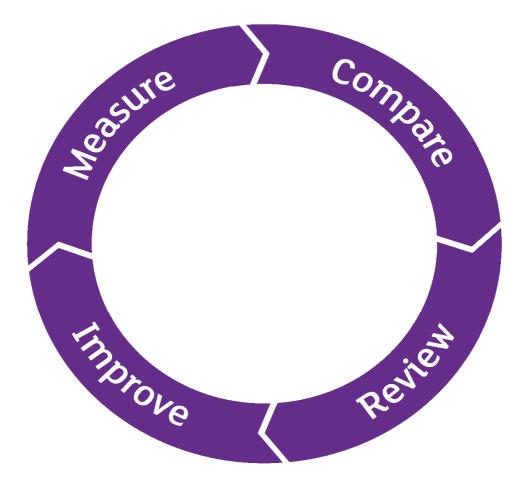


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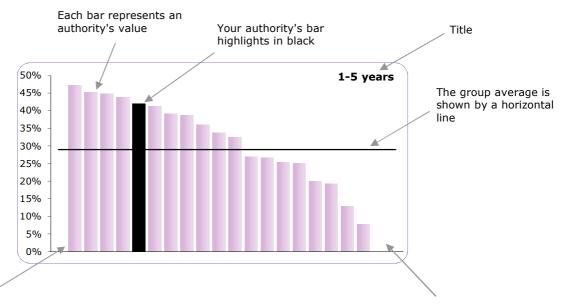
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Throughout the report your figures are shown in tables and in graphical form. If you are not familiar with our reports we hope this page will help you to better understand the way we present this data.

**Averages:** Almost all of our tables and charts compare your figure with a group average. The average is the unweighted mean value for the group. This average value ignores missing data, or data that we have excluded and for this reason sets of averages sometimes do not reconcile precisely.

**Charts:** We display a large amount of data on charts as this allows us to show the data for the entire group efficiently and gives far more information than a simple average (i.e. range of data, individual authority values etc.). Below we have annotated an example chart to help explain what they are showing.

#### Bar Charts: These are our standard method of displaying a full set of data



'Missing bars' on the left represent missing data or excluded data and are not included in calculating the average

Staff experience						
	FTE	%	Avg			
< 1 year	1.5	10%	9%			
1-5 years	6.5	42%	29%			
5-10 years	3.5	23%	21%			
> 10 yrs	4.0	26%	41%			
Total	15.5					

'Missing bars' on the right represent zero values and are included in the average

# INTRODUCTION

This report compares your performance with the group of authorities specified on the title page. It is divided into the following sections.

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#### Section 1 - Summary 2015

This page provides a brief summary of the most salient aspects of the report.

#### Section 2 - Cost Measures

This section concentrates on cost/member ratios starting with total cost/member which is then broken down by staff costs, payroll costs, direct costs, overheads and income. Further analysis of direct costs and overheads is also provided in this section.

#### Section 3 - Workload Measures

The first measure of workload is the number of members in the scheme, which is shown along with a breakdown by class of membership. This is followed by an analysis of the number and type of LGPS employers.

Other workload measures include:

- $\cdot$  Joiners and leavers with a full analysis of the various types of retirements
- $\cdot$  Number of quotations provided and actual events processed
- $\cdot$  AVCs, ARCs and Added years
- Appeals

#### Section 4 - Staff Related Measures

The measures included here are an analysis of staff numbers by pay band, sickness absence, pensions work experience, staff qualifications and staff turnover.

#### Section 5 - Industry Standard Performance Indicators

In this section we show how authorities perform against each of the LGPC performance indicators.

#### Section 6 - Comparison by Method of Service Delivery (final report only)

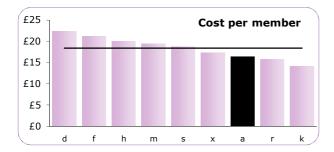
This shows members' costs and averages compared for in-house and externally managed pension schemes.

#### Section 7 -Timeseries (final report only)

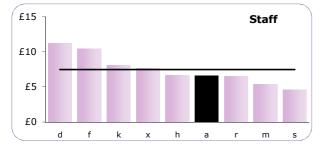
This shows the individual members' performance over time compared to the club average for cost per member, which is analysed over staff cost and other costs.

# SECTION 1 - SUMMARY 2014/15

## NET COST / MEMBER 2014/15



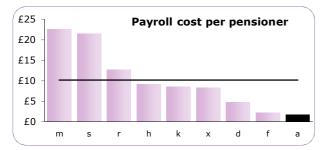
### STAFF COST / MEMBER 2014/15



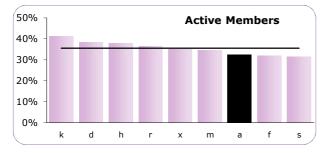
## COST £'000 / FTE

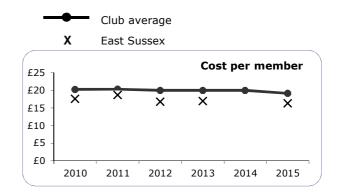


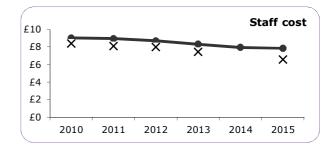
## **PAYROLL COST / PENSIONER**



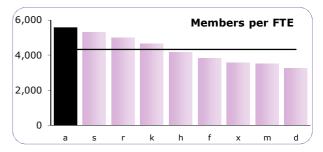
### **ACTIVES AS A % MEMBERS**







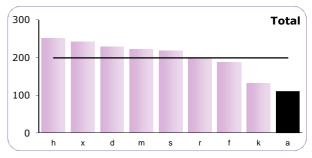
### **MEMBERS LGPS / ADMIN FTE**



### **PENSIONERS AS A % MEMBERS**

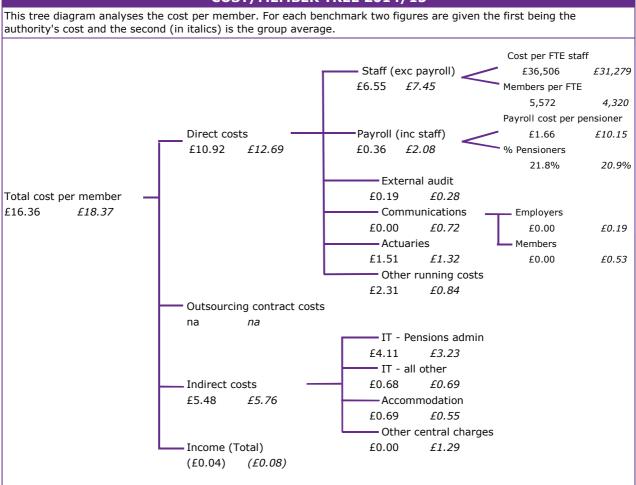


### NUMBER OF LGPS EMPLOYERS



# **SECTION 2 - COST MEASURES**

COST/MEMBER TREE 2014/15



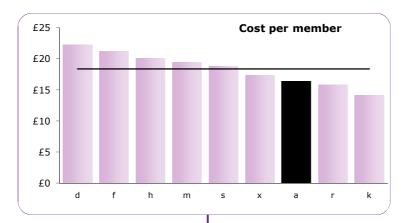
FTE staff	
Pension Section total	15.4
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IT staff	-
Payroll staff	1.0
Communications staff	-
Employing authority work	1.0
Work for other schemes	1.0
Other work	-
Admin of LGPS	12.4

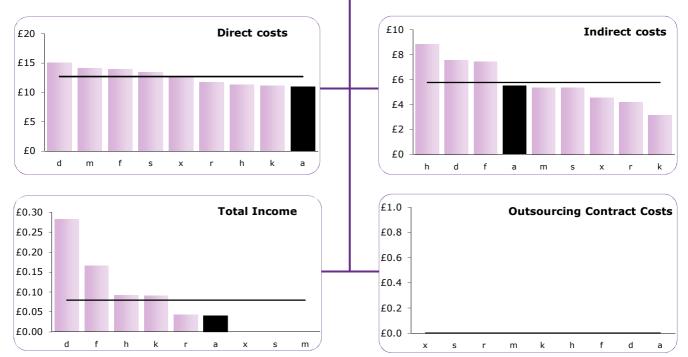
Net Costs £'000	
	£'000
Pension Section total	1,131
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Work for other schemes	-
Employing authority work	-
Other work	-
Admin of LGPS	1,131

Admin of LGPS costs		£ per	
	£'000	member	Avg
Staff - administration	453	6.55	7.45
Staff - payroll	25	0.36	0.44
Payroll	-	-	1.64
Communications (Total)	-	-	0.72
Actuaries	104	1.51	1.32
External audit	13	0.19	0.28
Other running costs	160	2.31	0.84
Total Direct Costs	755	10.92	12.69
Outsourcing costs	-	na	na
IT - Pensions admin	284	4.11	3.23
IT - All other	47	0.68	0.69
Accommodation	48	0.69	0.55
Other central charges	-	-	1.29
Total Indirect Costs	379	5.48	5.76
Gross Cost	1,133	16.40	18.45
Income - Members	(3)	(0.04)	(0.03)
Income - Employers	(0)	(0.00)	(0.01)
Income - Other	-	-	(0.04)
Total Income	(3)	(0.04)	(0.08)
Net Cost	1,131	16.36	18.37
Total Scheme Membership	e	59,098	

\*Outsourcing Contract Costs average only includes those members who have outsourcing costs.

# **COST PER MEMBER 2014-15**

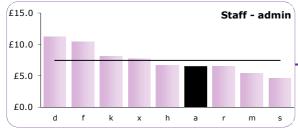


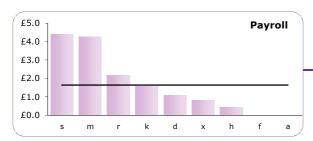


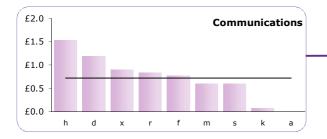
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### COSTS PER MEMBER - Direct costs 2014/15

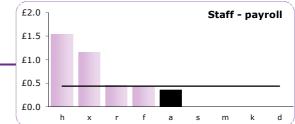


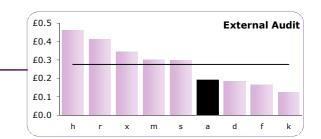


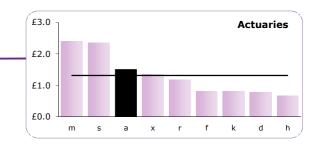


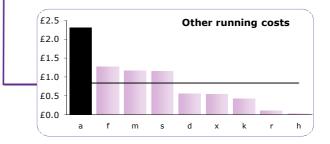


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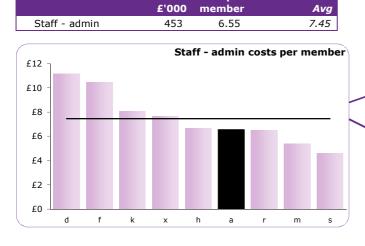


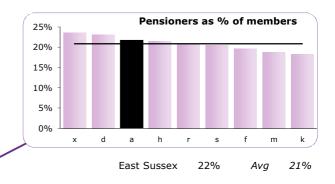
### DIRECT COSTS PER MEMBER - Staff and Payroll costs 2014/15

£ per

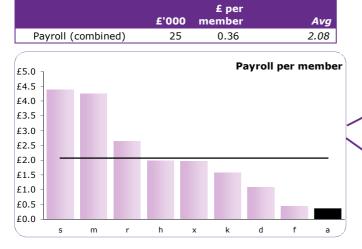


East Sussex 5,572 Avg 4,320

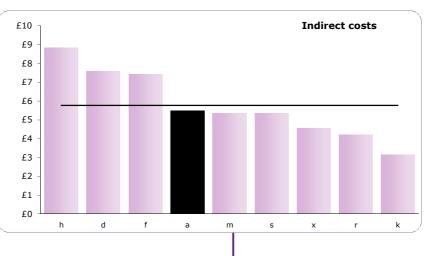


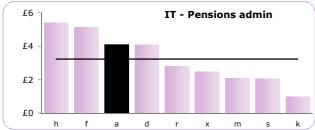


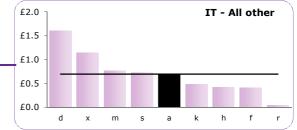


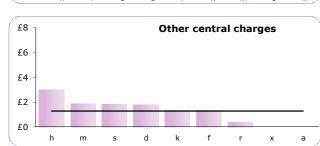


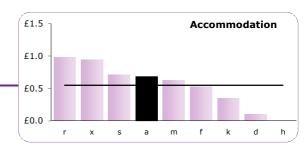
### COSTS PER MEMBER - Indirect costs 2014/15





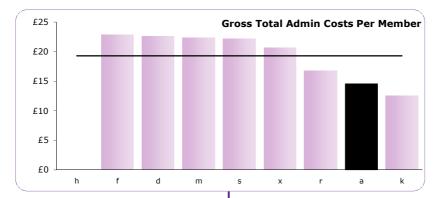


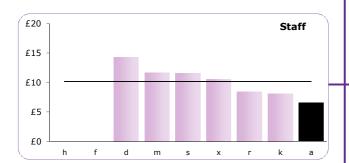


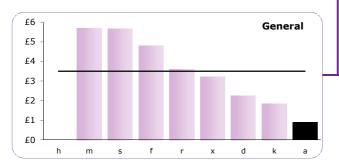


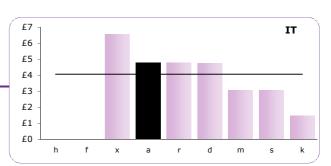
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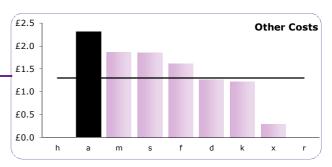
## COSTS PER MEMBER - LGPS Administration Expenses Analysis 2014/15











LGPS Administration Expenses		£ per	
	£'000	member	Avg
Staff Costs	453	6.56	10.16
IT Costs	331	4.79	4.06
General Costs	61	0.88	3.49
Other Costs	160	2.32	1.30
Gross LGPS Admin Exp.	1,005	14.54	19.30
Gross LGPS Income	3	0.04	0.20
Net LGPS Admin Exp.	1,002	14.51	18.59



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# **SECTION 3 - WORKLOAD MEASURES**

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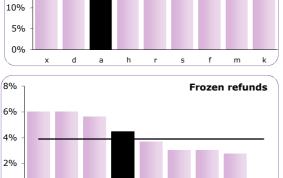
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## COMPOSITION OF MEMBERS AS AT 31/3/2015



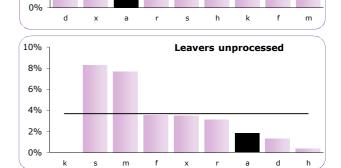


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Composition of members				
	No.	%	Avg	Avg %
Active:				
- full-time	8,217	12%	8,669	11.9%
- part-time	14,151	20%	17,475	23.6%
- no. of elected Members	32	0.05%	39	0.07%
- sub-total	22,400	32%	26,183	35.5%
Deferred:				
- Staff	24,872	36%	24,320	33.2%
- Elected Members	39	0.1%	15	0.0%
Pensioners	15,043	22%	15,259	20.9%
Dependants	2,402	3.5%	2,321	3.2%
Frozen refunds	3,100	4.5%	2,736	3.9%
Leavers unprocessed	1,242	1.8%	2,590	3.7%
Total	69,098		73,423	

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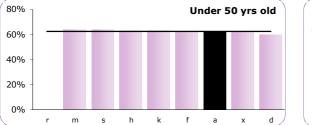
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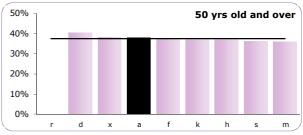
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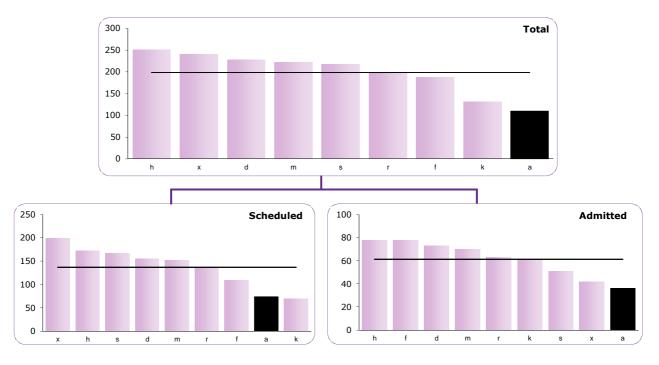
## COMPOSITION OF MEMBERS AS AT 31/03/2015





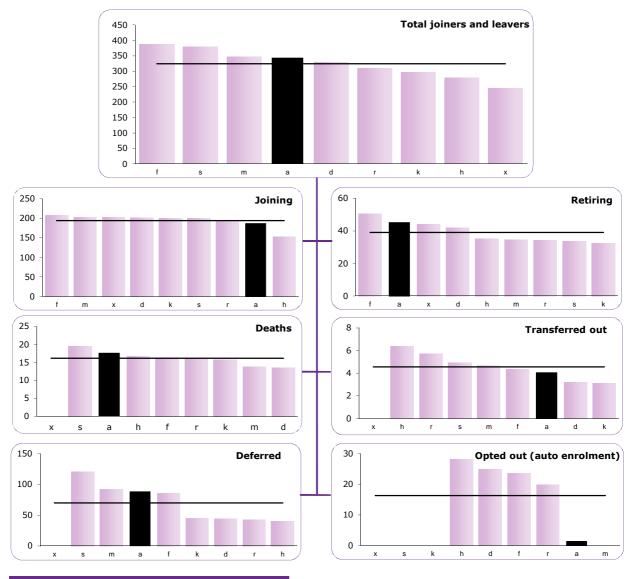
Composition of active members					
	No.	%	Avg		
Under 50 yrs old	13,885	62%	62%		
50 yrs old and over	8,515	38%	38%		

## NUMBER OF LGPS EMPLOYERS AS AT 31/03/2015



LGPS employers (31/3/15)							
	No.	Avg	of which:	No.	%	Avg	
Scheduled	74	137	Local Authorities	8	11%	16%	
Admitted	36	61	Transferee	26	72%	66%	
Total	110	199					

Employer changes 2014/15							
	Appli	ed	Admitted		Leaving		
	No.	Avg	No.	Avg	No.	Avg	
Scheduled	5	15	5	24	1	4	
Admitted	6	5	6	7	5	2	



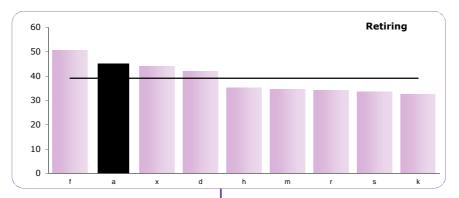
Joiners & leavers (per '000 active members)							
	No.	'000	Avg				
Joining	4,177	186	194				
Retiring	1,011	45	39				
Deaths	395	18	16				
Transferred out	91	4	5				
Deferred	1,984	89	70				
Opted out	29	1	16				
Total	7,687	343	324				

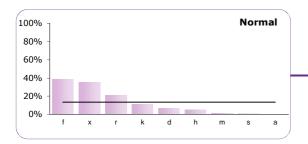
## LGPS members as % eligible employees

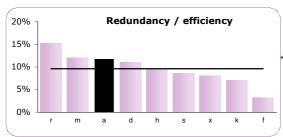


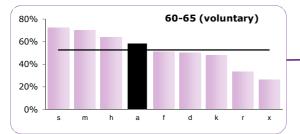


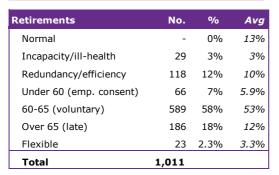
#### **RETIRING (per '000 active members)**



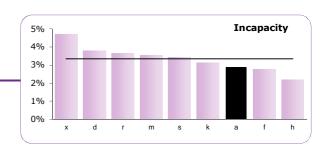


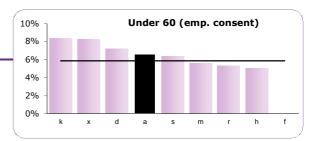


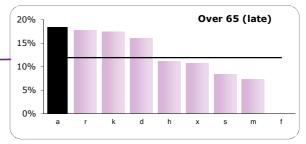


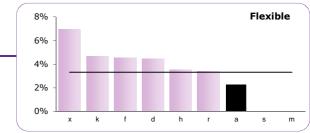


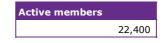
Retiring (per '000 active members)						
	No.	'000	Avg			
Retiring	1,011	45	39			



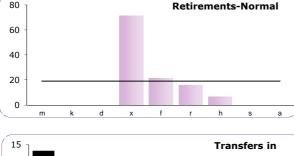


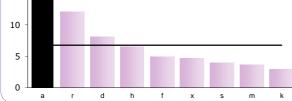


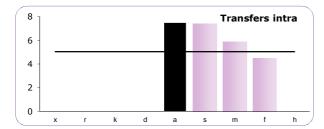


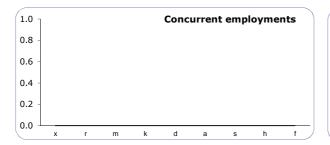




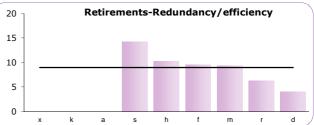


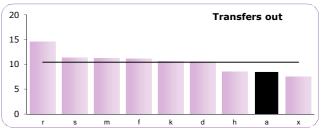


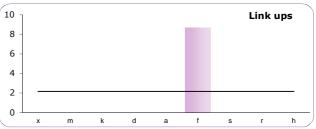


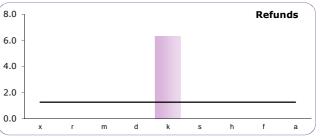


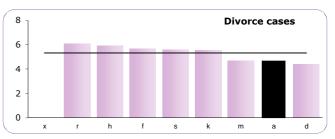
Active members: 22,400			
Quotations provided	No.	'000	Avg
TUPE -in	12	1	0
TUPE -out	1	0	0
Retirements:			
- Normal	-	-	19
- Incapacity/ill-health		na	1
- Redundancy/efficiency		na	9
- Flexible		na	2
- All other	1,350	60	43
Transfers in	314	14	7
Transfers out	189	8	10
Transfers intra	167	7	5
Link ups		na	2
Concurrent employments		na	-
Refunds	-	-	1
Divorce cases	105	5	5
Deaths in service		na	0
Deaths of pensioners		na	-





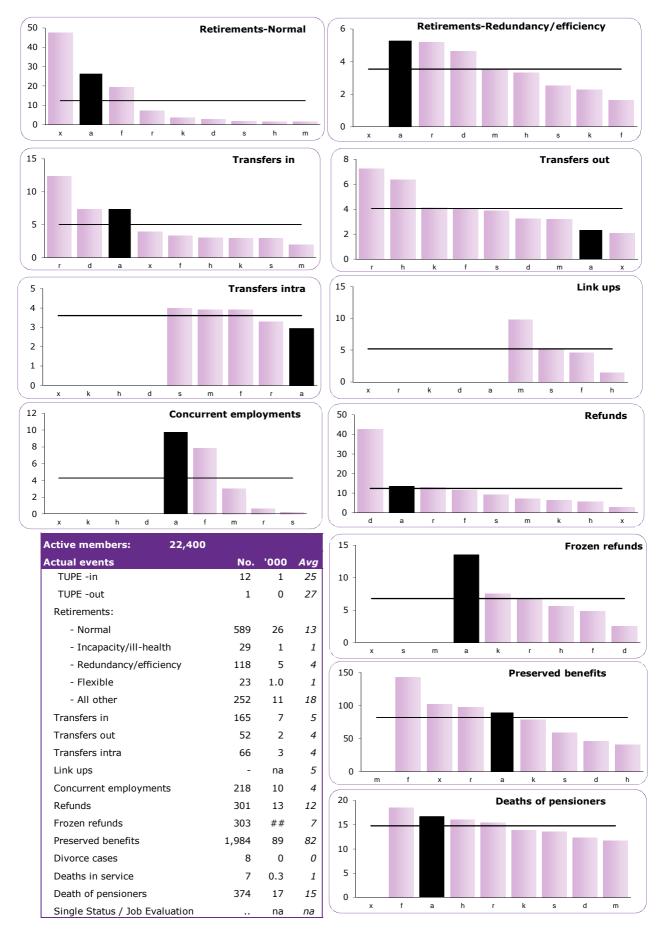




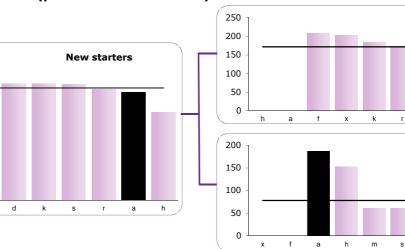


No of bulk transfers	No.	'000	Avg
TUPE -in	12	1	20
TUPE -out	1	0	16

#### 80 **Retirements-Normal**



#### NUMBER OF ACTUAL EVENTS (per '000 active members)



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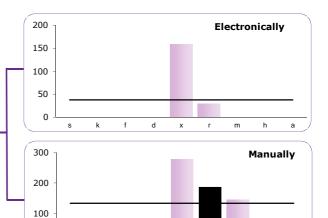
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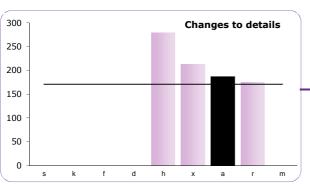
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# ACTUAL CALCULATIONS (per '000 active members)









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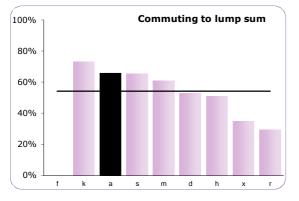
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#### **Retirements commuting to lump sum**

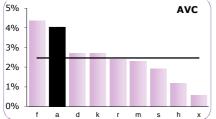


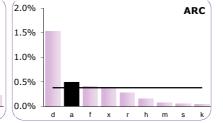
	No.	'000	Avg
New starters	4,177	186	194
- electronically	-	na	171
- manually	4,177	186	78
Changes to details	4,196	187	171
- electronically	-	0	38
- manually	4,196	187	133

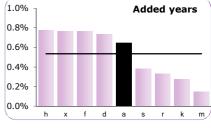
Retirements commuting lump sum						
Number	% total	Avg				
667	66%	54%				

#### AVCs, ARCs and Added years

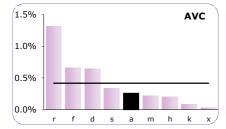
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**Contributors to AVCs and ARCS** 

New contributors this year

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- ARC

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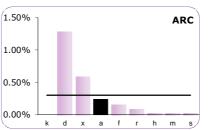
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Total

- Added years

- Added years



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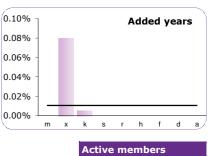
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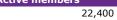
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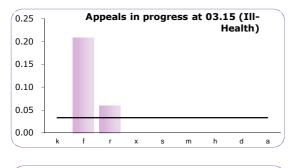
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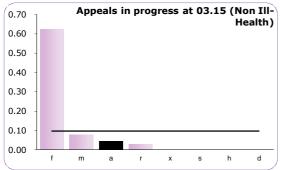




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## APPEALS





\*Club total: This shows the total for all the Benchmarking Club members 2015

Number of appeals	No.	Per '000	Avg	Club*
		members		total
Ill-Health				
In progress at start of year	0	0.00	0.04	6
In progress at end of year	0	0.00	0.03	6
Non Ill-Health				
In progress at start of year	0	0.00	0.07	10
In progress at end of year	1	0.04	0.10	16
1st Stage				
Appeals in Progress - 03.14	0	0.00	0.00	-
New Appeals in Year	1	0.04	0.10	17
Appeals Withdrawn	0	0.00	0.00	-
Appeals Upheld	0	0.00	0.03	4
Appeals Not Upheld	0	0.00	0.05	9
Appeals in Progress - 03.15	1	0.04	0.02	5
2nd Stage				
Appeals in Progress - 03.14	0	0.00	0.01	2
New Appeals in Year	0	0.00	0.00	1
Appeals Withdrawn	0	0.00	0.00	-
Appeals Upheld	0	0.00	0.01	1
Appeals Not Upheld	0	0.00	0.01	2
Appeals in Progress - 03.15	0	0.00	0.00	-
Ombudsman Referrals				
Appeals in Progress - 03.14	0	0.00	0.00	1
New Appeals in Year	0	0.00	0.01	1
Appeals Withdrawn	0	0.00	0.00	-
Appeals Upheld	0	0.00	0.00	-
Appeals Not Upheld	0	0.00	0.01	2
Appeals in Progress - 03.15	0	0.00	0.00	-

# **SECTION 4 - STAFF RELATED MEASURES**

## **STAFF PAY**

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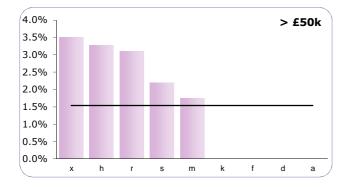
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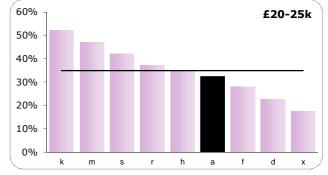
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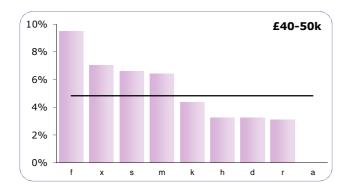
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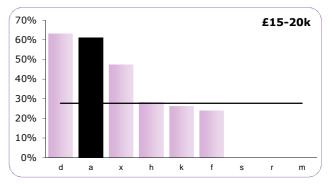
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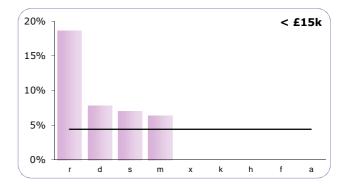
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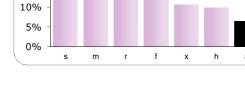
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Staff pay			
	FTE	%	Avg
> £50k	0.0	0%	2%
£40-50k	0.0	0%	5%
£30-40k	1.0	6%	15%
£25-30k	0.0	0%	11%
£20-25k	5.0	32%	35%
£15-20k	9.4	61%	28%
< £15k	0.0	0%	4%
Total	15.4		



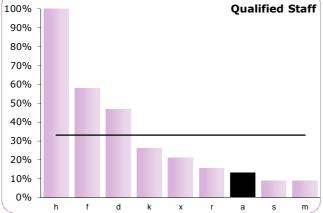
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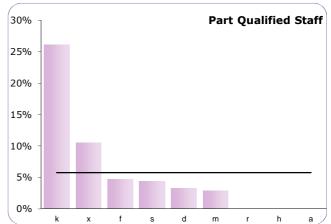
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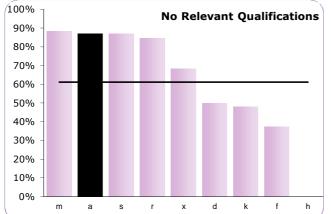
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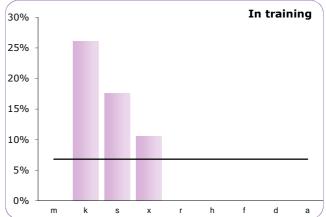
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# STAFF QUALIFICATIONS



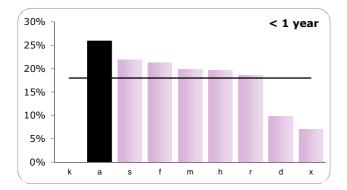


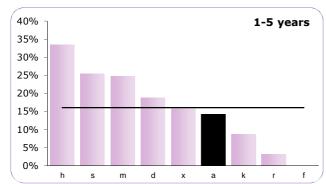


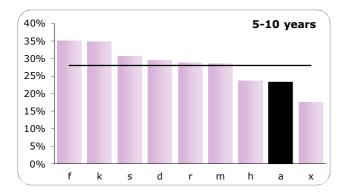


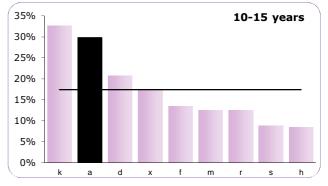
Staff qualifications							
	FTE	%	Avg				
Qualified Staff	2.0	13%	33%				
Part Qualified Staff	0.0	0%	6%				
No Relevant Qualifications	13.4	87%	61%				
Total	15.4						
Number in Training	0.0	0%	7%				

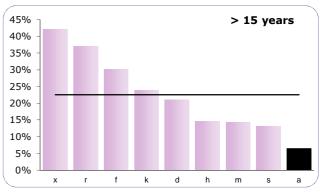
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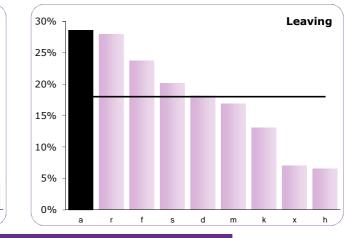








Staff experience			
	FTE	%	Avg
< 1 year	4.0	26%	18%
1-5 years	2.2	14%	16%
5-10 years	3.6	23%	28%
10-15 years	4.6	30%	17%
> 15 years	1.0	6%	23%
Total	15.4		



Staff Turnover	FTE	% change	Avg
Staff at 1/4/2013	15.8		
+ Staff joining Pension section	4.0	26.0%	16.3%
- Staff leaving Pension section	4.4	28.6%	18.0%
Staff at 31/3/2014	15.4	-2.5%	-1.1%

## STAFF TURNOVER

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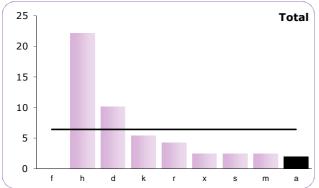
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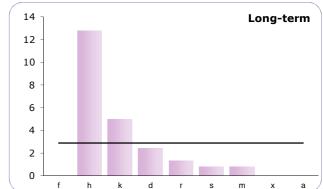
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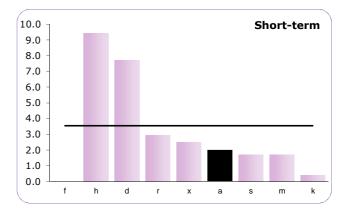
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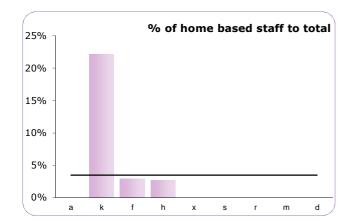




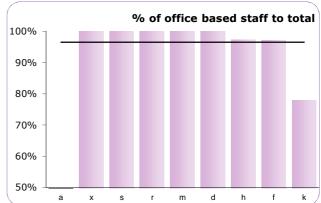


Sickness absence	Days/FTE	Avg
Long-term sickness	0.0	2.9
Short-term sickness	2.0	3.5
Total	2.0	6.4

Long-term sick (periods of sickness over 20 working days) Short-term sick (periods of sickness of 20 days or less)



## **STAFF LOCATION**



		% to total			
Staff location	FTE	Avg	FTE	Avg	
Home based	0.0	0.7	na	3%	
Office based	0.0	24.1	na	97%	
Total	0.0				

Office Based: Staff members who spend >50% of their contracted time working in the office Home Based: Staff members who spend 50% of their contracted time working from home.



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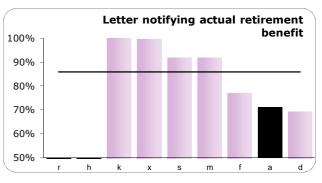
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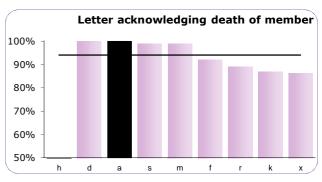
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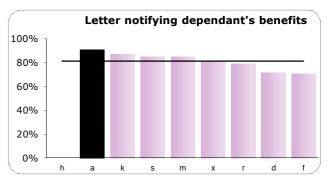
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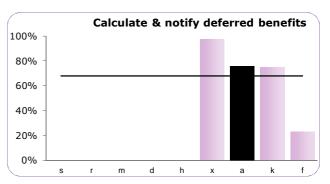
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# **SECTION 5 - INDUSTRY STANDARD PI's**









Industry Standard PI's	Target	Achieved	Avg
Letter detailing transfer in quote	10 days	96.0%	89.1%
Letter detailing transfer out quote	10 days	86.0%	88.0%
Process and pay refund	5 days	81.7%	88.3%
Letter notifying <b>estimate</b> of retirement benefit	10 days	92.2%	89.2%
Letter notifying actual retirement benefit	5 days	71.2%	85.8%
Process and pay lump sum retirement grant	5 days	71.2%	85.8%
Letter acknowledging death of member	5 days	100.0%	94.0%
Letter notifying amount of dependant's benefits	5 days	91.0%	81.3%
Calculate and notify deferred benefits	10 days	75.6%	67.8%



Letter estimating retirement benefit 100% 90% 80% 70% 60% 50% d h k f х а s m r

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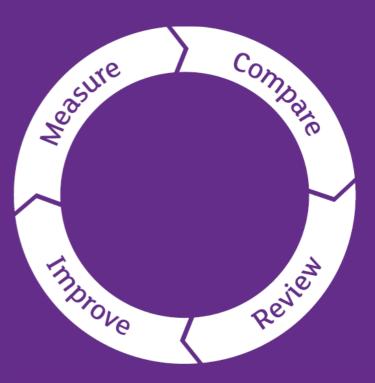
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