



## LANCASHIRE UNISON CAMPAIGN TO PROTECT OUR PENSIONS

# New Look Scheme - LGPS Trade Union Side Objectives

The Trade Union Side has considered the informal consultation paper 'Where Next?' by the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG). We want to improve the LGPS for all existing and potential members and have agreed our preferred options for the new scheme. We have therefore put together

a briefing paper 'Options for new LGPS - Trade Union Side Objectives' setting out our key aims. This document is enclosed with this bulletin.

This document will be the basis for a joint trade union side response to the DCLG consultation on the new look scheme. At head office we are

mailing out all LGPS employers with a briefing on our preferred option (option B).

In due course we will also produce a model branch response to the DCLG consultation.





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Please keep a regular eye on the unison website for more information.

Please note that another joint meeting between the Trade Union Side Negotiating Team and employer representatives is planned for early September.

## The Local Government (Early Termination of Employment) (Discretionary Compensation) (England & Wales) Regulations 2006

Following the end of the formal consultation on the proposal to change the Discretionary Payments Regulations the

DCLG has agreed to look again at issues around discretionary compensation and proposals for transitional protection.

The Trade Unions oppose the Discretionary Payments Regulations removal of the power of authorities to award compensatory added years for those made redundant over age 50. We are pushing for improvements in the ceiling for redundancy lump sums so people at all ages can be treated fairly.

### MP's Petition

Attached is a petition to go to Lancashire MP's and we need as many signatures as

possible. Please fill in the name of your local MP, get as many signatures as you can – work colleagues, friends and families etc and return to the Branch Office by 15 September 2006. We will then forward these to MP's across the County by 22 September 2006. Your MP needs to know the view of their constituents before Parliament reconvenes and they proceed to vote on the new look scheme. In addition, the 22 September 2006 coincides with the closing of the consultation period.



**Please circulate to non-members and encourage them to join.  
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