

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT PENSION SCHEME (SCOTLAND)
CIRCULAR SPN/LG No. 3/2012**

WHO SHOULD READ:

- The Secretary General**
- Convention of Scottish Local Authorities**
- The Chief Executive**
- Scottish Local Authorities**
- The Chief Executive**
- Water Authorities**
- The Principal Reporter**
- Scottish Children's Reporter Administration**
- The Chief Executive**
- Scottish Environment Protection Agency**
- The Director General**
- Strathclyde Passenger Transport Executive**
- The Clerk**
- Strathclyde Passenger Transport Authority**
- The Chief Executive/Director**
- VisitScotland**

ACTION:

This circular should be brought to the attention of Pension Managers, Superannuation Sections and LGPS Employer Payroll Departments. You may also wish to draw it to the attention of the Directors of Finance and Administration

About Circular No.3/2012:-

The purpose of this circular is to notify employers of the amendments contained in the **Local Government Pension Scheme (Administration) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2012 (SSI 2012/236)**.

These Regulations amend the Local Government Pension Scheme (Administration) (Scotland) Regulations 2008 to provide that support staff employees of the Scottish Police Authority established under section 1 of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 and the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service established under section 1A(1) of the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005 are eligible to be members of the Scottish Local Government Pension Scheme.

The amendments will allow existing Police and Fire support staff, currently in the Local Government Pension Scheme, to remain in the Scheme after 1 April 2013 and also to remain in the local government fund to which they currently contribute. New employees from 1 April 2013 will be allocated to the fund appropriate to the location of their employment.

The future pensions administration arrangements for support staff will be considered by the Scottish Police Authority and the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service once the two new bodies have been established.



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