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# Financial arrangements for firefighter pensions – top-up grant payments

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## Summary

This circular provides information on the amounts of firefighter pensions top-up grant paid to each FRA in July following submission of their FPF2 and FPF3 forms.

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## Financial arrangements for firefighter pensions – top-up grant payments

### 1.0 Introduction

1.1 The new arrangements for financing firefighter pensions were introduced in April 2006. Guidance on these new arrangements can be found on CLG's website at <http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/fire/guidancefire>.

### 2.0 Payments made in July 2008

2.1 Payments have now been made to FRAs which cover 80% of the top up grant they have estimated that they will require in 2008-09 and the remainder of the 2007/08 requirement. Any adjustments that needed to be made in respect of 2006/07, in light of the audited pensions fund data, have also been taken account of in this payment.

2.2 The amounts each FRA has received are set out below. If any FRA is in doubt about how these figures have been calculated for its authority please email [firepensionsfinance@communities.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:firepensionsfinance@communities.gsi.gov.uk) or either of the contacts above.

### 3.0 Collection of revised 2007/08 figures

3.1 The payments below exclude any additional amounts due to changes in commutation rates. CLG will collect revised figures for 2007/08 on the FPF1 form in October.

3.2 If you have any questions, or would like further information, please contact Alan M Turnbull on 020 7944 5690 or Danielle Ward on 020 7944 6191.

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## Firefighter Pensions Top-up Payments 2008 (£)

	Remainder to be paid 2006/07	Remainder to be paid 2007/08	80% of Estimate 2008/09	Total to be paid Jul-08
AVON	0	1,643,422	2,617,506	4,260,928
BEDFORDSHIRE	0	148,847	1,100,800	1,249,647
BUCKINGHAMSHIRE	139,036	-1,237,764	374,112	-724,616
CAMBRIDGESHIRE	-379,000	-160,000	1,879,200	1,340,200
CHESHIRE	168,287	3,543,512	2,291,200	6,002,999
CLEVELAND	0	1,180,760	2,582,400	3,763,160
CORNWALL	-677	68,194	867,355	934,872
CUMBRIA	0	954,098	1,801,600	2,755,698
DERBYSHIRE	0	2,238,650	2,112,000	4,350,649
DEVON & SOMERSET	-364,885	1,486,130	2,658,400	3,779,645
DORSET	-1,498	-95,845	1,618,400	1,521,057
DURHAM & DARLINGTON	857	-491,545	2,346,400	1,855,712
EAST SUSSEX	0	-362,811	2,136,800	1,773,988
ESSEX	0	2,001,467	3,064,000	5,065,467
GLOUCESTERSHIRE	-207	535,606	1,812,000	2,347,399
GREATER MANCHESTER	0	-2,001,017	10,356,800	8,355,783
HAMPSHIRE	0	1,172,680	2,586,400	3,759,080
HEREFORD & WORCESTERSHIRE	0	352,930	1,296,000	1,648,929
HERTFORDSHIRE	0	726,314	1,216,800	1,943,115
HUMBERSIDE	0	547,480	3,464,000	4,011,480
ISLE OF WIGHT	6,316	-127,884	233,600	112,032
ISLES OF SCILLY	-5,505	-8,829	-8,424	-22,758
KENT & MEDWAY	39	-95,663	2,034,400	1,938,775
LANCASHIRE	-710	787,000	4,473,600	5,259,890
LEICESTERSHIRE	-61,497	426,843	1,911,953	2,277,299
LINCOLNSHIRE	0	60,097	655,200	715,296
LFEP A	-340	795,571	26,252,598	27,047,829
MERSEYSIDE	384	2,725,606	10,984,800	13,710,789
NORFOLK	0	-536,800	1,000,800	464,000
NORTH YORKSHIRE	1,033	91,280	2,932,800	3,025,113
NORTHAMPTONSHIRE	0	76,899	879,302	956,201
NORTHUMBERLAND*	nr	nr	nr	nr
NOTTINGHAMSHIRE	-635	-819,675	2,572,000	1,751,690
OXFORDSHIRE	0	-485,855	1,234,400	748,545
ROYAL BERKSHIRE	741	792,197	959,200	1,752,137
SHROPSHIRE	72	26,629	535,200	561,901
SOUTH YORKSHIRE	0	1,009,456	8,528,868	9,538,324
STOKE & STAFFORDSHIRE	-1,000	277,172	4,176,000	4,452,172
SUFFOLK	7,289	-389,874	1,354,400	971,815
SURREY	-163,315	622,572	3,424,800	3,884,057
TYNE & WEAR	-480,875	-286,538	8,009,600	7,242,187
WARWICKSHIRE	322	-124,065	1,888,800	1,765,056
WEST MIDLANDS	0	371,323	12,088,000	12,459,323
WEST SUSSEX	-13	-56,331	1,298,400	1,242,056
WEST YORKSHIRE	0	2,736,941	9,659,200	12,396,139
WILTSHIRE	0	309,536	31,200	340,736
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>-1,135,787</b>	<b>20,428,714</b>	<b>155,292,871</b>	<b>174,585,798</b>

\*Forms not received