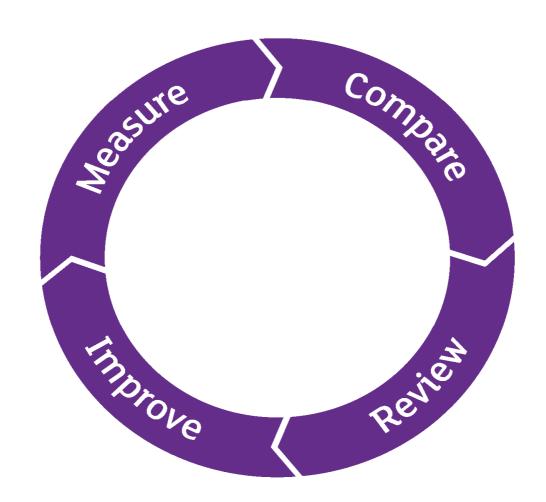


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# pensions administration benchmarking club

2015 - Wiltshire Final Report



#### **PREFACE**

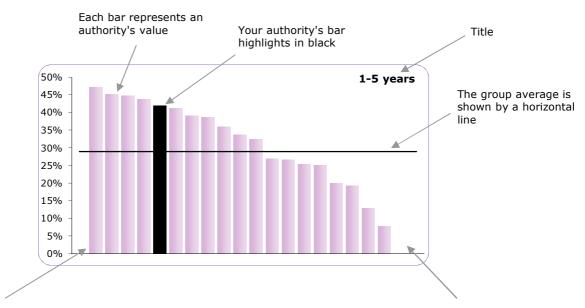
This report compares your data with the group of authorities specified on the title page.

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:

- · Joiners and leavers with a full analysis of the various types of retirements
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$  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)

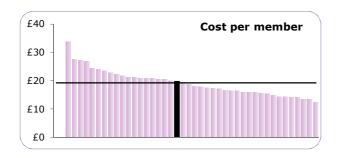
This shows members' costs and averages compared for in-house and externally managed pension schemes.

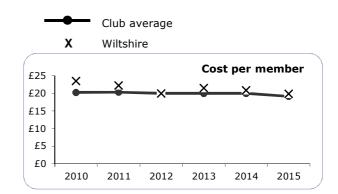
#### Section 7 -Timeseries (final report only)

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.

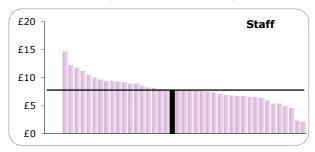
# SECTION 1 - SUMMARY 2014/15

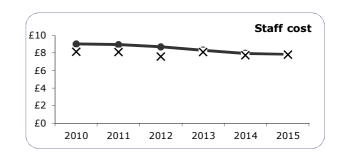
#### **NET COST / MEMBER 2014/15**



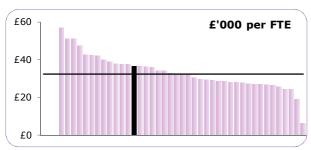


#### STAFF COST / MEMBER 2014/15

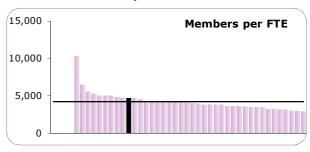




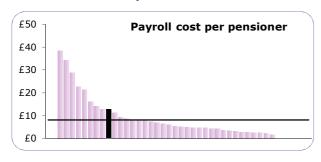
#### COST £'000 / FTE



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



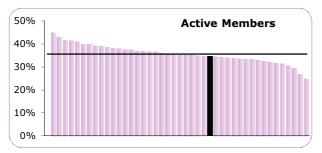
#### **PAYROLL COST / PENSIONER**



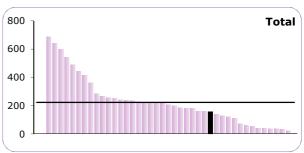
#### **PENSIONERS AS A % MEMBERS**



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



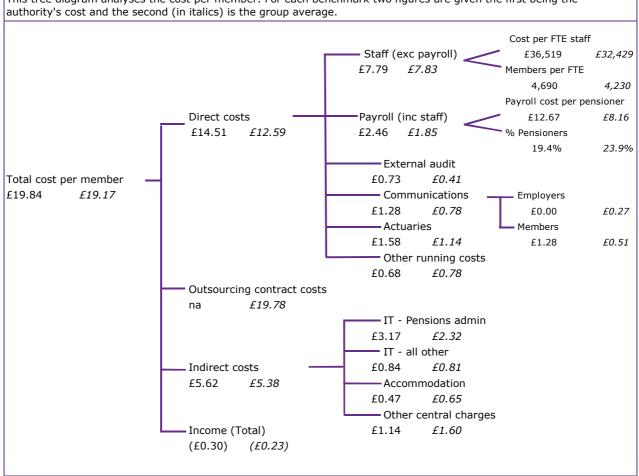
#### **NUMBER OF LGPS EMPLOYERS**



#### **SECTION 2 - COST MEASURES**

#### **COST/MEMBER TREE 2014/15**

This tree diagram analyses the cost per member. For each benchmark two figures are given the first being the



FTE staff	
Pension Section total	22.6
less	
IT staff	3.0
Payroll staff	-
Communications staff	2.0
Employing authority work	-
Work for other schemes	0.5
Other work	3.6
Admin of LGPS	13.5

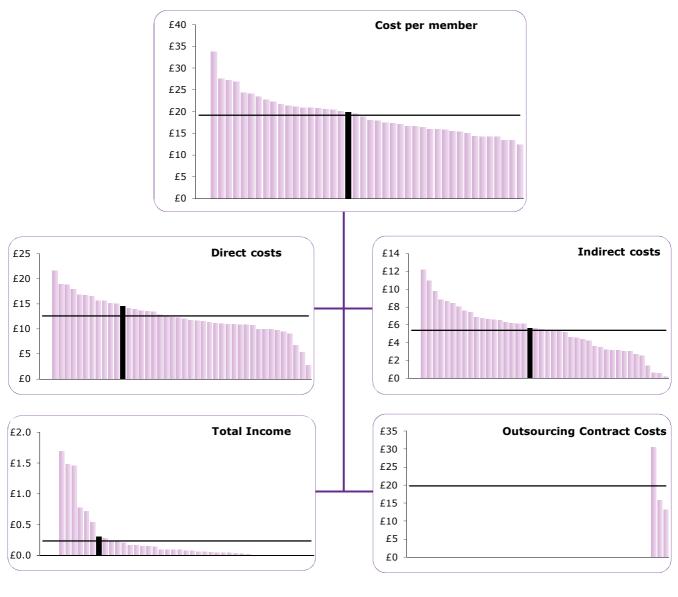
Net Costs £'000	
	£'000
Pension Section total	1,472
less	
Work for other schemes	12
Employing authority work	37
Other work	167
Admin of LGPS	1,256

Admin of LGPS costs		£ per	
	£'000		Avg
Staff - administration	493	7.79	7.83
Staff - payroll	-	-	0.36
Payroll	156	2.46	1.49
Communications (Total)	81	1.28	0.78
Actuaries	100	1.58	1.14
External audit	46	0.73	0.41
Other running costs	43	0.68	0.78
Total Direct Costs	919	14.51	12.59
Outsourcing costs	-	na	19.78
IT - Pensions admin	201	3.17	2.32
IT - All other	53	0.84	0.81
Accommodation	30	0.47	0.65
Other central charges	72	1.14	1.60
Total Indirect Costs	356	5.62	5.38
Gross Cost	1,275	20.14	19.39
Income - Members	-	-	(0.06)
Income - Employers	-	-	(0.11)
Income - Other	(19)	(0.30)	(0.06)
Total Income	(19)	(0.30)	(0.23)
Net Cost	1,256	19.84	19.17

Total Scheme Membership 63,319
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<sup>\*</sup>Outsourcing Contract Costs average only includes those members who have outsourcing costs.

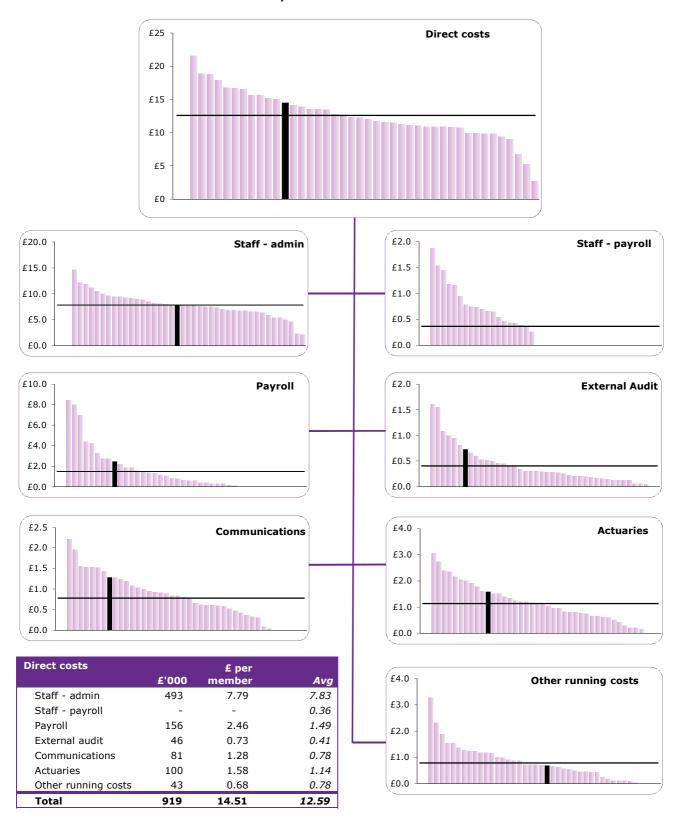
# **COST PER MEMBER 2014-15**



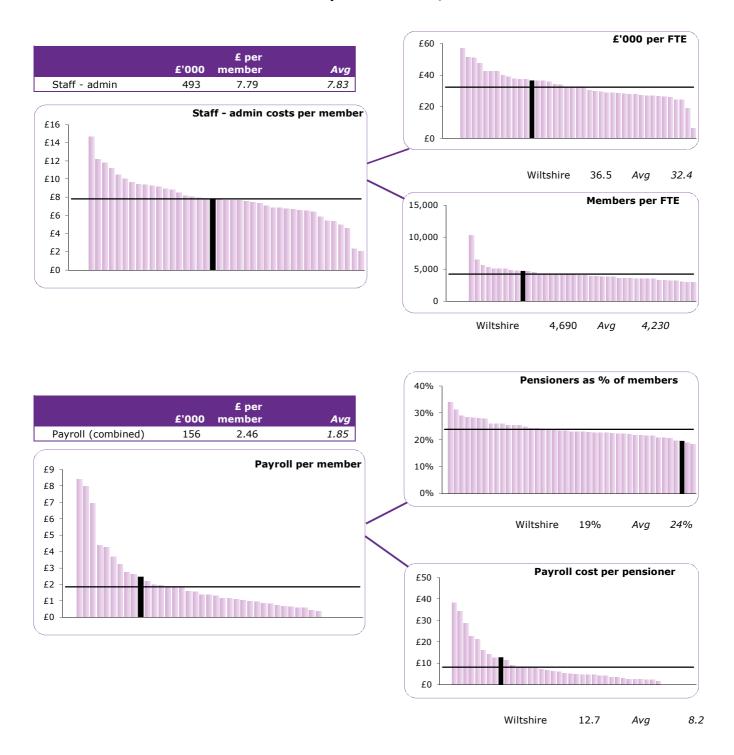
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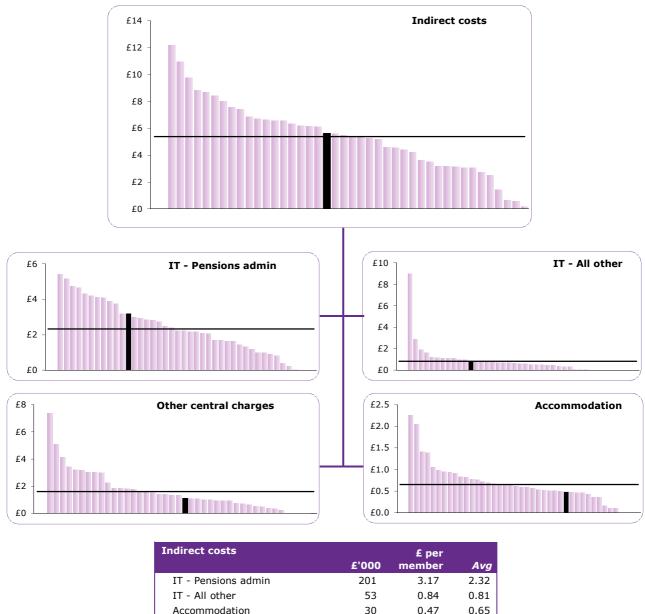
#### **COSTS PER MEMBER - Direct costs 2014/15**



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

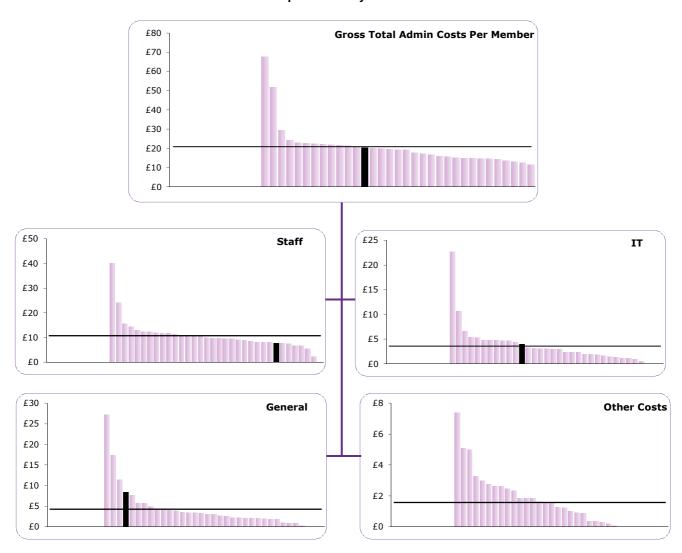


#### **COSTS PER MEMBER - Indirect costs 2014/15**



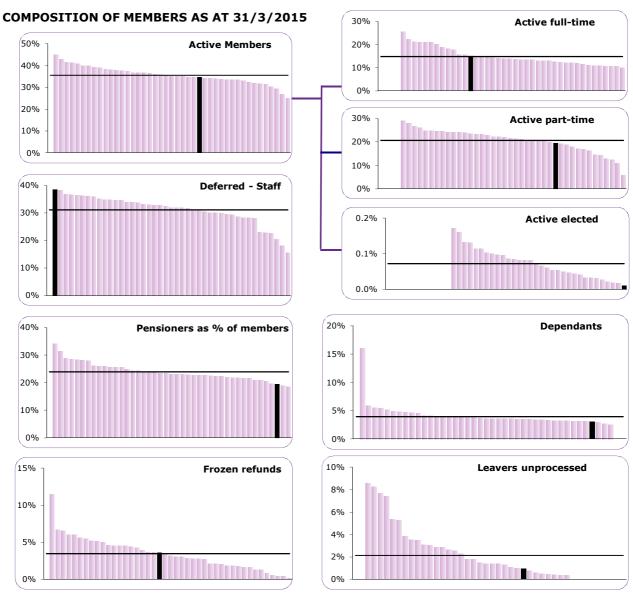
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Total	356	5.62	5.38

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



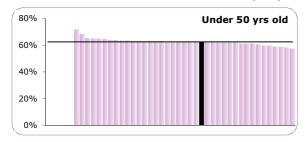
LGPS Administration Expenses		£ per	
	£'000	member	Avg
Staff Costs	493	7.79	10.71
IT Costs	254	4.01	3.59
General Costs	528	8.34	4.25
Other Costs	-	=	1.57
Gross LGPS Admin Exp.	1,275	20.14	20.84
Gross LGPS Income	19	0.30	0.44
Net LGPS Admin Exp.	1,256	19.84	23.87

#### **SECTION 3 - WORKLOAD MEASURES**



Composition of members				
	No.	%	Avg	Avg %
Active:				
- full-time	9,467	15%	15,569	14.8%
- part-time	12,353	20%	17,862	20.7%
- no. of elected Members	6	0.01%	52	0.07%
- sub-total	21,826	34%	33,067	35.5%
Deferred:				
- Staff	24,413	39%	27,618	31.1%
- Elected Members	4	0.0%	21	0.0%
Pensioners	12,315	19%	22,128	23.9%
Dependants	1,917	3.0%	3,629	3.9%
Frozen refunds	2,253	3.6%	2,848	3.4%
Leavers unprocessed	591	0.9%	1,805	2.19
Total	63,319		91,115	

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



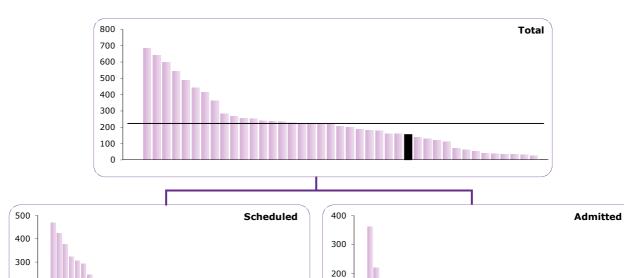


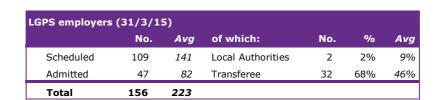
Composition of active members					
	No.	%	Avg		
Under 50 yrs old	13,568	62%	62%		
50 yrs old and over	8,258	38%	38%		

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

200

100

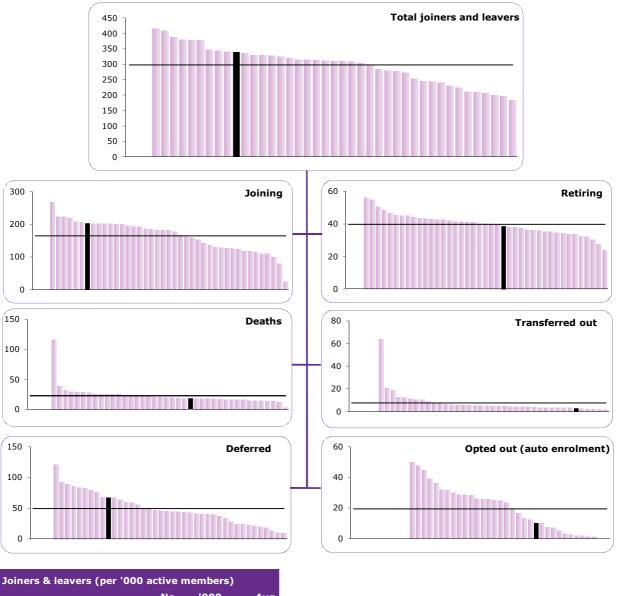




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Employer changes	s <b>2014</b> /1	15				
	Appli	ed	Admitted		Leaving	
	No.	Avg	No.	Avg	No.	Avg
Scheduled	9	17	9	20	1	3
Admitted	6	9	6	9	-	4

**JOINERS & LEAVERS (per '000 active members)** 

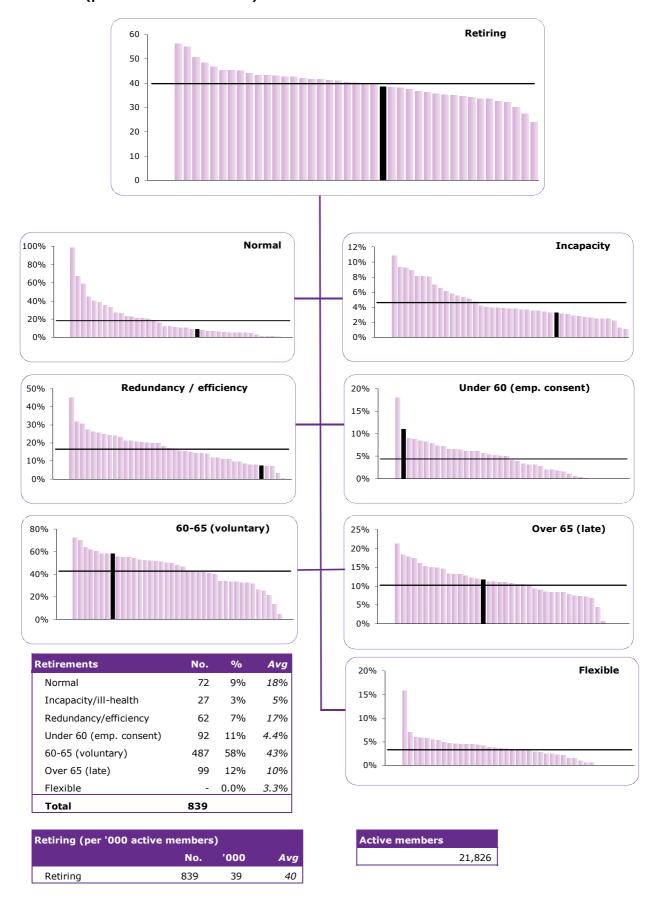


Joiners & leavers (per '000 active members)						
	No.	'000	Avg			
Joining	4,423	203	164			
Retiring	842	39	40			
Deaths	395	18	23			
Transferred out	61	3	8			
Deferred	1,467	67	50			
Opted out	219	10	19			
Total	7,407	339	298			

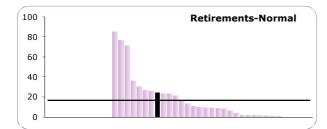
#### LGPS members as % eligible employees

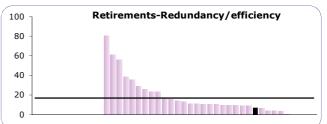


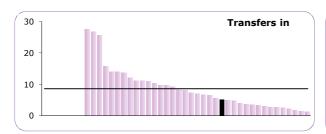
#### **RETIRING (per '000 active members)**

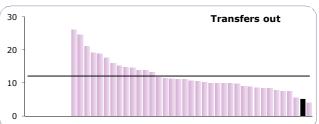


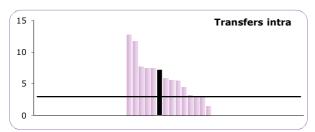
#### NUMBER OF QUOTATIONS PROVIDED (per '000 active members)

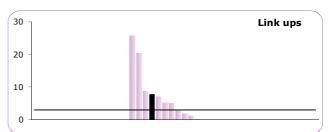


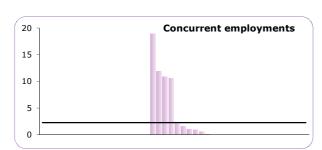


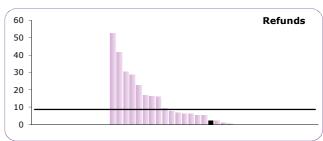




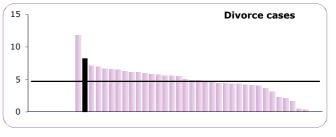






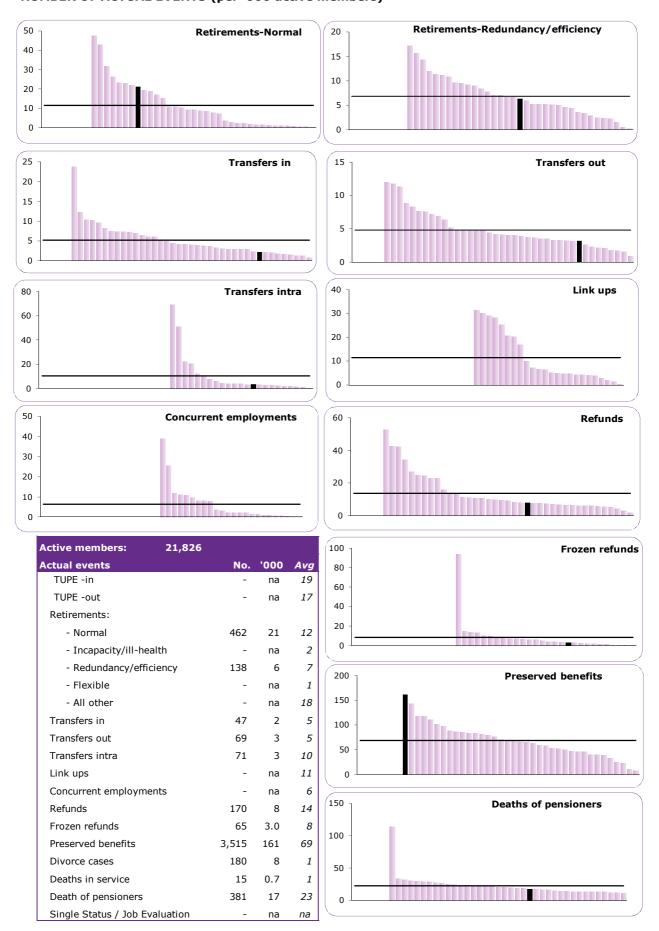


Active members: 21,826			
Quotations provided	No.	'000	Avg
TUPE -in	-	-	0
TUPE -out	-	-	0
Retirements:			
- Normal	529	24	17
- Incapacity/ill-health	-	-	2
- Redundancy/efficiency	151	7	17
- Flexible	-	-	1
- All other	-	-	22
Transfers in	110	5	9
Transfers out	111	5	12
Transfers intra	157	7	3
Link ups	169	8	3
Concurrent employments	-	-	2
Refunds	45	2	9
Divorce cases	179	8	5
Deaths in service	-	-	0
Deaths of pensioners	_	_	4

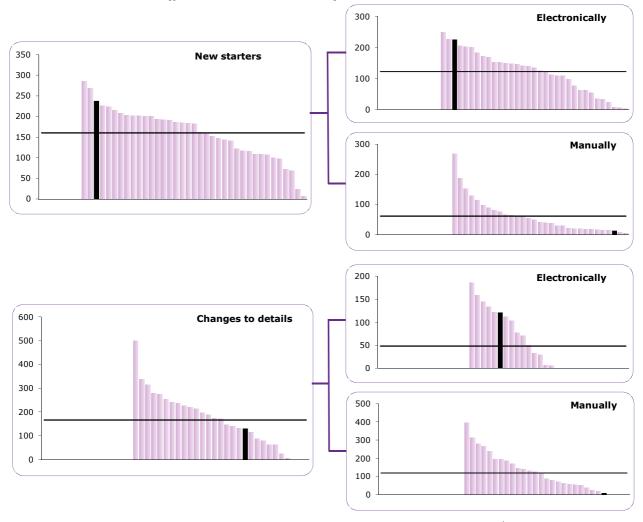


No of bulk transfers	No.	'000	Avg
TUPE -in	-	-	5
TUPE -out	_	_	4

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

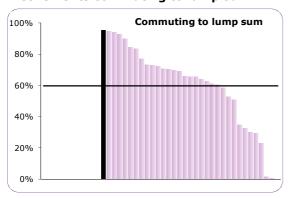


#### **ACTUAL CALCULATIONS (per '000 active members)**



#### **RETIREMENTS**

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



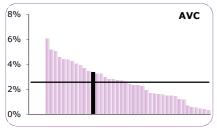
Retirements commuting lump sum					
N	umber	% total	Avg		
	801	95%	60%		

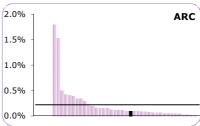
# Active members 21,826

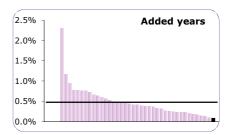
Actual calculations			
	No.	'000	Avg
New starters	5,184	238	160
- electronically	4,904	225	122
- manually	280	13	61
Changes to details	2,837	130	166
- electronically	2,639	121	48
- manually	198	9	119

#### AVCs, ARCs and Added years

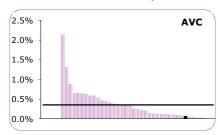
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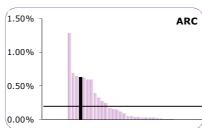


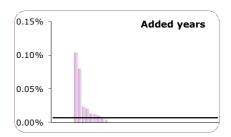




#### % New contributors this year



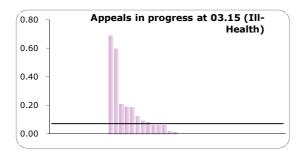


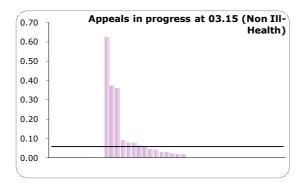


Contributors to AVCs and ARCS			
	No.	%	Avg
Currently contributing			
- AVC	737	3.38%	2.57%
- ARC	21	0.10%	0.22%
- Added years	20	0.09%	0.48%
Total	778	3.56%	2.97%
New contributors this year			
- AVC	15	0.07%	0.36%
- ARC	138	0.63%	0.20%
- Added years	-	0.00%	0.01%
Total	153	0.70%	0.49%

Active members				
	21.826			

#### **APPEALS**



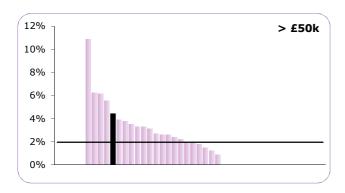


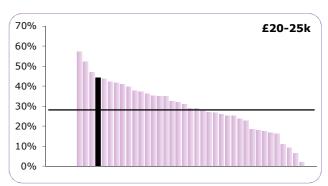
\*Club total: This shows the total for all the Benchmarking Club members 2015

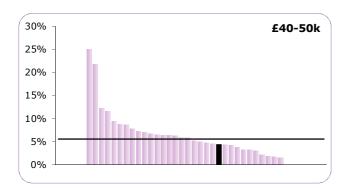
Number of appeals	No.	Per '000	Avg	Club*
		members		total
Ill-Health				
In progress at start of year	0	0.00	0.04	22
In progress at end of year	0	0.00	0.07	30
Non Ill-Health				
In progress at start of year	1	0.05	0.03	29
In progress at end of year	0	0.00	0.06	37
1st Stage				
Appeals in Progress - 03.14	1	0.05	0.04	25
New Appeals in Year	2	0.09	0.12	104
Appeals Withdrawn	0	0.00	0.00	3
Appeals Upheld	3	0.14	0.04	26
Appeals Not Upheld	0	0.00	0.06	68
Appeals in Progress - 03.15	0	0.00	0.05	33
2nd Stage				
Appeals in Progress - 03.14	0	0.00	0.01	14
New Appeals in Year	0	0.00	0.00	30
Appeals Withdrawn	0	0.00	0.00	-
Appeals Upheld	0	0.00	0.01	8
Appeals Not Upheld	0	0.00	0.02	34
Appeals in Progress - 03.15	0	0.00	0.01	(1)
Ombudsman Referrals				
Appeals in Progress - 03.14	0	0.00	0.01	8
New Appeals in Year	0	0.00	0.01	10
Appeals Withdrawn	0	0.00	0.00	-
Appeals Upheld	0	0.00	0.00	1
Appeals Not Upheld	0	0.00	0.01	10
Appeals in Progress - 03.15	0	0.00	0.00	6

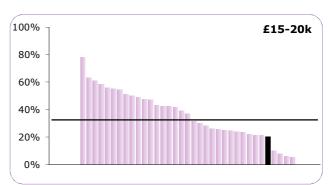
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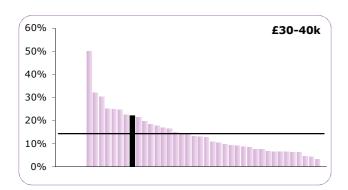
### **STAFF PAY**

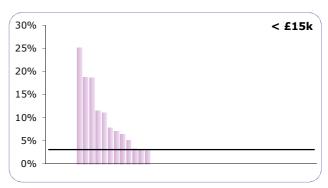


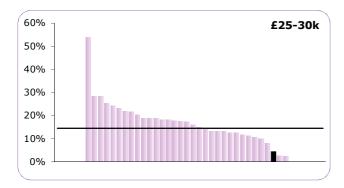






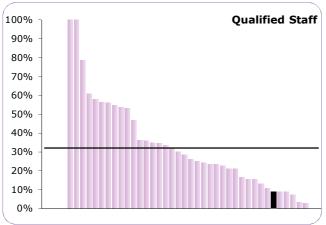


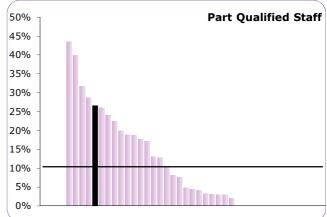




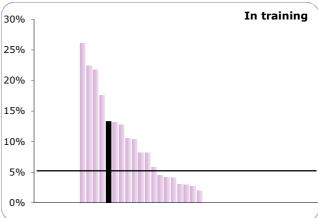
Staff pay			
	FTE	%	Avg
> £50k	1.0	4%	2%
£40-50k	1.0	4%	6%
£30-40k	5.0	22%	14%
£25-30k	1.0	4%	14%
£20-25k	10.0	44%	28%
£15-20k	4.6	20%	33%
< £15k	0.0	0%	3%
Total	22.6		

# **STAFF QUALIFICATIONS**



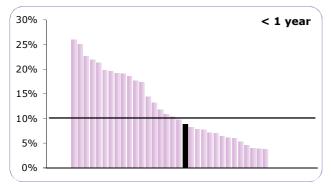


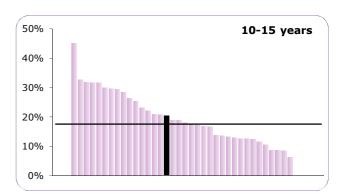


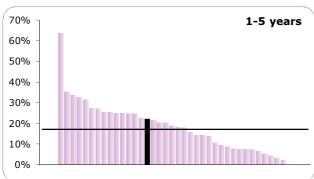


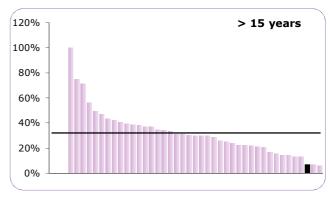
Staff qualifications			
	FTE	%	Avg
Qualified Staff	2.0	9%	32%
Part Qualified Staff	6.0	27%	10%
No Relevant Qualifications	14.6	65%	58%
Total	22.6		
Number in Training	3.0	13%	5%

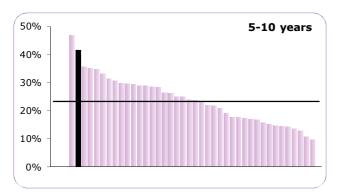
#### **STAFF PENSIONS EXPERIENCE**







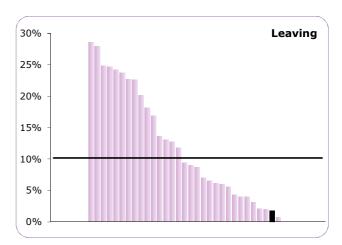




Staff experience			
	FTE	%	Avg
< 1 year	2.0	9%	10%
1-5 years	5.0	22%	17%
5-10 years	9.4	42%	23%
10-15 years	4.6	20%	18%
> 15 years	1.6	7%	32%
Total	22.6		

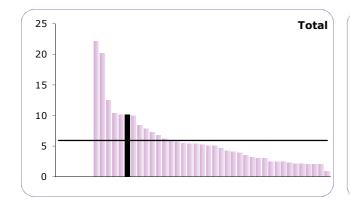
#### **STAFF TURNOVER**

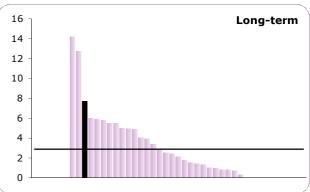




Staff Turnover	FTE	% change	Avg
Staff at 1/4/2013	21.0		
+ Staff joining Pension section	2.0	8.8%	10.8%
- Staff leaving Pension section	0.4	1.8%	10.2%
Staff at 31/3/2014	22.6	7.6%	0.9%

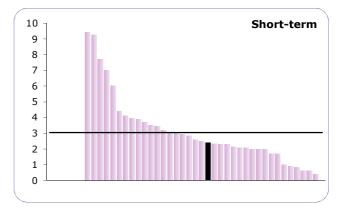
#### **SICKNESS ABSENCE**



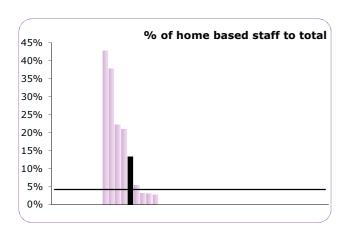


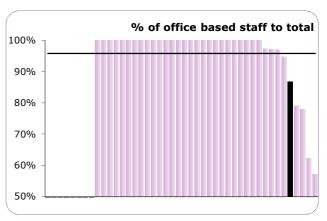
Sickness absence	Days/FTE	Avg
Long-term sickness	7.7	2.9
Short-term sickness	2.4	3.1
Total	10.1	5.9

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



#### **STAFF LOCATION**



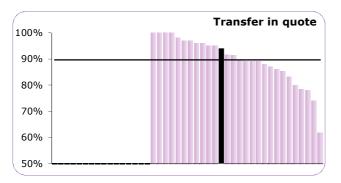


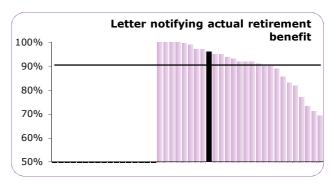
Staff location	FTE	% Avg	6 to total FTE	Avg
Home based	3.0	0.9	13%	4%
Office based	19.6	32.5	87%	96%
Total	22.6			

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

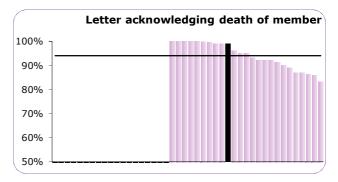
Home Based: Staff members who spend 50% of their contracted time working from home.

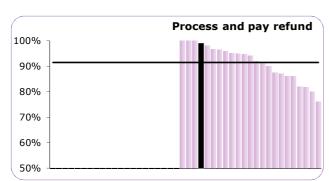
# **SECTION 5 - INDUSTRY STANDARD PI's**

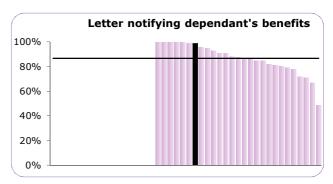


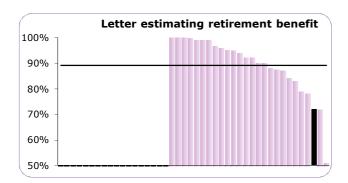


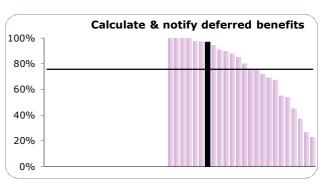












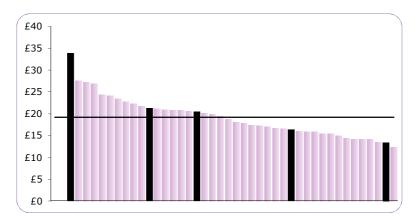
Industry Standard PI's	Target	Achieved	Avg
Letter detailing transfer in quote	10 days	94.0%	89.6%
Letter detailing transfer out quote	10 days	100.0%	88.3%
Process and pay refund	5 days	99.0%	91.5%
Letter notifying <b>estimate</b> of retirement benefit	10 days	72.0%	89.2%
Letter notifying <b>actual</b> retirement benefit	5 days	96.0%	90.5%
Process and pay lump sum retirement grant	5 days	98.0%	92.2%
Letter acknowledging death of member	5 days	99.0%	94.1%
Letter notifying amount of dependant's benefits	5 days	99.0%	86.7%
Calculate and notify deferred benefits	10 days	97.0%	75.8%

# **SECTION 6 - COMPARISON BY METHOD OF SERVICE DELIVERY**

#### COMPARISON OF OUTSOURCED/IN-HOUSE MEMBERS

Total members with data:	45
Outsourced members:	5

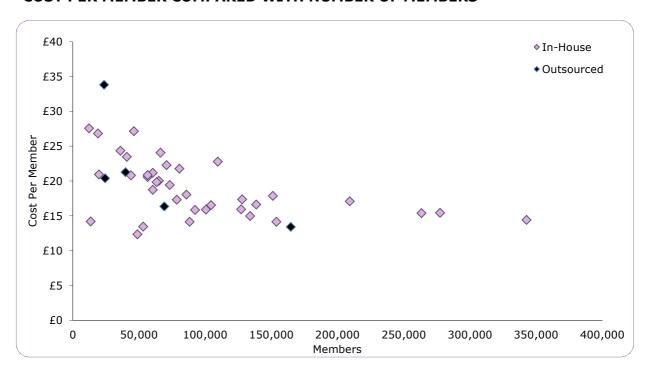
#### LGPS ADMIN COST PER MEMBER (INCLUDING PAYROLL)



Black bars show outsourced members

			Cost per
	Cost	Members	Member
Wiltshire	£1,256	63,319	£19.84
Club average	£1,592	91,074	£19.17
Outsourced average	£1,098	64,384	£21.06
In-house average	£1,657	94,586	£18.91

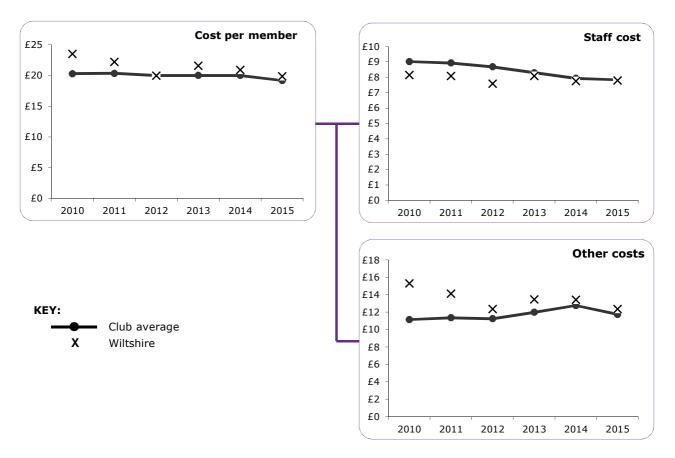
#### **COST PER MEMBER COMPARED WITH NUMBER OF MEMBERS**



# **SECTION 7 - TIMESERIES**

The 2014 averages are the actual club averages.

For previous years, the averages shown here are scaled up or down from the 2014 figure based on the average rate of change in each year. This is calculated using data from members who supplied figures in consecutive years, otherwise the simple average in each year would be distorted by changes in the composition of the club from year to year.



Time series analysi	is					
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Members	49,597	51,751	54,122	56,585	60,212	63,319
Net cost (£'000)	1,164k	1,149k	1,079k	1,219k	1,256k	1,256k
Cost per member	£23.47	£22.20	£19.94	£21.54	£20.86	£19.84
Average	£20.26	£20.33	£19.96	£19.97	£19.98	£19.17
Staff cost	£8.15	£8.08	£7.58	£8.08	£7.74	£7.79
Average	£9.02	£8.94	£8.68	£8.30	£7.93	£7.83
Other costs	£15.32	£14.12	£12.36	£13.47	£13.42	£12.35
Average	£11.14	£11.36	£11.25	£11.98	£12.76	£11.75

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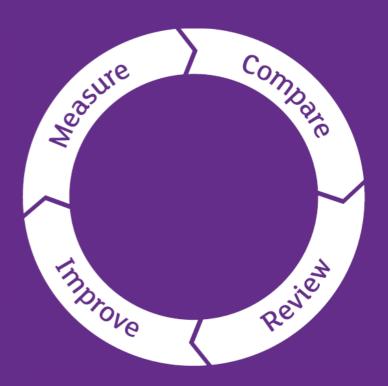
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