

**TYNE AND WEAR FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY**

**MEETING: 17<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2012**

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**SUBJECT: CORRESPONDENCE LIST FOR INFORMATION**

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The following items of correspondence have been received since the last meeting of the Authority, and are not subject to a separate report. Copies are available from the Chief Fire Officer on request:

i) FRSB 22/2012

This Bulletin contains:

Firefighter's Pension Schemes: Consultation on proposed increases to employee contribution rates from 1st April 2013;

Amendments to the new Firefighter's Pension Scheme: Departmental response to the consultation;

Update on funding arrangements for localizing support for council tax;

Policy statement on business rates retention;

Publication of operational guidance and generic risk assessments.

ii) NFPS1/12

This Bulletin contains:

Members of the New Firefighters Pension Scheme (NFPS) can elect to purchase additional service under the scheme. The purpose of this note is to set out, for scheme administrators, the tables of factors referred to in the following rules:

•Rule 5 of Part 11 of Schedule 1 to the Firefighters' Pension Scheme (England) Order 2006 (SI 2006 No. 3432)

•Rule 5 of Part 11 of Schedule 1 to the Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Scotland) Order 2007 (SSI 2007 No. 199)

•Rule 5 of Part 11 of Schedule 1 to the Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Wales) Order 2007 (SI 2007 No. 1072/ W110)

- Article 65 of the Annex to the New Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Northern Ireland) Order 2007 (SR 2007 No. 215)