**Pension age changes**

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You could be protected from this increase if you joined the LGPS before 4 November 2021. You could also be protected if you transferred a previous pension into the LGPS if certain conditions are met. You will only be able to use this protection when you take your LGPS pension if the LGPS rules allow you to take your pension before age 57.

The Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) makes the LGPS rules. It has not yet confirmed if it will allow members who qualify for protection to take their LGPS pension before age 57 from 6 April 2028 onwards.

We will update this website when DLUHC changes the Scheme rules to reflect the increase in the normal minimum pension age.