
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2000 No. 177

**Local Government Pension Scheme
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000**

Part J

Decisions and Appeals

Notice of a decision

J7.—(1) Subject to paragraph (3), a decision on the matters raised by an application under regulation J6 shall be issued by the appointed person to the complainant or where applicable, his representative by notice in writing within two months from the date on which the particulars specified in regulation J6(5) were received.

(2) The notice shall include—

- (a) a statement of the decision;
- (b) a reference to any legislation relied upon;
- (c) a reference to such parts of these regulations relied upon and, where a discretion has been exercised, a reference to such parts of these regulations by which such discretion is conferred;
- (d) a reference to the right of the complainant to refer the disagreement for reconsideration by the Committee within the time limit described in regulation J8(1); and
- (e) a statement that OPAS (the Pensions Advisory Service)⁽¹⁾ is available to assist members and beneficiaries of the Scheme in connection with any difficulty with the Scheme which remains unresolved and the address at which OPAS may be contacted.

(3) If, in any case, written notice of a decision under this regulation is not issued within two months from the date on which particulars of the disagreement were received, an interim reply must immediately be sent to the complainant or, where applicable, his representative, setting out the reasons for the delay and an expected date for issuing the decision.

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