EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note does not form part of these Regulations)

These Regulations affect the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 1997 ("the principal Regulations") which comprise the Local Government Pension Scheme ("the Scheme").

The Regulations make a number of amendments to the principal Regulations. Most of the amendments are to enable certain employees and office holders of the Greater London Authority and other bodies established by the Greater London Authority Act 1999 to be members of the Scheme.

Regulation 3(a) makes a minor drafting amendment to a provision in the principal Regulations dealing with resolution bodies. This has effect from 1st April 1999.

Regulation 3(b) lists additional bodies as resolution bodies. This regulation has effect from 1st April 2000.

Regulation 4 provides for certain persons who are appointed by the Secretary of State under the Greater London Authority Act 1999 to be members of the Scheme while that employment lasts. This regulation has effect from 7th February 2000.

Regulation 5 provides for certain persons whose employment is transferred to the Secretary of State under the Greater London Authority Act 1999 to be members of the Scheme while that employment lasts. This regulation has effect from 1st April 2000.

Regulation 6 adds the Mayor of London, members of the London Assembly and the Chairman of the London Transport Users' Committee to the list of office holders in regulation 131 of the principal Regulations who are eligible to be members of the Scheme. This regulation has effect from 1st April 2000.

Regulation 7 makes special provision for school crossing patrol staff who transfer from the Metropolitan Civil Staff Superannuation Scheme to the Scheme on 1st April 2000 as a consequence of the transfer of their employment on that date from the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis to a local authority. This regulation has effect from 1st April 2000.

Regulation 8 makes amendments consequential on the renaming of the London Fire and Civil Defence Authority as the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority. This comes into force on 3rd July 2000.

Regulation 9 makes amendments to Schedule 5 to the principal Regulations which specifies appropriate funds for members. Certain amendments affect educational establishments and are made as a consequence of the Schools Standards and Framework Act 1998. The other amendments, which have effect from 1st April 2000, make provision for persons who are members of the Scheme as a consequence of their employment by the Greater London Authority or other bodies established under the Greater London Authority Act 1999.

Regulation 10 amends regulation 125 of the principal Regulations dealing with inter fund transfers in the case of transfers by reason of transfers of employment pursuant to the Greater London Authority Act 1999. This regulation has effect from 7th February 2000.

Section 12 of the Superannuation Act 1972 provides that regulations made under section 7 of that Act may have retrospective effect.