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This report compares your pension administration costs and member service with a peer group of other schemes.

Peer group for West Yorkshire¹

			# of m	embers			
#	Scheme	Active	Deferred	Pensioners	Total	% active	Administration model
1	BT Pension Scheme	0	60,123	208,855	268,978	0%	In-house
2	Greater Manchester Pension Fund	117,823	147,338	139,771	404,932	29%	In-house
3	Lothian Pension Fund	36,093	20,270	35,828	92,191	39%	In-house
4	LPP (Local Pensions Partnership) ²	190,210	239,033	210,486	639,729	30%	In-house
5	Merseyside Pension Fund	46,740	42,553	55,254	144,547	32%	In-house
6	Royal Mail Pension Plan	71,732	19,519	48,414	139,665	51%	In-house
7	RPMI (Railway Pension Scheme) ²	101,668	108,751	147,160	357,579	28%	In-house
8	South Yorkshire Pension Fund	49,145	51,877	45,915	146,937	33%	In-house
9	SPPA (Scottish Public Pensions Agency)	269,608	85,412	203,648	558,668	48%	In-house
10	TPT	10,961	47,892	58,136	116,989	9%	In-house
11	Tyne and Wear Pension Fund	55,392	49,814	62,351	167,557	33%	In-house
12	USS (Universities Superannuation Scheme)	212,306	207,204	96,335	515,845	41%	In-house
13	West Midlands Pension Fund	112,431	114,897	111,263	338,591	33%	In-house
14	West Yorkshire Pension Fund	105,964	86,657	104,710	297,331	36%	In-house
	Average	98,577	91,524	109,152	299,253	32%	14 out of 14 in-house
	Median	86,700	72,768	100,523	283,155	33%	

Your peer group comprises 14 pension schemes between 92,191 and 639,729 members. The peer median was 283,155 members, compared with your own 297,331 members. The peer group has been selected based on the availability of data, scheme size and membership mix.

^{1.} Peer data is the most up-to-date available. In most instances it is for the year to March 2022 though some peers have different year ends. We have rolled forward data from prior years for some peers, increasing costs in line with National Average Earnings where no updated data was available and substituting current year membership data from publicly available documents.

^{2.} LPP and RPMI operate administration platforms serving multiple clients. We are benchmarking their operating costs rather than the fees they charge to their clients.

Your pension administration costs of £14.45 per member were £15.14 below the adjusted peer average of £29.59.



	<u>£ 000s</u>		<u>£ pe</u>	<u>er</u>	
	You You			You	You
	2022	2021	Peer avg	2022	2021
Project costs	0	0	4.54	0.00	0.00
Business-as-usual costs	4,297	4,349	25.05	14.45	15.12
Total administration costs	4,297	4,349	29.59	14.45	15.12

We include costs that are directly related to pension administration (e.g., staff costs or an outsourced provider's fee) plus attributions of IT, accommodation, HR, support services and professional fees.

The costs associated with investment operations, investment management and the governance of the scheme are specifically excluded.

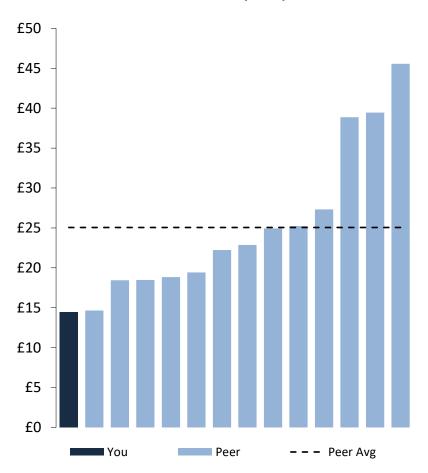
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^{1.}To make a fairer comparison we adjust (or 'normalise') business-as-usual peer costs to eliminate the effect of economies of scale. On average, peer costs have decreased by £1.49 per member. Before the adjustment the peer average cost was £31.07.

^{2.} Project costs are denoted by the lighter shading on the bars. These one-off costs are averaged over a maximum of 5 years.

Your Business-As-Usual (BAU) costs of £14.45 per member were £10.60 below the adjusted peer average of £25.05.





	<u>f</u>	per membe	<u>r</u>
	Adjusted ¹	You	You
	peer avg	2022	2021
Business-As-Usual (BAU) costs	25.05	14.45	15.12

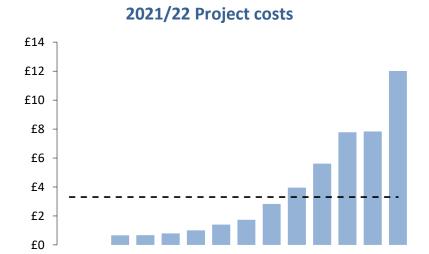
The following BAU tasks were included:

- Processing leavers, joiners, retirees, deaths, etc.
- Maintenance of the membership database
- Dealing with incoming and outgoing post, e-mails and phone calls
- Finance and accounting (excluding investment accounting)
- Mass communication including member statements, newsletters, websites, etc.
- Pensioner payroll
- Serving employers
- Collecting data and contributions.
- Communication strategy, print and design
- Business integrity: quality, risk management, technical support, etc.
- Internal oversight of any outsourcing contract.

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¹ To make a fairer comparison we adjust (or 'normalise') costs to eliminate the effect of economies of scale. On average, peer costs have decreased by £1.49 per member. Before the adjustment the peer average cost was £26.54.

Your 2021/22 project costs were £0.00 per member.



£30 £25 -£20 -£15 -£10 -£5 -£0

Peer

Peer Avg

You

Multi-year average project costs

	£ per r	member	
	You Peer A		
Single year 2021/2022	£0.00	£3.31	
Multi-year average	£0.00	£4.54	

You did not report any one-off costs in the year. What is included:

- One-off costs that were not capitalised, including fees paid to external administration providers for one-off projects or irregular work. These costs are averaged over as many years as possible based on the scheme's participation record, with a maximum of 5 years.
- The attribution of accommodation and HR costs based on FTEs dedicated to major projects in the current year, if any.
- Current year amortisation on capitalised costs.

Note that some schemes have submitted less than 5 years of data. Where this is the case the costs are averaged over the number of years where data has been available. Some schemes have reported no capital expenditure.

Some reasons why your costs were £15.14 below the adjusted peer average:

	Impact £ per	
Reason	member	Explanation
Headcount	-£4.85	You have 1 FTE for every 3,675 members, 32.0% less than the peer average of 1 FTE per 2,499 members.
Salaries and benefits	-£0.67	Your average remuneration ¹ was £35,888 per FTE. This was 4.5% less than the peer average of £37,567.
Accommodation	-£0.47	Your accommodation costs were £1,816 per FTE. This was 39.4% less than the peer average of £2,999³.
HR and Training	-£1.18	Your HR and Training costs were £192 per FTE. This was 93.9% less than the peer average of £3,150.
Spending less per member on IT	-£3.65	Your IT spend (exc. major projects) was £2.35 per member. The peer average was £6.00 ⁴ .
Third party fees and other direct costs ²	-£1.26	Your third party fees and other direct costs were £1.78 per member. The peer average was £3.05 ⁴ .
Total	-£12.09	Difference in cost before adjusting for economy of scale impact
Adjustment for scale	£1.49	You had a scale advantage
Difference in average project costs	-£4.54	Your multi-year average project costs were £0.00 per member. The peer average was £4.54.
Total	-£15.14	

^{1.} Average remuneration is the sum of your total salaries and the value of any overtime, benefits-in-kind, employer NI, etc. divided by the number of FTEs on your team.

^{2.} Third party fees and other direct costs includes, where relevant, fees paid to external providers for activities that are outsourced. In some schemes these outsourced activities can be material, e.g. outsourcing pension payroll can explain differences in other areas, e.g. headcount.

^{3.} Differences in the way funds account for accommodation will have an influence on relative costs, i.e., some funds will pay commercial rents whilst others will occupy premises they have owned for a long time that are fully depreciated.

^{4.} Differences in organisation structures will influence relative overheads, for example some funds may enjoy cost benefits of shared services supplied by a sponsor or another government agency.

You spend more on serving employers than peers and less on projects.

		Costs by function				unction
	You	u	Pee	r average	You	Peer average
Function	£ per member	% of total	£ per member	% of total	FTE per 10,000 members	FTE per 10,000 members
Contact centre (if you have one) ¹	£0.55	4%	£0.90	3%	0.13	0.24
Member transactions ¹	£6.42	44%	£7.76	25%	1.51	2.15
Pensioner payroll ³	£0.78	5%	£0.79	3%	0.18	0.20
Mail room / imaging	£0.55	4%	£0.65	2%	0.13	0.12
Communication (strategy, design, web, etc)	£0.51	4%	£1.31	4%	0.12	0.16
Scheme-wide processes	£0.53	4%	£1.31	4%	0.12	0.34
Serving employers	£0.96	7%	£0.80	3%	0.23	0.21
Finance and accounting	£0.72	5%	£1.55	5%	0.17	0.28
Technical, risk mgt, compliance, quality	£0.51	4%	£1.59	5%	0.12	0.25
Other	£0.00	0%	£0.91	3%	0.00	0.06
IT	£2.34	16%	£5.65	18%	0.09	0.40
Accommodation	£0.51	4%	£1.37	4%	0.00	0.03
HR	£0.05	0%	£0.94	3%	0.00	0.09
Other support services	£0.00	0%	£0.49	2%	0.00	0.06
Project costs	£0.00	0%	£4.54	15%	0.00	0.11
Total	£14.45		£30.58		2.81	4.69
Balancing amount ²			-£1.00			
Total	£14.45		£29.59	Members per FTE	3,675	2,499

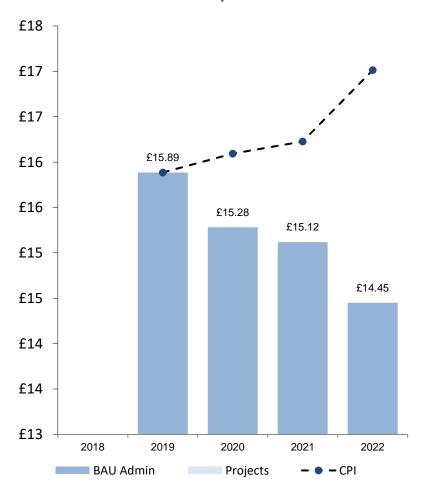
^{1.} Not all peers have a contact centre so care needs to be taken in interpreting the data in this area. Combining contact centre and member transactions may provide a better measure of relative spend and FTEs.

^{2.} The 'balancing' amount includes outsourced costs, scale adjustment (for peers), and the impact of peers that do not provide a functional cost breakdown.

^{3.} Your cost for pensioner payroll on a per pensioner basis was £2.22. The peer average was £2.30.

Your total administration cost per member fell by 4.4% in the last year.

Pension admin cost per member trend



Reasons for cost changes over 1 and 3 years

	1 Year (2021)	3 Years Avg. % change	(2019)
		£ per	per	£ per
Reason	% change	member	annum	member
Start		£15.12		£15.89
Headcount ¹	17.8%	£1.98	7.2%	£3.18
Average remuneration per FTE ²	-17.6%	-£2.15	-9.1%	-£3.87
Support costs per FTE ³	-33.5%	-£0.28	-17.3%	-£0.42
IT costs per member	-15.1%	-£0.43	25.5%	£1.24
Outsourced fees per member ³	62.7%	£0.71	-9.9%	-£0.67
Project costs per member	0.0%	£0.00	0.0%	£0.00
Membership ⁴	3.4%	-£0.49	2.0%	-£0.90
End (2022)	-4.4%	£14.45	-3.1%	£14.45

^{1.} Your headcount increased by 17.8% in the year from 69 to 81. Over 3 years it has increased by an average 7.2% per annum.

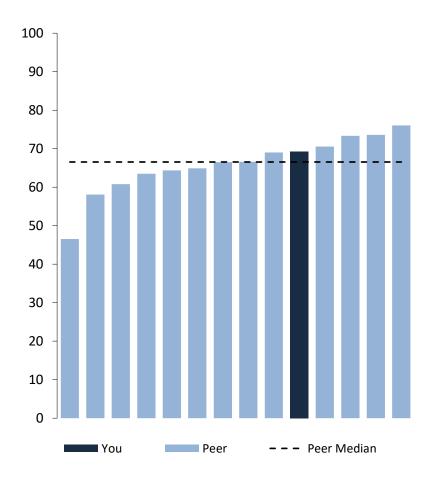
^{2.} Average remuneration fell by 17.6% in the year from £43,546 to £35,888. Over 3 years it has fallen by an average of 9.1% per annum. Average renumeration can change year over year because of inflationary increases, promotions and also because the makeup of your team changes over time.

^{3.} Includes accommodation, HR, etc.

^{4.} Your membership increased by 3.4% in the year from 287,644 to 297,331. Over 3 years it has increased by an average of 2.0% per annum.

Your total member service score was 69 out of 100. This was above the peer median of 67.

Total member service score¹



Looking at cost in isolation is unhelpful. Context is required, as is a means to measure value for money. CEM believes the right measure is member service, hence the service score.

Service is defined from a member's perspective. Higher service means more channels, faster turnaround times, more availability, more choice, better content and higher quality.

Higher service is not necessarily cost-effective. For example, the ability to answer the telephone 24 hours a day is higher service, but not cost

The total service score is equal to your service scores for active members, deferred members and pensioners, weighted by your membership mix. Your membership mix is also used to weight the total scores for your peers.

		2022	2021	1 year
	Weight	score	score ²	change
Active	36%	61	59	2
Deferred	29%	66	59	7
Pensioner	35%	80	78	2
Total	100%	69	66	3

^{1.} For peers with no active members we have added a default active member service score equal to your own active member service score.

^{2.} Historic service scores are restated to reflect your current membership mix and to eliminate the effects of changes to the methodology.

Service score by member type and activity







		You	Peer
Activity	Weight	2022	med
Pension Set Ups	10%	91	52
Benefit Statements	8%	69	57
Estimates	7%	25	95
Newsletters and Campaigns	4%	65	40
-			
Meeting members	9%	22	39
Telephone	14%	56	61
Digital	28%	63	66
SLA	7%	89	84
DC and AVCs	5%	37	57
Feedback	4%	68	68
Vulnerable members	4%	88	78
Deductions			
Complaints (up to 6 pts)	n/a	0	0
Data Breaches (up to 20 pts)	n/a	0	0
Weighted total	100%	61	59

		You	Peer
Activity	Weight	2022	med
Pension Set Ups	10%	96	66
Benefit Statements	4%	68	58
Estimates	8%	45	100
Newsletters and Campaigns	4%	59	59
Tracing Members	15%	88	91
Meeting members	2%	0	12
Telephone	14%	56	62
Digital	22%	60	72
SLA	7%	65	68
DC and AVCs	4%	27	56
Feedback	4%	100	66
Vulnerable members	6%	88	78
Deductions			
Complaints (up to 6 pts)	n/a	0	0
Data Breaches (up to 20 pts)	n/a	0	0
Weighted total	100%	66	63

		You	Peer
Activity	Weight	2022	med
Pension Increases	20%	100	100
P60s	10%	100	100
-			
Newsletters and Campaigns	4%	84	52
-			
Meeting members	2%	11	0
Telephone	15%	52	58
Digital	28%	74	77
SLA	7%	88	87
-			
Feedback	4%	100	40
Vulnerable members	10%	82	73
Deductions			
Complaints (up to 6 pts)	n/a	0	0
Data Breaches (up to 20 pts)	n/a	0	0
Missed Payments (up to 65 pts)	n/a	0	0
Weighted total	100%	80	77

^{1.} The weighted total service score for peers is the median amongst the peer group, not the sum of the peer medians by activity x the weight.

^{2.} The service score is not designed to be comparable across the member categories, i.e., if active members score higher than deferreds, it does not mean that active members enjoy a higher level of service per se.

Key outliers influencing your total member service score relative to peers

Higher than peers

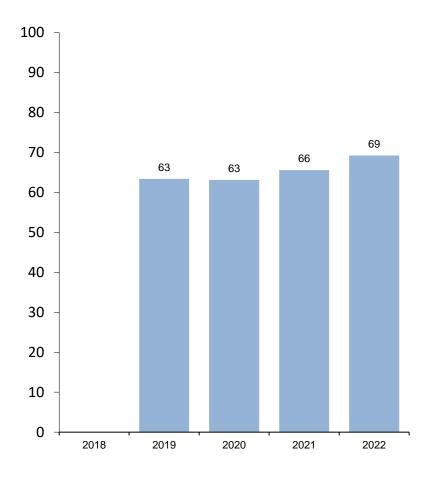
- 97.8% of your retiring active member pension set-ups were paid without an interruption in cashflow greater than 1 month, versus a peer median of 60.0%.
- 83.7% of your pension commencement lump sums were paid within 1 week of retirement for retiring active members. (92.3% amongst retiring deferred members). The peer median was 36.0% (68.0% for deferred).
- Your website has enhanced features to service your vulnerable members compared to most peers. Specifically screen magnifiers, screen readers and the ability to change screen colour.
- You do more surveying of your members both for single activity and customer effort than your peers. For example, only 36% of peers survey effort for telephone calls.
- You ran more types of campaigns than your peers. For example, you launched campaigns this year to obtain updated contact information and beneficiary information for actives and pensioners. Less than half your peers did.

Lower than peers

- You do not have an on-line estimates calculator for active and deferred members, although this is due to be available imminently.
 70% of peers have a calculator linked to member data for active members, with a further 15% linked to a generic calculator. No peers provide a generic calculator for deferred members, although 79% of peers have a calculator linked to member data for deferred members.
- You did not meet one-on-one with your active members. 62% of your peers did, with virtual meetings being the most common form.
 However, you are only 1 of 5 peers that met one-on-one with pensioner members.
- You have less online functionality for your DC/AVC component than most of your peers, for example:
 - view current market value (peers: 86%)
 - summary of account activity for any time period (peers:79%)
 - switch balances between investment options (peers: 86%).
- Many of your peers offer high value functionality in their secure site:
 - apply for retirement (peers: 69%)
 - change banking information (peers: 77%)
 - secure mailbox pensioners (peers: 54%).
- You have fewer flags to identify vulnerable members than most of your peers such as speech impairment, reading or writing impairment, english as a second language.

Trend analysis - your total member service score increased by 3 points in the year.

Total service score trend



Changes that had a positive impact this year

- You significantly improved the timeliness of setting up new pensions for actives (2022: 97.8%, 2021: 73.6%) and lump sum payments (2022: 83.7%, 2021: 53.0%)
- You have greater utilisation of your secure site. 6.7% more active members and 7.7% more pensioner members accessed your site compared to peers.
- This year you provided the number of retiring deferred members that you were unable to locate at 0.1%, previously it was unknown.

Changes that had a negative impact this year

- You previously had an on-line calculator for deferred members that is no longer available.
- You had less attendees at your webinars (2022: 0.37%, 2021: 1.91%).
- Your telephone abandonment rate increased due to increased call volume and queuing times (2022: 15%, 2021: 0.5%).

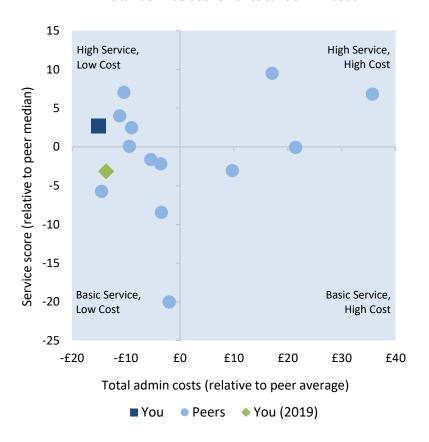
Longer term changes

- There has been a continual increase in your engagement with pensioner members, with your score for newsletters and campaigns steadily increasing over the last few years, which is complemented by the step change this year in the proportion of members using your secure website.
- Your telephone pre-connection service declined due to Covid and the subsequent changes that have been made to compensate are yet to show the expected positive impact, which is more likely to be evident in the 2023 report.

Historic service scores are restated to reflect your current membership mix and to eliminate the effects of changes to the methodology.

You were positioned as high member service, low cost on the CEM administration cost effectiveness graph.

Total service score vs. total admin cost¹



If you pay more for pension administration, do you get more? We answer this question by positioning each peer on our signature 'cost effectiveness graph'.

Your positioning on the graph is based on:

- Your total administration cost of £14.45 was £15.14 lower than the adjusted peer average of £29.59.
- Your total service score of 69 was 2 points higher than the peer median of 67.

Your operational strategy should focus on delivering services that are appropriate for your members within a budget that is right for your scheme. There is therefore no right answer about where you should be positioned in the graph on this page.

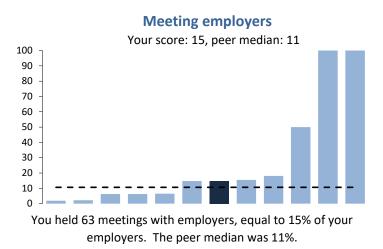
Having said this, our research suggests a low correlation between cost and service (according to the CEM scale). It should therefore be possible to increase your service score without a corresponding increase in costs.

We suggest that schemes focus on service improvements that can be implemented cost effectively. We also suggest benchmarking regularly as a means to monitor progress over time.

^{1.} Including projects and BAU costs.

Employer service dashboard

Your administration team serves two groups of 'clients' – members and employers. You serve 423 employers. On average, peers serve 621 (range 66 to 2,269). 78% of your employers are small (<100 active members). On average, 81% of employers are small amongst your peers. There is no single overarching score for employer service as we believe that different employers have different needs. Here is how you compare in some areas where comparisons make sense though:





SLAs - relating to how

You had targets for a wider range of employer specific tasks.

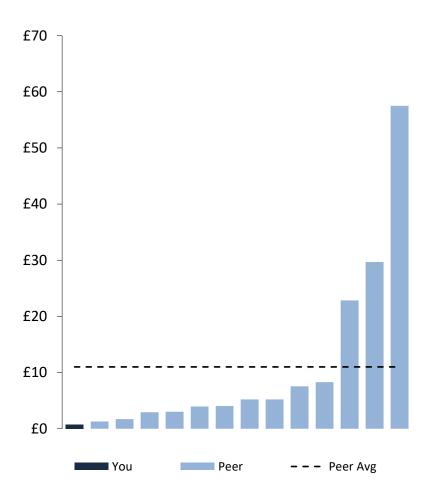




Not every peer answers every question. Corporate schemes in particular are not included. The median is the median amongst those schemes that were able to answer the relevant questions.

Your governance costs of £0.77 per member were £10.24 below the peer average of £11.01.

Governance costs per member



Governance costs relate to the oversight and strategic management of the scheme. It includes the costs of the Board, the executive team (except the head of administration and the head of investments) and professional adviser fees.

Components of governance cost

	<u>£ 000s</u>			<u>£ per member</u>		
	Peer	You	You	Peer	You	You
	Avg			Avg		
		2022	2021		2022	2021
Board/Trustee fees and expenses	206	0	0	0.78	0.00	0.00
CEO, secretariat, strategy, policy ¹	1,147	11	13	4.25	0.04	0.05
Legal	406	9	24	1.49	0.03	0.08
Actuarial valuation ²	523	8	0	2.06	0.03	0.00
Actuarial other	364	181	163	2.01	0.61	0.57
External audit	91	19	55	0.42	0.06	0.19
Total	2,738	228	256	11.01	0.77	0.89

The scope of work and activities of the Board and executive team vary substantially from scheme to scheme and are difficult to compare systematically. The type of scheme and complexities in benefit design, funding and employer numbers and engagement are all factors that impact costs. In addition, a scheme's propensity to outsource, M&A activity and legal issues arising in any period will affect an individual scheme's spend.

More importantly, it is very difficult to attach a meaningful measure of value to spend on governance. Extremely well governed schemes may be underfunded or achieve sub-optimal results and vice-versa. For these reasons, governance cost comparisons need to be treated cautiously but are included here for completeness.

¹ Includes attributions of accommodation, HR and other support costs.

² The peer average is the average amongst those schemes that have a valuation cost in the year.

In summary

Pension Administration Costs

- Your total costs were £15.14 per member below the peer average.
- Your costs were lower in all categories compared to your peer group.
- Your cost per member fell by 4.4% (CPI 4.8%) in the year.
- Your cost per member fell mainly due to a reduction in average salaries per FTE, lower support costs and reduced IT costs.

Member Service

- Your total service score was above the peer median.
- You scored well for service in these areas:
 - Setting up new pension
 - Newsletters and Campaigns
 - Telephone Outcomes
 - SLA
- You scored below your peers in these areas:
 - Secure member website functionalities (specifically no secure area where pensioners can access their data)
 - 1-on-1 meetings with members
 - Member presentations
- Your total service score increased by 3 points in the year.

Cost effectiveness

• You were positioned as high member service, low cost on the CEM administration cost effectiveness graph.

Employer Service

• You scored well for training employer staff and for SLAs relating to how you serve employers.

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Cost analysis

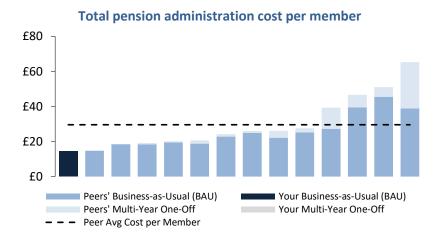
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Total administration cost

Your total pension administration cost was £14.45 per member¹. This was below the peer average of £29.59.

Your total pension administration cost per member is calculated by dividing your total cost of £4,296,620 by your total membership at year end of 297,331.



Your total pension administration cost is broken down between business-as-usual (BAU) and project costs averaged over multiple years.

Components of total pension administration cost

	£000's	£	per member	•
			Peer	Higher /
Function	You	You	average ²	(lower)
BAU	4,297	14.45	25.05 ²	-10.60
Projects	0	0.00	4.54	-4.54
Total	4,297	14.45	29.59	-15.13

The costs used in the comparison are 'fully loaded', with indirect costs like accommodation, HR and IT added, based on a standardised attribution and reflecting the data you supplied.

In the pages that follow we set out why your costs compare as they do and how they have changed over time.

¹ Per member costs in this report are based on all members (actives, deferreds and pensioners) unless otherwise stated.

² Reflects an adjustment for scale - refer to page 5.

Reasons for your relative cost positioning

Here are some reasons why your costs were £15.13 below the adjusted peer average

	Impact £ per	
Reason	member	Explanation
Headcount	-£4.85	You have 1 FTE for every 3,675 members, 32.0% less than the peer average of 1 FTE per 2,499 members. So, based on the experience of peers, we would expect your headcount to be 119.0 (38.1 more than you currently have).
		Calculation: $(119.0 \text{ FTEs}^3 - 80.9 \text{ FTEs}^4) \times £37,896* / 297,331 \text{ members} = £4.85 \text{ per member}$
		* Sum of your average salaries and benefits (£35,888), accommodation (£1,816), and HR $\&$ Training (£192) costs per FTE.
Salaries and benefits	-£0.67	Your average remuneration was £35,888 per FTE. This was 4.5% less than the peer average of £37,567*.
		Calculation: $(£35,888^1 - £37,567^2) \times 119.0 \text{ FTE}^3 / 297,331 \text{ members} = £0.67 \text{ per member}$
Accommodation	-£0.47	Your accommodation costs were £1,816 per FTE. This was 39.4% less than the peer average of £2,999.
		Calculation: $(£1,816 - £2,999) \times 119.0^3 \text{ FTE } / 297,331 \text{ members} = £0.47 \text{ per member}$
HR and Training	-£1.18	Your HR and Training costs were £192 per FTE. This was 93.9% less than the peer average of £3,150.
		Calculation: $(£192 - £3,150) \times 119.0^3 / 297,331$ members = £1.18 per member
Spending less per member on IT	-£3.65	Your IT spend (exc. projects) was £2.35 per member. The peer average was £6.00.
Third party fees and other direct costs	-£1.26	Your third party fees and other direct costs were £1.78 per member. The peer average was £3.05.
Total	-£12.09	Difference in cost before adjusting for economy of scale impact
Adjustment for scale	£1.49	You had a scale disadvantage. Your 297,331 members was below the peer average of 299,253.
Project costs	-£4.54	Your multi-year average project costs were £0.00 per member. The peer average was £4.54.
Total	-£15.13	Difference in cost after adjusting for economy of scale impact

^{*} The relative competitiveness of remuneration for your staff cannot be implied from this analysis. No account is taken of skills, experience, regional variations, local competition, etc

¹ Your average salaries and benefits per FTE

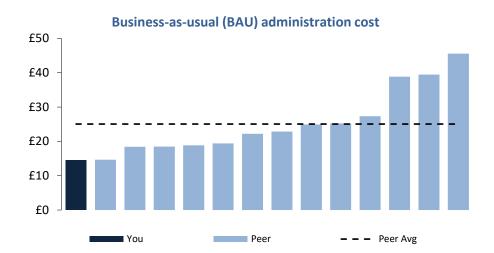
² Peer average salaries and benefits per FTE

³ Your expected headcount based on peer FTE numbers

⁴ FTE per member

Business-as-usual (BAU) administration cost

Your BAU administration costs were £14.45 per member. This was £10.60 below the peer average of £25.05. For this comparison, each peers' costs were adjusted for scale differences. This adjustment is described overleaf.



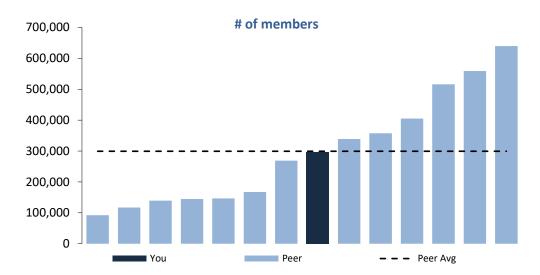
For the purpose of this report, BAU administration includes:

- Processing leavers, joiners, retirees, deaths, etc.
- Maintenance of the membership database
- Dealing with incoming and outgoing post, e-mails and phone calls
- Finance and accounting (excluding investment accounting)
- Mass communication including member statements, newsletters, websites, etc.
- Pensioner payroll
- Serving employers
- Collecting contributions and data
- Communication strategy, print and design
- Business integrity: quality, risk management, technical support, etc.

It excludes governance costs. These are considered separately.

Scale adjustment to peer costs

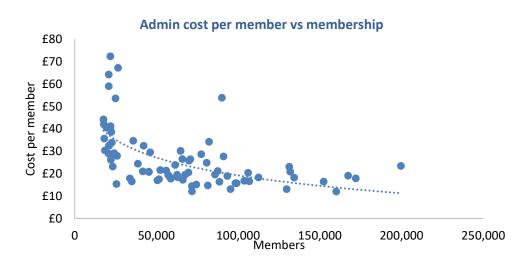
Having more members lets you spread your fixed costs over a larger base. Your scheme had 1% fewer members than the peer average.



For the purpose of the BAU cost comparison, we adjust each peers' costs to compensate for these scale differences. The effect of this 'normalisation' is to show how your costs would compare if your peers had the same membership numbers as you.

Because you have fewer members than peers, we expect your costs per member to be naturally higher. We therefore reduced peer costs by an average of £1.49 per member to compensate.

The adjustment reflects regression data from 105 UK pension schemes.



The same data helps us to suggest a potential cost impact for your scheme should your membership base change substantially.

Scale adjustment to peer costs

How ch	anges in member	ship could impact you	r cost
% change in	Implied # of	Predicted cost per	Increase /
members	members	member	decrease
-75%	74,333	£39.33	£24.88
-50%	148,666	£23.84	£9.39
-25%	222,998	£17.79	£3.34
0%	297,331	£14.45	£0.00
25%	371,664	£12.30	-£2.15
50%	445,997	£10.78	-£3.67
75%	520,329	£9.65	-£4.80

Other factors that impact relative cost

Membership Mix

Generally (though not universally) active members create more work than pensioners, who in turn create more work than deferred members. Your mix of members therefore impacts your costs and may explain some cost differences between you and peers.

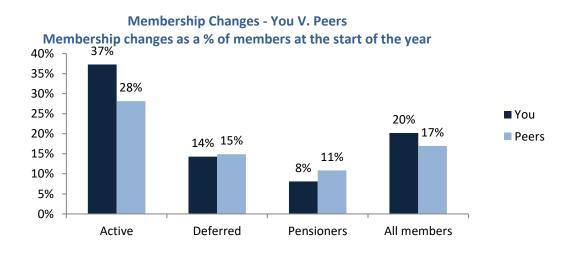
You have more active members than the peer average and fewer pensioners than the peer average.



Work Volumes

Work volumes are a key driver of cost. For example, if you receive more telephone calls then you are going to need more staff to deal with those calls - so as your work volume increases, your costs are likely to increase. All other things being equal, we would expect a scheme with above average work volumes to have above average costs.

One of the most significant drivers of work volumes for any pension scheme is transactional work caused by changes to membership - the number of people that join, leave, retire, die, etc. The following chart illustrates the relative number of membership changes that you process compared with peers.

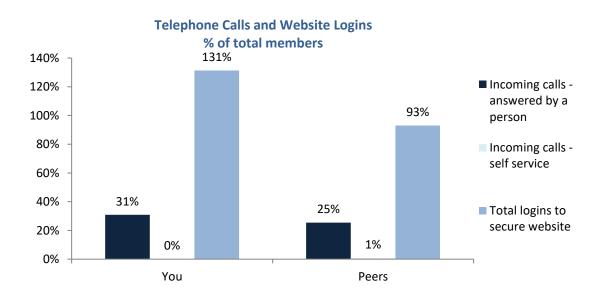


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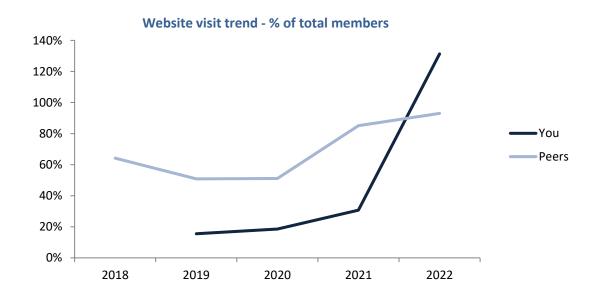
Other factors that impact relative cost

Channel Choice

Encouraging members to choose the web is an objective for many pension schemes, with an expectation that online solutions will improve efficiency. It is helpful therefore to compare channel choice amongst your members and to compare with peers. Your members were more likely to login than call. They were also more likely to login than the members of peer schemes.

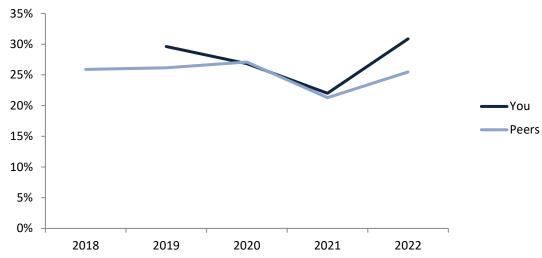


It is interesting to observe the channel shift. In the graphs that follow we highlighted how your website logins and telephone call volumes (both as a % of total members) have changed over time.



Other factors that impact relative cost

Telephone call trend - % of members calling



Data Quality

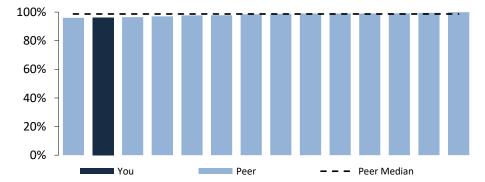
Data is the lifeblood of pension administration. Having accurate and reliable data in your database enables you to be efficient and effective. It's a prerequisite for moving member service into an on-line environment and making the on-line experience complete and meaningful.

The Pensions Regulator (TPR) has standardised definitions for data quality and asks for analysis on data quality in annual returns. Here is how your 'Common Data' compares with peers, based on data submitted in annual returns.

Common data is defined by TPR as data used to identify scheme members, including names, addresses, national insurance numbers and expected retirement date.

	You	Peers	Count*
Have you measured your common data in the last three years?	Yes	100% Yes	14
% of data assessed as being present and accurate	96.1%	98.1%	

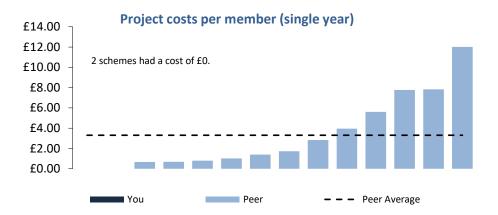
% of common data assessed to be present and accurate



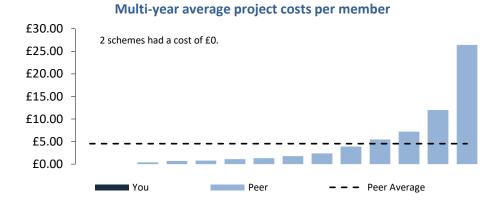
^{*} Count is the number of participating schemes that answered the question

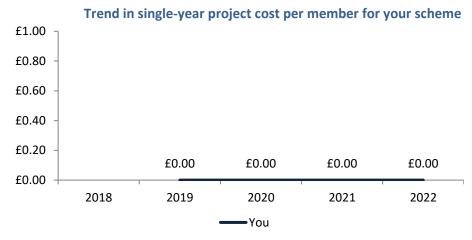
Project costs

Your project costs for the year ending March 2022 were £0.00 per member which was below the peer average of £3.31.



Your multi-year average project costs of £0.00 per member were below the peer average of £4.54.





A project is typically defined by the existence of a project team whose roles will terminate at the conclusion of the project. Extra work completed by regular members of staff is not regarded as a project. Project costs in the year include attributions of support costs and amortization for the year plus one-off outsourced fees and the capital cost of projects in the year.

Calculation of multi-year project costs

Your multi-year average extends over a maximum of 5 years.

Calculation of your multi-year average project costs

	One-off costs /		
	projects ¹	Total	£ per
Year ending March	£000s	members	member
2022	0	297,331	0.00
2021	0	287,644	0.00
2020	0	283,819	0.00
2019	0	279,934	0.00
Average Add:	0		0.00^{2}
Current year amortisation on capitalised projects	0	297,331	0.00
2022 attributions of support to projects	0	297,331	0.00
Multi-year average total	0	297,331	0.00

Note that peer costs may be averaged over a shorter time period if they have not provided data consistently over time.

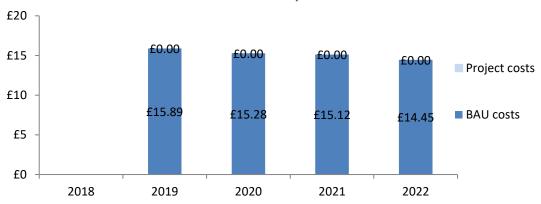
^{1.} Includes attributions of overhead (e.g. accommodation for staff working on projects) but excludes amortisation.

^{2.} Average based on current year membership (i.e. not the average of the numbers above).

Trend in administration cost

Your administration cost per member has fallen by an average of 3.1% per annum since 2019.





Trend in administration cost for your scheme

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	3-year
Total administration cost per member	£14.45	£15.12	£15.28	£15.89	-	
% change	-4.4%	-1.1%	-3.8%	-		-3.1% p.a.
Administration cost in £000s	4,297	4,349	4,338	4,447	-	
% change	-1.2%	0.3%	-2.5%	-		-1.1% p.a.
% change in CPI						3.5% p.a.
% change in average earnings						5.5% p.a.

Reasons why your cost fell are summarised in the table below.

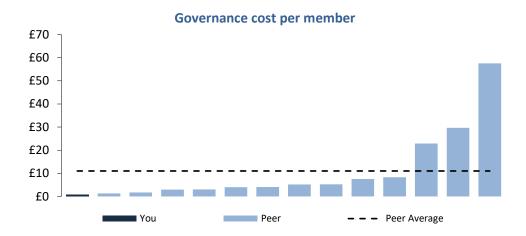
Explanation of change in administration cost

Explanation	Cost in £000s	Cost per member
Administration cost for year ending March 2021 ¹	4,349	£15.12
Impact of:		
17.8% increase in FTE ² (FTE increased by 12.2)	569	£1.98
17.6% fall in salaries per FTE ²	-620	-£2.15
33.5% fall in support costs per FTE ³	-82	-£0.28
15.1% fall in IT costs	-124	-£0.43
62.7% increase in third party and other direct costs	204	£0.71
No change in project costs	0	£0.00
3.4% increase in membership	n/a	-£0.49
Total change	-52	-£0.67
Administration cost for year ending March 2022	4,297	£14.45

- 1. When you last benchmarked.
- 2. For FTEs working on administration.
- 3. Support costs include accommodation, HR etc.

Governance costs

Your governance costs were £0.77 per member. This compares to a peer average of £11.01.



A breakdown of your governance cost is set out in the table below:

Components of governance cost

	Cost in	£000s	Cost per member (£)			
Function	You	Peer avg	You	Peer avg	More/less	
Board / Trustee fees and expenses	0	206	0.00	0.78	-0.78	
CEO, Secretariat, Strategy and Policy ¹	11	1,147	0.04	4.25	-4.21	
Legal	9	406	0.03	1.49	-1.46	
Actuarial - valuation ²	8	523	0.03	2.06	-2.03	
Actuarial - other	181	364	0.61	2.01	-1.40	
External Audit	19	91	0.06	0.42	-0.36	
Total	228	2,738	0.77	11.01	-10.24	

^{1.} Includes attributions of HR, accommodation and other support costs.

Governance costs are very difficult to compare systematically because the issues facing each scheme are so different. Factors that influence governance costs include:

- The nature of the scheme, e.g., corporate, industry-wide or public sector.
- The structure and complexity of the scheme and the nature of benefit changes in the year.
- Number, scale, complexity and timing of mergers and acquisitions.
- Funding position and the strength of the employer's covenant.
- Number of committees and frequency of meetings.

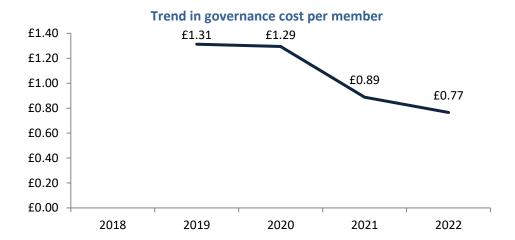
The following list highlights activities that you believe may have caused you to spend more than other schemes, internally or externally, on governance in the year:

• No description provided.

^{2.} The peer average is the average amongst the schemes that have a valuation cost in the year.

Trend in governance cost

Your governance cost per member has fallen by an average of 16.5% per annum since 2019.



Trend in governance cost for your scheme

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	3-year
Governance cost per member	£0.77	£0.89	£1.29	£1.31	-	
% change	-13.8%	-31.4%	-1.4%	-	-	-16.5% p.a.
Governance cost in £000s	228	256	368	368	-	
% change	-10.9%	-30.5%	0.0%	-	-	-14.8% p.a.
% change in CPI						3.5% p.a.
% change in average earnings						5.5% p.a.

Your governance cost per member fell by 13.8% since 2021 when you last benchmarked with CEM.

Explanation of change in governance cost

Explanation of change in cost	Cost in £000s	Cost per member
Governance cost for year ending March 2021	256	£0.89
Impact of:		
0.0% increase in Board / Trustee fees and expenses ¹	0	£0.00
14.5% fall in CEO, Secretariat, Strategy and Policy costs ¹	-2	-£0.01
64.2% fall in your Legal fees and costs ¹	-15	-£0.05
£8,000 increase in Actuarial - valuation fees and costs ¹	8	£0.03
11.0% increase in Actuarial - other fees and costs ¹	18	£0.06
66.2% fall in External Audit fees ¹	-37	-£0.13
3.4% increase in membership	n/a	-£0.03
Total change	-28	-£0.12
Governance cost for year ending March 2022	228	£0.77

^{1.} Includes attributions of IT, accommodation, HR costs etc. where there were internal FTEs.

Breakdown and attribution of costs

The table below shows the FTE and cost data you provided. It also shows how costs are attributed between administration, governance and projects.

		Dii	rect Costs			Amount	attribute	d to:
			Third					
		Staff	party					
		salaries &	fees &					
	Internal	benefits	other	Total	Basis of	Admin	Gov P	rojects
Functions	FTE	£000s	£000s	£000s	attribution	£000s	£000s	£000s
Administration								
Oversight of an outsourced administrator					100% Admin			
Outsourced administration - regular fees					100% Admin			
In-house administration	80.9	2,904	530	3,434	100% Admin	3,434		
Total administration	80.9	2,904	530	3,434	100% Admini	3,434		
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Projects 10. Amortisation of capitalised projects					100% Proj.			
11. Projects (if you don't capitalise)					100% Proj.			
12. Outsourced administration - irregular fees					100% Proj.			
Total projects					,			
Adjusted to reflect the multi year average ²								
Governance								
4. Board / Trustee fees and expenses					100% Gov			
5. CEO, Secretariat, Strategy and Policy	0.3	9	2	11	100% Gov		11	
6. Legal			9	9	100% Gov		9	
7. Actuarial - valuation related			8	8	100% Gov		8	
8. Actuarial - other			181	181	100% Gov		181	
9. External Audit			19	19	100% Gov		19	
Total governance	0.3	9	218	227			227	
Support Services								
13. Accommodation			152	152	Pro-rata using FTE ¹	152	0	
14. HR and Training			16	16	Pro-rata using FTE ¹	16	0	
15. IT/IS (excluding projects)	2.6	92	603	695	100% Admin	695		
16. Other Support Services					Pro-rata using FTE ¹			
Total support services	2.6	92	771	863	-	862	1	0
Total Cost (Admin, Proj, Gov & Support)	83.7	3,005	1,519	4,524		4,297	228	0
Adjusted to reflect the multi year average ²				4,524				0

^{1.} Accommodation, HR and Training and Other Support Services were attributed pro-rata to Administration, Projects, and Governance based on relative FTE within these three functions (i.e., 100% Administration, 0% Governance and 0% Projects)

^{2.} Fully attributed project costs and irregular fees are averaged over multiple years to improve comparability. Refer to page 11.

Cost per member by function

	Cost			
		Peer	Peer	
Functions	You	avg	med	Count ²
Administration				
Oversight of an outsourced administrator		0.16	0.16	1
Outsourced administration - regular fees		4.90	4.90	1
3. In-house administration	11.55	4.90 17.72	16.48	14
Breakdown (if provided)	11.55	17.72	10.40	14
• •	0.55	0.90	0.80	14
a. Call centre (if you have one) b. Member transactions	6.42	7.76	7.77	14
	0.42	0.79	0.76	
c. Pensioner payroll ³				14
d. Mail room / imaging	0.55	0.65	0.46	14
e. Communication	0.51	1.31	0.73	14
f. Scheme-wide processes	0.53	1.31	1.18	14
g. Serving employers	0.96	0.80	0.80	14
h. Finance and accounting	0.72	1.55	1.11	14
i. Technical, risk mgt, compliance, etc.	0.51	1.59	0.82	14
j. Other		0.91	0.61	14
Total in-house (of peers providing detail)	11.55	17.59	17.39	14
Total administration (1-3 above)	11.55	18.08	16.48	14
Total incl. attributions of support services	14.45	26.54	23.32	14
Adjusted total administration ¹	14.45	25.05	22.54	14
Projects				
10. Amortisation of capitalised projects		1.03	0.00	14
11. Projects (if you don't capitalise)		2.19	1.10	14
12. Outsourced administration - irregular fees		n/a	n/a	
Total projects		3.23	1.56	14
Total incl. attributions of support services		3.31	1.56	14
Multi-year average		4.54	1.55	14
Governance 4. Board / Trustee fees and expenses		0.74	0.35	14
5. CEO, Secretariat, Strategy and Policy	0.04	4.01	1.69	14
6. Legal	0.03	1.40	0.36	14
7. Actuarial - valuation related	0.03	2.06	0.18	14
8. Actuarial - other	0.61	1.89	0.90	14
9. External Audit	0.01	0.42	0.25	14
Total governance	0.76	10.53	4.53	14
Total governance Total incl. attributions of support services	0.76	11.01	4.53	14
Support Services	0.54	4.65	4.05	
13. Accommodation	0.51	1.65	1.05	14
14. HR and Training	0.05	1.17	0.60	14
15. IT/IS (excluding projects)	2.34	5.65	4.91	14
16. Other Support Services		0.55	0.32	14
Total support services	2.90	9.02	7.34	14
Total Cost (Admin, Proj, Gov & Support)	15.22	40.59	27.78	14

^{1.} The fully loaded costs of peers have been adjusted for differences in economies of scale. Refer to page 5 for details of the adjustments.

^{2.} Number of peers providing data.

^{3.} Your cost for pensioner payroll on a per pensioner basis was £2.22. The peer average was £2.30 and the peer median, £2.22.

FTE and salaries by function

		FTE		FTE per 10,000 members			Salaries 8			
		Peer	Peer		Peer	Peer		Peer	Peer	
Functions	You	avg	med	You	avg	med	You	avg		Count ¹
Administration										
Oversight of an outsourced administrator Outsourced administration - regular fees		0.1	0.0		0.00	0.00		80,000	80,000	1
In-house administration Breakdown (if provided)	80.9	113.4	94.9	2.72	4.00	3.78	35,888	37,643	35,390	14
a. Call centre (if you have one)	3.9	8.1	5.1	0.13	0.24	0.17	35,888	28,555	28,529	14
b. Member transactions	45.0	58.4	46.5	1.51	2.15	2.27	35,888	33,311	34,478	14
c. Pensioner payroll ²	5.5	5.9	4.0	0.18	0.20	0.20	35,888	35,986	35,169	14
d. Mail room / imaging	3.9	3.6	3.2	0.13	0.12	0.11	35,888	30,300	30,561	14
e. Communication	3.6	4.6	3.7	0.12	0.16	0.12	35,888	51,639	44,374	14
f. Scheme-wide processes	3.7	8.8	6.3	0.12	0.34	0.28	35,888	37,406	37,325	14
g. Serving employers	6.7	5.5	4.6	0.23	0.21	0.18	35,888	44,709	37,384	14
h. Finance and accounting	5.1	7.5	6.5	0.17	0.28	0.23	35,888	47,721	42,592	14
i. Technical, risk mgt, compliance, etc.	3.6	9.2	4.4	0.12	0.25	0.15	35,888	51,443	46,179	14
j. Other		1.5	1.0		0.06	0.04		129,321	106,034	14
Total administration (1-3 above)	80.9	113.5	94.9	2.72	4.00	3.78	35,888	37,655	35,390	14
Projects										
Amortisation of capitalised projects										0
11. Projects (if you don't capitalise)		3.9	0.0		0.11	0.00		67,745	74,784	4
12. Outsourced administration - irregular fees		3.9	0.0		0.11	0.00		07,743	74,704	0
Total projects		3.9	0.0		0.11	0.00		67,745	74,784	4
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Governance										
4. Board / Trustee fees and expenses		2.3	0.0		0.09	0.00		25,370	26,836	4
5. CEO, Secretariat, Strategy and Policy	0.3	7.6	1.8	0.01	0.28	0.10	35,888	151,891	106,213	14
6. Legal		1.7	0.1		0.07	0.01		104,416	99,500	7
7. Actuarial - valuation related		0.1	0.0		0.00	0.00		79,675	79,675	2
8. Actuarial - other		1.0	0.0		0.09	0.00		59,353	61,667	3
9. External Audit										0
Total governance	0.3	12.6	5.4	0.01	0.53	0.17	35,888	97,941	94,610	14
Support Services										
13. Accommodation		0.7	0.0		0.03	0.00		86,520	37,885	5
14. HR and Training		2.7	2.4		0.09	0.06		83,459	58,075	9
15. IT/IS (excluding projects)	2.6	9.6	8.1	0.09	0.40	0.30	35,888	52,875	45,596	13
16. Other Support Services		2.6	0.0		0.06	0.00		53,154	61,473	4
Total support services	2.6	15.6	12.9	0.09	0.58	0.38	35,888	57,059	45,596	13
Total (Admin, Proj, Gov & Support)										

^{1.} Number of peers providing data. Where applicable, we only compare schemes that provide detailed data.

^{2.} Your cost for pensioner payroll on a per pensioner basis was £0.52. The peer average was £0.56 and the peer median was £0.57.

Trends in your costs and FTE by function

	Salaries & benefits in £000s			Cmpd % change			Other costs in £000s				Cmpd % change				F	TE	Cmpd % change				
Functions	2022	2021	2020	2019	1 yr	2 yr	3 yr	2022	2021	2020	2019	1 yr	2 yr	_	2022	2021	2020	2019	1 yr		3 yı
Administration						,						,	,						,		
1. Outsourced administration - regular fees																					
Oversight of an outsourced administrator																					
3. In-house administration	2,904	2,992	2,159	3,135	-2.9%	16.0%	-2.5%	530	326	1,323	725	62.7%	-36.7%	-9.9%	81	69	78	66	17.8%	2.1%	7.2%
Total admin. before attrib. of support services	2,904	2,992	2,159	3,135	-2.9%	16.0%	-2.5%	530	326	1,323	725	62.7%	-36.7%	-9.9%	81	69	78	66	17.8%	2.1%	7.2%
Projects																					
10. Amortisation of capitalised projects																					
11. Projects (if you don't capitalise)																					
12. Outsourced administration - irregular fees																					
Total projects																					
Governance																					
4. Board / Trustee fees and expenses										14	14		-100.0%								
5. CEO, Secretariat, Strategy and Policy	9	11	. 24	24	-18.0%	-38.0%	-27.3%	2	1				100.0%		0	0	1	1	-14.7%	-28.4%	-20.0%
6. Legal								9	24	10	10	-64.2%	-7.5%								
7. Actuarial - valuation related								8		100	100	100.0%									
8. Actuarial - other								181	163	150	150	11.0%	10.0%	6.6%							
9. External Audit								19	55	69	69		-47.8%								
Total gov. before attrib. of support services	9	11	. 24	24	-18.0%	-38.0%	-27.3%	218	244	342	342	-10.5%	-20.2%	-13.9%	0	0	1	1	-14.7%	-28.4%	-20.0%
Support Services																					
13. Accommodation								152	190	202	185		-13.2%								
14. HR and Training	92	137	103	271	-33.1%	-5.7%	20.20/	16 603	28 677	80 471	70		-55.2% 13.1%		3	3	4	6	20.00/	-17.0%	22.40/
15. IT/IS (excluding projects)	92	137	103	2/1	-33.1%	-5.7%	-30.3%	603	6//	4/1	63	-11.0%	13.1%	112.4%	3	5	4	ь	-20.0%	-17.0%	-23.4%
16. Other Support Services	02	127	103	271	-33.1%	F 70/	-30.3%	771	905	752	210	12.00/	1 20/	24.20/			4		20.00/	-17.0%	22.40/
Total support services	92	137	103	271	-33.1%	-5.7%	-30.3%	771	895	753	319	-13.9%	1.2%	34.3%	3	3	4	6	-20.0%	-17.0%	-23.4%
Total (Admin, Proj, Gov & Support)	3,005	3,140	2,287	3,430	-4.3%	14.6%	-4.3%	1,519	1,465	2,418	1,385	3.7%	-20.7%	3.1%	84	72	82	72	16.0%	1.1%	5.2%
Members	297,331	287,644	283,819	279,934	3.4%	2.4%	2.0%								FTE	per 10,0	000 memb	ers			
Total per member	£10.11	£10.92	£8.06	£12.25	-7.4%	12.0%	-6.2%	£5.11	£5.09	£8.52	£4.95	0.4%	-22.6%	1.1%	2.8	2.5	2.9	2.6	12.2%	-1.2%	3.1%

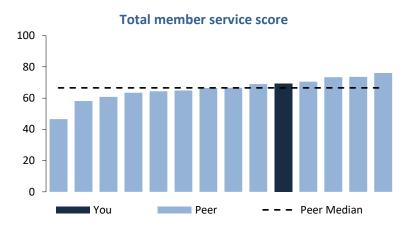
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Total member service score

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Total member service score

Your total service score was 69 out of 100. This was above the peer median of 67.



Your total service score is the weighted average of the service scores for each of your three member types (actives, deferreds, and pensioners). The weighting for you and your peers¹ is based on your ratio of actives, deferreds, and pensioners as follows:

	Weight = % of	Service
	Members	Score
Actives	36%	61
Deferreds	29%	66
Pensioners	35%	80
Weighted total	100%	69

The detailed calculation of the service score for each member type is shown in sections 4, 5 and 6.

A higher service score is not necessarily better because:

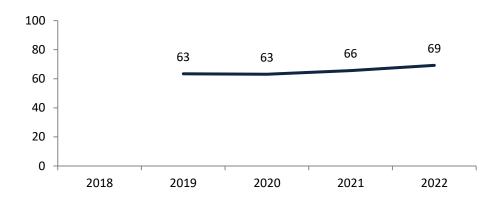
- High service may not always be cost effective or optimal. For example, it is clearly higher service for your members to have telephone access 24 hours a day but few schemes would be able to justify the cost.
- The service measures are most useful for identifying what you are doing differently than your peers.
 Understanding these differences can give you ideas on how you may want to improve, or reduce, the service you provide to your members.
- Our 'weights' are an approximation of the importance of an individual service element. The weights will not always reflect the relative importance that you or your members attach to an individual service element.

^{1.} For your peers with no active members we have added a default active member service score equal to your own active member service score.

Trend in your total member service score

Your total service score has increased by 3 points since you last benchmarked.

Trend in total member service



Trend in member service for your scheme

Your service score							nge
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	1-Yr	3-Yr
Actives	61	59	55	57		2	4
Deferreds	66	59	58	56		7	10
Pensioners	80	78	76	76		2	4
Weighted Total	69	66	63	63		3	6

Historic scores have been restated to reflect changes in the methodology. If any question was not asked in a prior year we used your response from the year when the question was first asked as a default. Where defaults are used, those defaults are applied historically to ensure year-on-year consistency.

Rationale for the service score methodology

The scoring methodology used to calculate the service scores for each of active members, deferred members and pensioners (shown in detail in the next three sections of this report) has been developed over many years by CEM in discussion with participating pension schemes. We actively seek the input of participants at meetings, workshops and peer conferences. We also complete regular research on topics of interest – and that research helps us refresh the model and reflect new working practices.

The following list reflects the thinking that drives the scoring methodology and the weights:

Service is about more than just Service Level Agreements (SLAs)

Many UK pension schemes focus too narrowly on performance against designated service standards (timescales for performing certain activities). SLAs are important, but are a a very limited measure of the members' service experience in their own right. Our scoring system reflects the rounded experience, seen from the members' perspective.

Different member groups have different needs

The services you provide for pensioners are clearly different to the services you provide for active members. The scoring system reflects your unique member profile (and peer scores are adjusted to reflect your membership mix).

Relative volume of each activity

The average UK participant processes 15 pension set-ups and receives over 300 member calls for every 1,000 members. So, based solely on volume, calls are 20 times more important than pension set-ups.

Expectations based on external experience

Members have various external points of reference to compare some activities, e.g., experience on the telephone where they can compare with their bank, utility providers etc. They rarely have any experience of having a pension set-up though.

Personalised human contact

Research shows that human contact provides the greatest opportunity for generating customer satisfaction. So, based solely on personalised human contact, meeting members is much more important than 'no contact' activities such as the website or paying pensions.

About members' money

Nothing gets a member's attention faster than their own money so things like benefit calculators linked to member data and paying pensions are much more important than your booklet.

Mission critical

Paying pensions is mission critical. Producing newsletters is not.

Volume is a good indicator of quality

If you do a lot of something then you are more likely to be good at it. For example, the more members you meet, the more likely you are to invest in making the experience as complete as possible.

Focus on what is material

We could ask a thousand questions about service – but we really want to produce a good indicator of overall service levels without getting 'bogged down' in detail (and without involving your team in a substantial amount of work). We try to get the balance right and focus on what is material.

What gets measured gets managed

... and what doesn't get measured doesn't get managed. So measure what matters. We penalise schemes in the scoring system for failing to measure some things we think are important to members.

Content matters

Your members need to make financial decisions based on all the facts – having relevant information is helpful.

Different members prefer different channels

Members are used to different channels (e.g., web, telephone, face-to-face, print) so offering a range of services across all will help to satisfy more members.

Members will complain

Every customer centric organisation gets complaints. We don't seek to penalise low-level complaint 'noise'. We really want to highlight spikes in complaints or those organisations that have consistently high levels of complaints. For this reason, we have a complaint volume 'floor' below which there is no deduction.

We also think that complaints that turn into IDR cases are both substantive and measureable on a more consistent basis. For this reason, IDR cases are afforded more importance than non-IDR complaints.

What we don't capture directly:

The results of feedback from members

We don't ask the members how they feel about the service you provide - but we do believe that you should - so if you get regular, focused and actionable feedback then you will score higher.

Quality of the human interaction

We don't try to compare the quality of personal contact – but again member satisfaction surveying should provide insights on this aspect of service (and give you the data you need to work on the quality of the human interaction). We also think you should monitor your staff. If you monitor them then you are more likely to work with the data to improve their skills and performance.

Engagement

We don't try to quantify the extent to which members value the benefits or have an affinity with the scheme or the team/organisation that serves them.

Presentation of printed material

Whilst we do ask questions about content, we don't evaluate the quality or readability of printed material.

Service Standards - Turnaround Times

Turnaround times on standard and repeatable tasks are often used to measure the performance of administration teams. We believe that they have a role but time measures are only part of the total experience. Turnaround times are difficult to compare consistently across schemes (because each scheme has a different approach). Our preferred measure is actual average turnaround. We believe that measuring actual average turnaround captures the impact of outlying cases and accurately reflects the experience of the member. We recognise however that not all schemes measure actual average turnaround. Some only measure the % of cases completed inside their target. Our methodology is flexible to incorporate both approaches.

In any event, the information provided here helps participants to understand how their outcomes compare with others and what data has been used in the SLA service scores in the sections that follow.

Actual average turnaround time from the point at which all	You	Peer Avg.	Peer Med.	Count
necessary data was available	(# days)	(# days)	(# days)	333
necessary data was available	(# days)	(# days)	(# days)	
Active members:				
Contact an old scheme to request a transfer value	n/a	4	3	6
Generate a transfer in quotation	3	6	3	10
Generate an ill-health early retirement quotation	Unknown	6	5	7
Make and communicate an ill-health retirement decision	n/a	2	2	4
Pay lump sum on death	5	9	5	10
Deferred members:				
Send a notification of entitlement to a leaver	8	10	7	10
Generate a transfer value quotation	13	9	5	12
Process a transfer out (make the payment)	13	12	6	12
Pensioners:				
Pay lump sums on death (within any guarantee period)	4	6	3	11
Respond to tax queries	Unknown	2	2	8
Multiple member groups:				
Set up a new pension	1	4	4	10
Pay a Pension Commencement Lump Sum	1	3	3	11
Send a written estimate	3	6	2	11
Initial response to someone notifying you of a death	2	3	2	11
Switching accumulated balances between investment options	n/a	2	2	6

	Your ta	arget tu	rnarou	nd time	% of cases inside target	Adjusted performance (Used to calculate your score)		
	You	Peer	Peer	Count	You	You	Peer Med.	
	You	Avg.		Count				
Percentage of cases within target			days) A		(%) B		days) /B	
refeeltage of cases within target			A		В		70	
Active members:								
Contact an old scheme to request a transfer value	n/a	8	10	3	n/a	n/a	3	
Generate a transfer in quotation	n/a	4	4	2	n/a	3	3	
Generate an ill-health early retirement quotation	n/a	6	5	4	n/a	n/a	5	
Make and communicate an ill-health retirement decision	n/a	5	5	2	n/a	n/a	2	
Pay lump sum on death	n/a	4	4	4	n/a	5	5	
Deferred members:								
Send a notification of entitlement to a leaver	n/a	20	15	4	n/a	8	9	
Generate a transfer value quotation	n/a	9	10	4	n/a	13	6	
Process a transfer out (make the payment)	n/a	8	8	4	n/a	13	6	
Pensioners:								
Pay lump sums on death (within any guarantee period)	n/a	5	5	4	n/a	4	3	
Respond to tax queries	n/a	8	8	4	n/a	n/a	3	
Multiple member groups:								
Set up a new pension	n/a	6	5	4	n/a	1	4	
Pay a Pension Commencement Lump Sum	n/a	5	5	4	n/a	1	3	
Send a written estimate	n/a	8	10	4	n/a	3	3	
Initial response to someone notifying you of a death	n/a	5	4	4	n/a	2	2	
Switching accumulated balances between investment options	n/a	4	4	2	n/a	n/a	2	

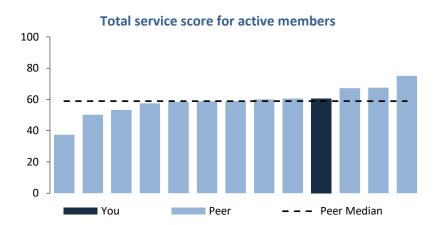
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Service for active members

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•	Digital (secure - use) service score	14
•	Digital (secure - functionality) service score	15
•	Digital (social media) service score	16
•	SLA service score	17
•	DC/AVCs score	18
•	Feedback service score	19
•	Vulnerable members service score	20
•	Complaints deduction	21
•	Data breaches deduction	22

Total service score for active members

Your total service score for active members was 61 out of 100. This was above the peer median of 59.



Your service score for active members is a weighted total of scores at an activity level, as follows:

		Servi	ce score	
			Peer	Higher/
Activity	Weight	You	median ¹	-lower ²
Pension Set Ups	10%	91	52	39
Benefit Statements	8%	69	57	12
Estimates	7%	25	95	-70
Newsletters and Campaigns	4%	65	40	25
Meeting Members - Individuals	4%	0	20	-20
Meeting Members - Groups	5%	40	40	0
Telephone - Pre-Connection	7%	32	43	-10
Telephone - Capability	4%	90	87	3
Telephone - Outcomes	3%	66	64	2
Digital - Public	5%	62	62	0
Digital - Secure Website Use	10%	90	87	3
Digital - Secure Website Function	9%	39	53	-14
Digital - Social Media	4%	50	50	0
SLA	7%	89	84	5
DC and AVCs	5%	37	57	-20
Feedback	4%	68	68	0
Vulnerable Members	4%	88	78	10
Deductions				
Complaints (up to 6 pts)	n/a	0	0	0
Data Breaches (up to 20 pts)	n/a	0	0	0
Weighted Total	100%	61	59	2

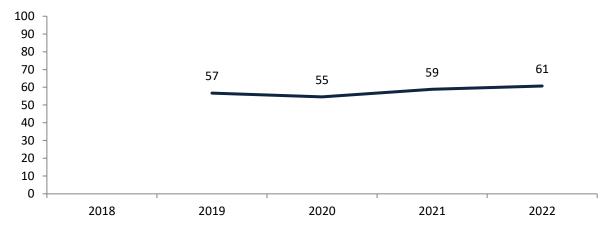
^{1.} The weighted total peer median service score for active members is the median of the weighted total for each peer. It will not equal the weighted sum of the peer median scores for each activity.

^{2.} Any minor differences are due to rounding.

Trend

Your service score for active members has increased by 2 points since you last benchmarked.



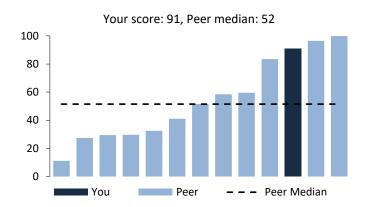


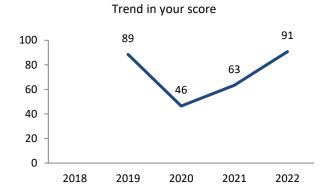
Trend in service score for active members by activity

			Your serv	vice score			Cha	nge
Activity	Weight	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	1-Yr	3-Yr
Pension Set Ups	10%	91	63	46	89		27	2
Benefit Statements	8%	69	69	69	69		0	0
Estimates	7%	25	20	20	20		5	5
Newsletters and Campaigns	4%	65	45	45	45		20	20
Meeting Members - Individuals	4%	0	0	19	25		0	-25
Meeting Members - Groups	5%	40	84	61	23		-43	18
Telephone - Pre-Connection	7%	32	58	58	59		-26	-27
Telephone - Capability	4%	90	90	90	87		0	3
Telephone - Outcomes	3%	66	66	66	66		0	0
Digital - Public	5%	62	62	62	62		0	0
Digital - Secure - Use	10%	90	71	50	46		18	43
Digital - Secure - Functionality	9%	39	39	37	37		0	2
Digital - Social Media	4%	50	50	50	50		0	0
SLA	7%	89	88	89	89		2	0
DC and AVCs	5%	37	37	37	37		0	0
Feedback	4%	68	68	68	68		0	0
Vulnerable Members	4%	88	88	88	88		0	0
Deductions								
Complaints (up to 6 pts)	n/a	0	0	0	0		0	0
Data Breaches (up to 20 pts)	n/a	0	0	0	0		0	0
Total	100%	61	59	55	57		2	4

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Pension set up service score





Scoring methodology	Your Data		Your Score		Peer Med.
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022

Pension Set up

+50 If 100% of your new pensions were paid without a cashflow interruption greater than 1 month, otherwise 50 X percent of first pension installment paid within 1 month of final pay cheque Score 12.5 if unknown.

No	No			31%Yes	
n/a	n/a			29%	
n/a	n/a	0.0	0.0	2	

60.0%

97.8% 73.6% 48.9 36.8

-5 If a new pension set-up is based on estimates:

-5 X percent of new pensions based on estimatesX average number of months to finalise / 3[Subject to a maximum deduction of 5]

Pension Commencement Lump Sum (PCLS)

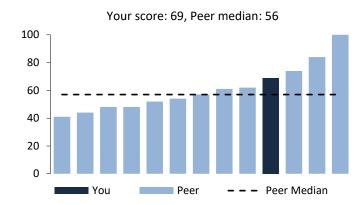
+50 if 100% of pension commencement lump sum payments were paid within one week of the individual's retirement date, otherwise 50 X % paid within a week

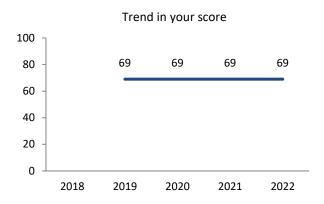
Score of 12.5 if unknown. 83.7% 53.0% 41.8 26.5 36.0%

Your total score is subject to an overall minimum of 0

100 Total 90.8 63.3 51.5

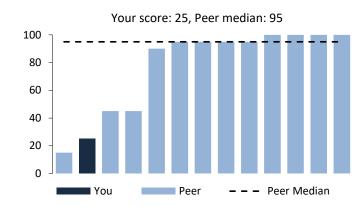
Benefit statement service score

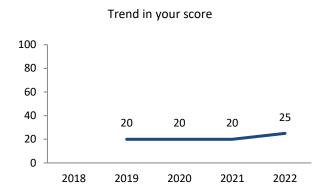




Scori	ing methodology	Your	Data	Your	Score	Peer Med.
		2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
+46	Timeliness If data in your annual statement is current to 1 month, otherwise 46 - 4 for each month in excess of 1 month out of date (subject to a minimum of 0)	2.0 mths	2.0 mths	42.0	42.0	4.5 mths
+27	Content If your member statements fully incorporate DC or AVC data, 18 if DC/AVC statements were sent alongside member statements,					
	0 if sent separately	Separate	Separate	0.0	0.0	22% Integrated
+9	If the statement shows pensionable earnings	Yes	Yes	9.0	9.0	92%Yes
+9	If the statement shows accumulated pensionable service	Yes	Yes	9.0	9.0	62%Yes
+9	If a comparison with the annual / lifetime allowance is provided	Yes	Yes	9.0	9.0	69%Yes
100	Total			69.0	69.0	55.5

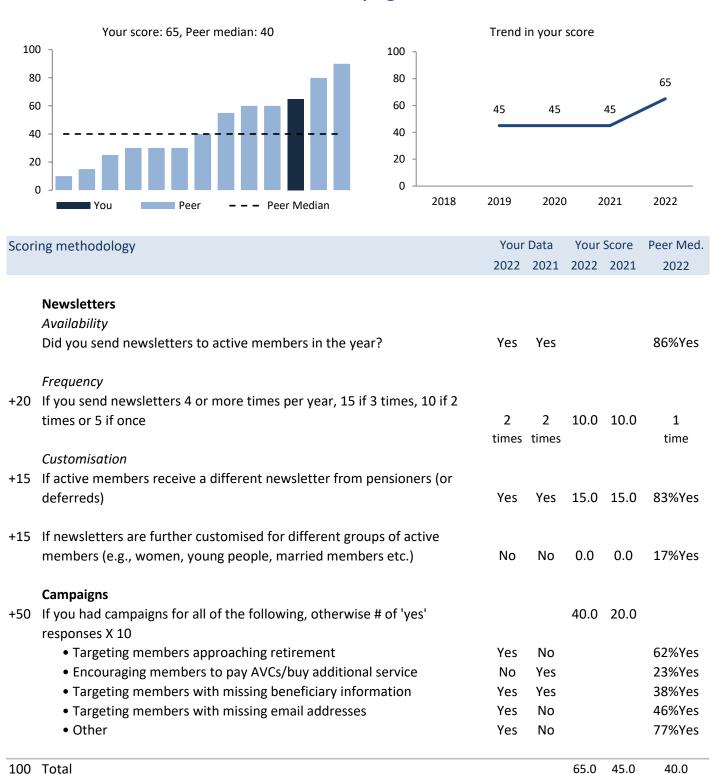
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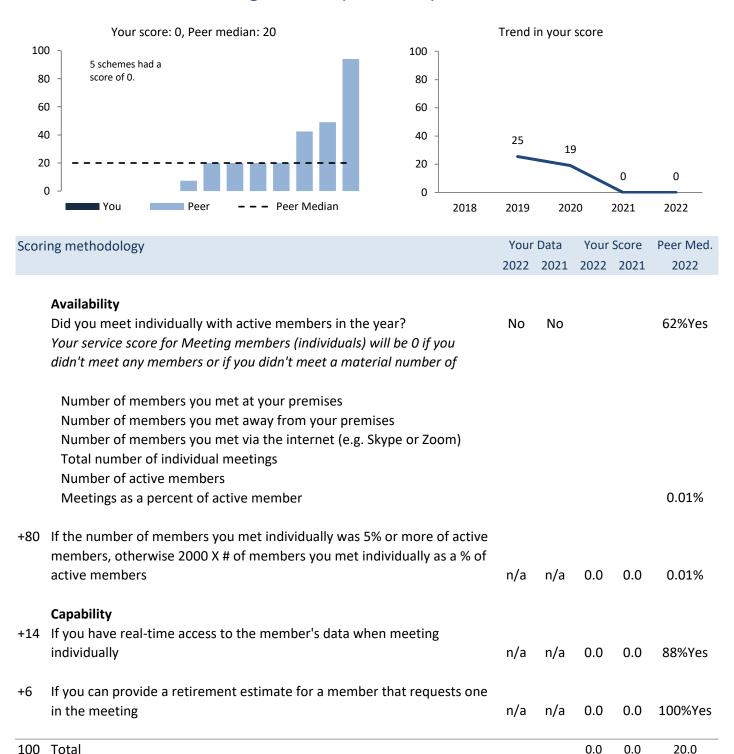


Scor	Scoring methodology		Your Data		Score	Peer Med.	
		2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	
+10	Printed estimates If you post printed estimates to members on request	Yes	Yes	10.0	10.0	100%Yes	
	Content of printed estimates						
+5	If you clearly address how the pension is inflation protected	No	No	0.0	0.0	62%Yes	
+5	If you can show the benefits payable at different retirement ages	Yes	Yes	5.0	5.0	85%Yes	
+5	If you can show Pension Commencement Lump Sum options as well as						
	the full, uncommuted pension	Yes	Yes	5.0	5.0	92%Yes	
+5	If you can incorporate AVC information alongside main scheme benefits	Yes	No	5.0	0.0	69%Yes	
	On-line estimates (calculators)						
+20	If you have an on-line calculator accessible by active members	No	No	0.0	0.0	85%Yes	
+50	If the calculator is linked to the member's personal data (in a secure area)	n/a	n/a	0.0	0.0	82%Yes	
100	Total			25.0	20.0	95.0	

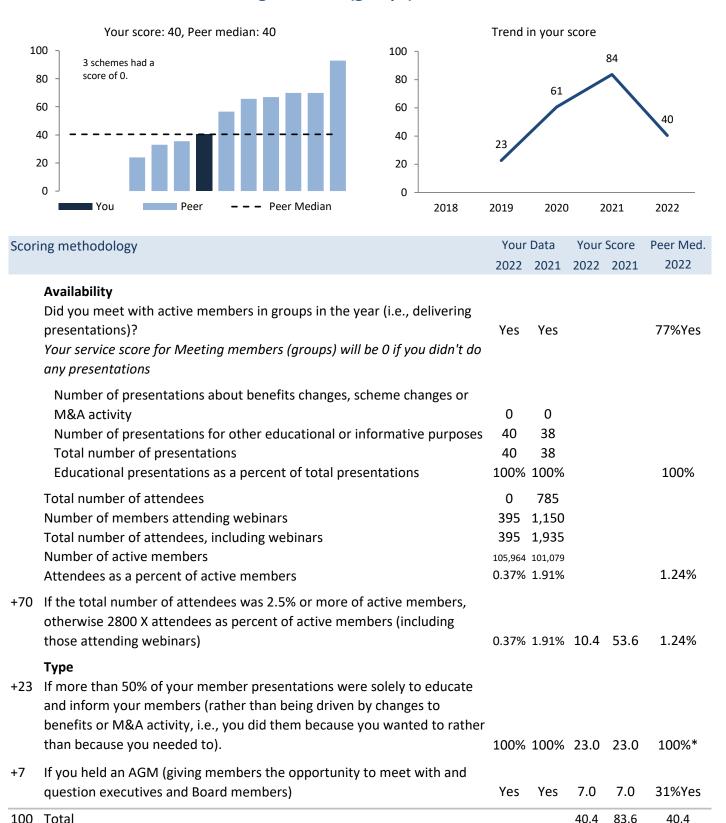
Newsletters and campaigns service score



Meeting members (individuals) service score

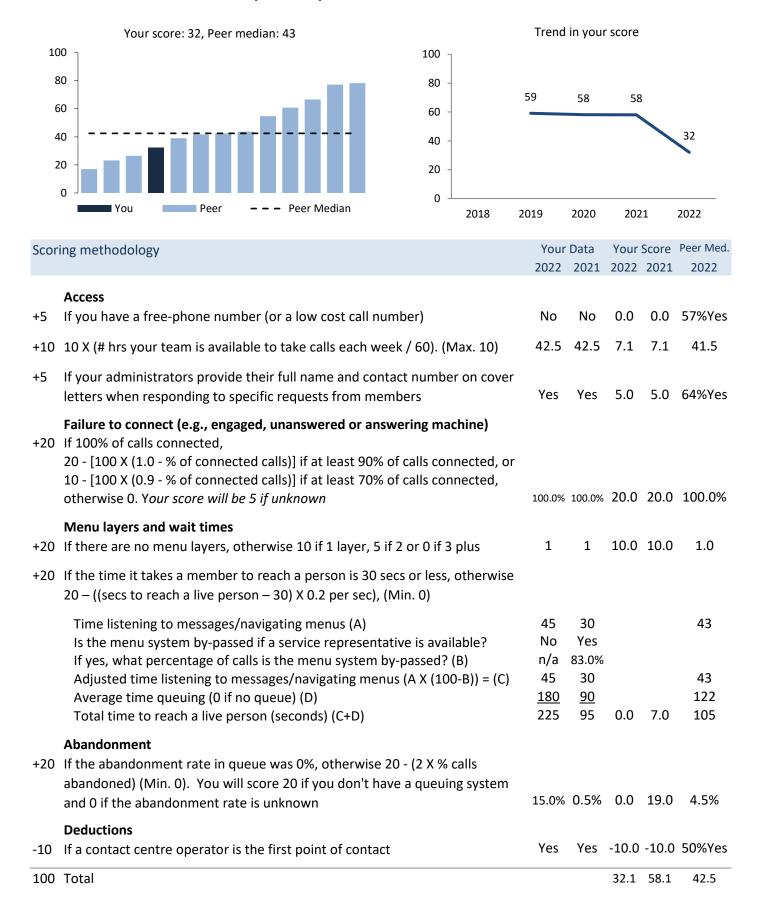


Meeting members (groups) service score

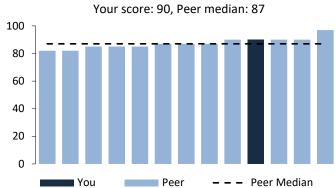


^{*} Peer median percentage of presentations that were solely to educate.

Telephone - pre-connection service score



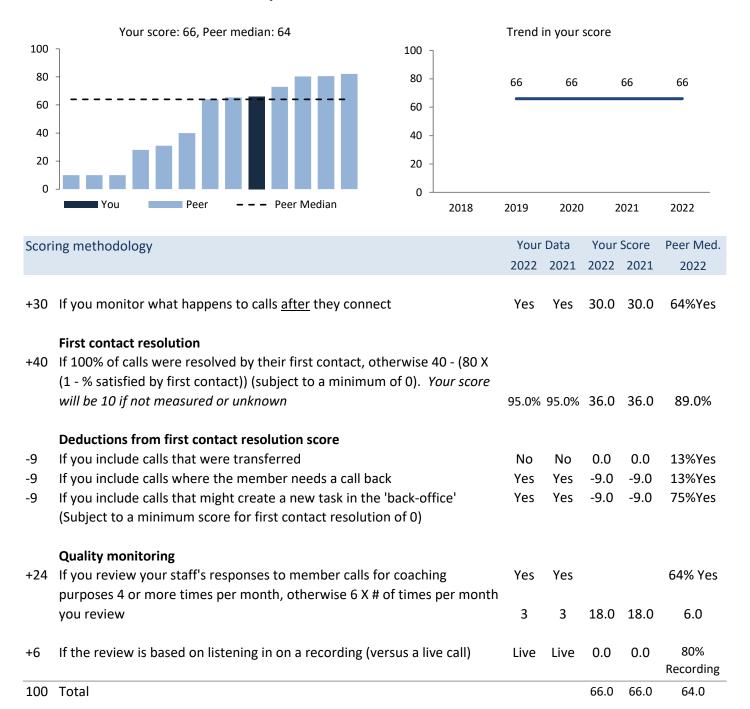
Telephone - capability service score



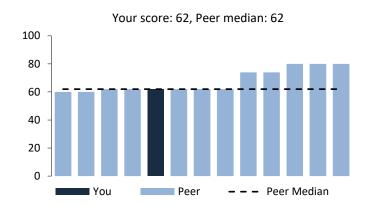


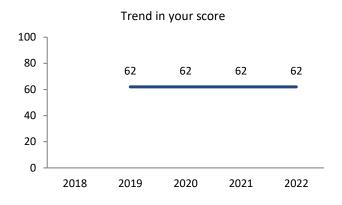
	You Peer — — Peer Median	2018	2019	202	20	2021	2022
Scori	ng methodology		Your	Data	Your	Score	Peer Med.
			2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
+40	If you have security routines that allow staff to discuss a member personal data, such as salary and service history, on the phone	's	Yes	Yes	40.0	40.0	100%Yes
	Basic capability						
+27	If you have immediate computer access to each of the following v	whilst on					
,	a call with members, otherwise (# of 'yes' responses / # applicable				27.0	27.0	
	• Record of the member's previous calls	-, ·· - ·	Yes	Yes		_,,,	86%Yes
	Copies of recent correspondence on-line		Yes	Yes			100%Yes
	 A knowledge-sharing help system for use by the administrat 	or	Yes	Yes			71%Yes
	Pensionable salary		Yes	Yes			100%Yes
	Salary history		Yes	Yes			100%Yes
	Pensionable service		Yes	Yes			100%Yes
	 Pensionable service history 		Yes	Yes			100%Yes
	Home address		Yes	Yes			100%Yes
	 Real-time access to a workflow system 		Yes	Yes			100%Yes
	# yes answers / # applicable		9/9	9/9			
	High value adding capability						
+20	If you have immediate computer access to each of the following v	whilst on					
	a call with members (and can convey the information whilst on the	ne call),					
	otherwise (# of 'yes' responses / # applicable) X 20				10.0	10.0	
	 Most recent member statement (or the data from the state) 	ment)	Yes	Yes			100%Yes
	Transfer value		No	No			21%Yes
	A pension estimate		Yes	Yes			29%Yes
	Amounts payable on death		No	No			21%Yes
	# yes answers / # applicable		2/4	2/4			
	Change of address						
+13	Change of address If members can notify you of a change of address over the teleph	one	Yes	Yes	13.0	13.0	100%Yes

Telephone - outcomes service score



Digital - public service score

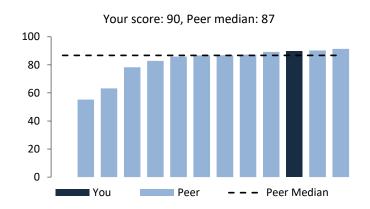


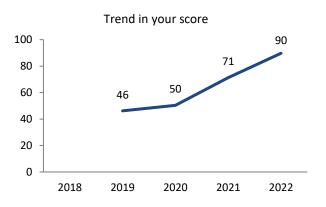


Scor	Scoring methodology		r Data Your		Score	Peer Med.
		2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
+10	Availability If you have a website accessible by active members Your service score for Digital - Public will be 0 if you don't have a website	Yes	Yes	10.0	10.0	100%Yes
+20 +20	If you have a mobile version of your website	Yes No	Yes No	20.0 0.0	20.0 0.0	86%Yes 0%Yes
	Content					
+20	If forms used by active members are available for download	Yes	Yes	20.0	20.0	100%Yes
+18	If you have a benefit calculator in the public (non-secure) area ¹	No	No	0.0	0.0	50%Yes
+6	If member booklets are available to view or download	Yes	Yes	6.0	6.0	100%Yes
+6	If educational videos are available online	Yes	Yes	6.0	6.0	86%Yes
100	Total			62.0	62.0	62.0

^{1.} Points for a calculator are also given in the service score for estimates

Digital - secure - use service score

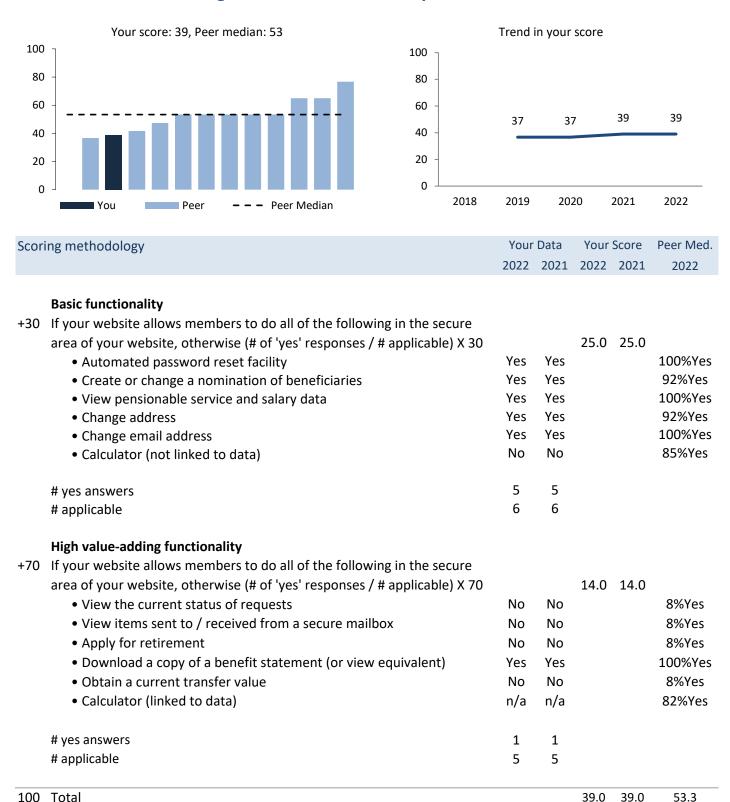




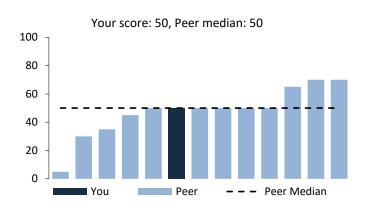
100	Total			89.7	71.3	86.8
+20	If the average user accessed the secure area at least 2 times in the year, otherwise (D/2) \times 20. Your score will be 10 if the total number of logins was unknown.			20.0	20.0	
	Multiple logins Number of total visits by active members 1 (C) Number of active members that accessed the secure area in the year (A) Average number of visits made by each member that logged in (C/A) = D	•	41,466 8,179 5.1			4.1
+60	If 10% or more of your active members accessed the secure area in the past year, otherwise 600 X % of active members that accessed the secure area $$	37.4%	8.1%	60.0	48.6	
	Number of members actually using your secure area Number of actives that accessed the secure area in the year (A) Number of active members (B) % of actives that accessed the secure area in the year (A/B)	105,964	8,179 101,079 8.1%			30.7%
+20	20 x the percentage of members that are registered users			9.7	2.7	
	Number of active members (B) % of active members that are registered users (A/B)	105,964	101,079 13.5%			35.3%
	Registered users Number of active member registered users (A)	E1 2/12	13,680			
	Active member access Can your active members access their own data via a secure website?	Yes	Yes			86%Yes
Scor	ing methodology		Data 2021		Score 2021	Peer Med. 2022

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Digital - secure - functionality service score



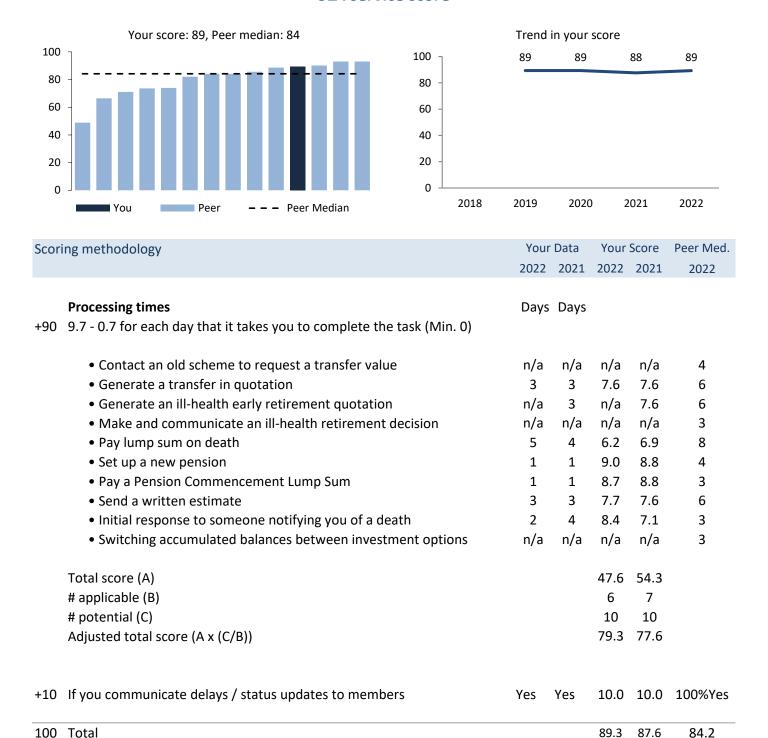
Digital - social media service score





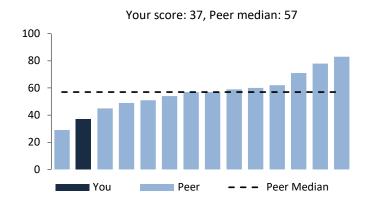
Scor	ing methodology	Your	ur Data You		Score	Peer Med.	
		2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	
+15	Platforms If your scheme has a page on 3 or more social media platforms, 10 if 2 platforms, 5 if 1 platform	2	New	10	10	1.7	
+60	Frequency If your scheme posts on average 10 times or more per month, 40 if posted 5 times or more per month, 20 if more than once a month	7	New	40	40	13.3	
+25	Member interactions If your scheme responds to member interactions via social media on average within 1 hour, otherwise (25-5x) for each hour in excess of 1 hour (subject to a minimum of 0)	48	New	0	0	18.4	
100	Total			50.0	50.0	50.0	

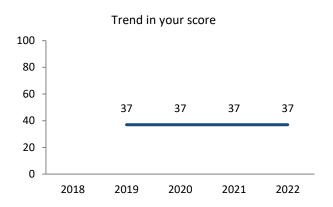
SLA service score



^{*} Where a scheme was unable to supply actual average turnaround times, we have substituted a calculated turnaround based on target and % of cases processed inside the target: Refer to Section 3 - Total Service - Pages 7 and 8 for more details.

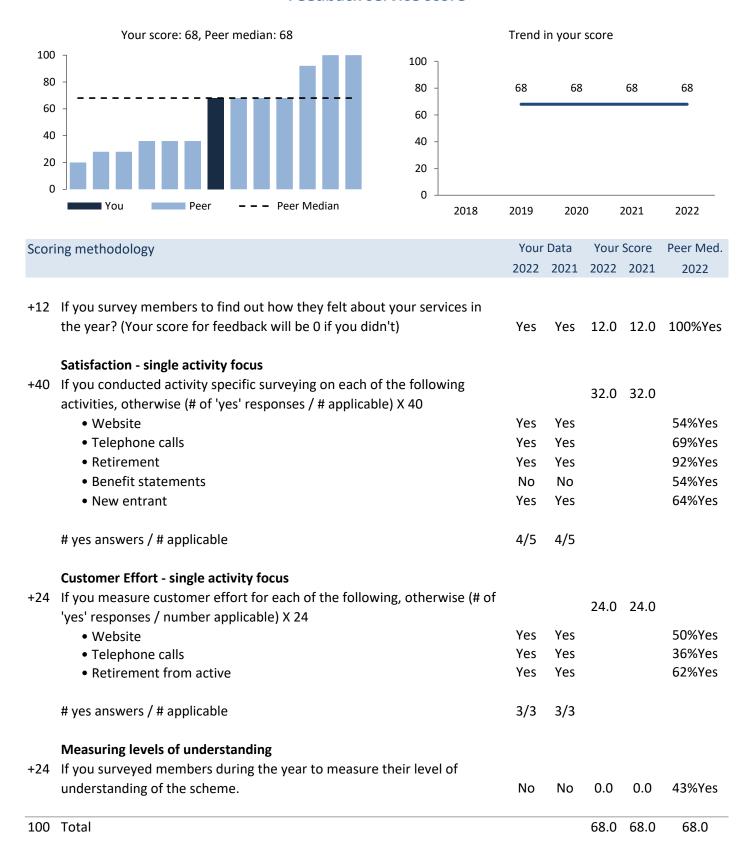
DC/AVCs service score



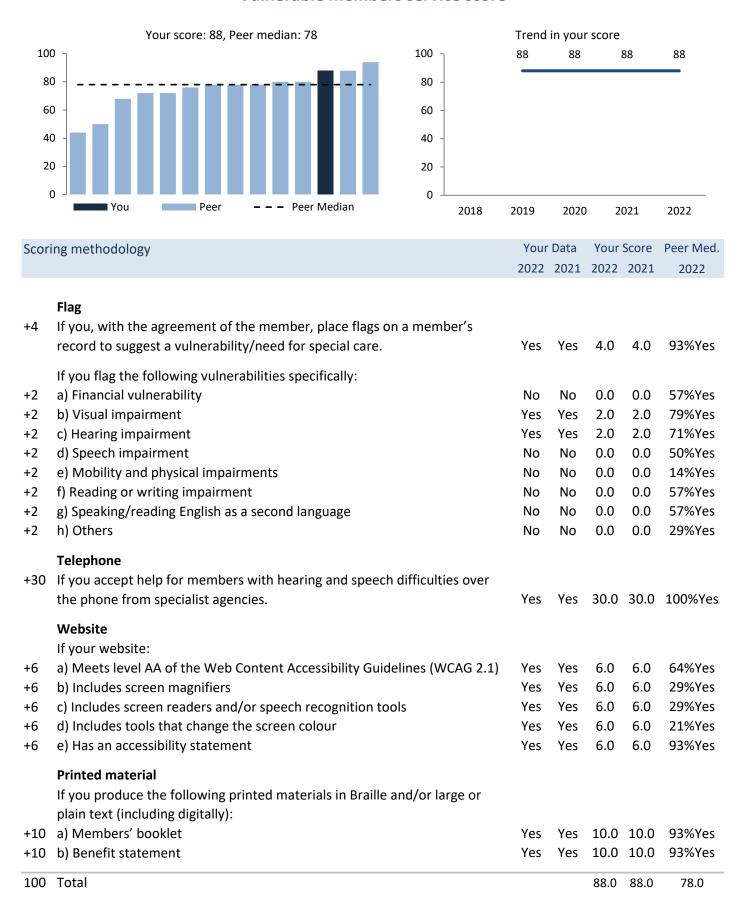


Scorin	g methodology	Your	Data	Your	Score	Peer Med.
		2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
+18	Member statement - timeliness 18 - 3 for each month that the data in your statements is out of date (Min. 0)	3.0	3.0	9.0	9.0	3.1
	Member statement - content					
+2	If your DC/AVC statement contains: A summary of all account activity for the statement period	Yes	Yes	2.0	2.0	57%Yes
+2 +2	A summary of all account activity for the statement period A beginning and end of period market values	Yes	Yes	2.0	2.0	93%Yes
+2 +2	Rates of return for investment options over multiple time periods	No	No	0.0	0.0	21%Yes
+2	A comparison of fund option returns to benchmark indices	No	No	0.0	0.0	14%Yes
+2	A personal rate of return for the member's account	No	No	0.0	0.0	14%Yes
+2	An estimates of the future account balance at retirement	Yes	Yes	2.0	2.0	93%Yes
+2	Options selected for investment of new contributions	No	No	0.0	0.0	71%Yes
+2	The charges deducted from the members account (in £)	Yes	Yes	2.0	2.0	86%Yes
	Estimates					
+16	If you can incorporate DC/AVC information alongside DB benefits	No	No	0.0	0.0	21%Yes
	Digital - secure - access					
	If members can access their data in a secure area:					
+20	Via the secure area on your website (i.e., they can see both main scheme					
	entitlement and any DC component in one place), or	No	No	0.0	0.0	21%Yes
+10	Via the secure area of a third-party provider's website (e.g., AVC provider)	Yes	Yes	10.0	10.0	79%Yes
	Digital - secure - functionality					
+5	If you can view the current market value of the account	No	No	0.0	0.0	86%Yes
+5	If you can view a summary of account activity for any time period	No	No	0.0	0.0	79%Yes
+5	If you can apply to join / start contributing	Yes	Yes	5.0	5.0	71%Yes
+5	If you can change contribution levels	Yes	Yes	5.0	5.0	71%Yes
+5	If you can change the options selected for new contributions	No	No	0.0	0.0	79%Yes
+5	If you can switch accumulated balances between investment options	No	No	0.0	0.0	86%Yes
100	Total			37.0	37.0	57.0

Feedback service score



Vulnerable members service score

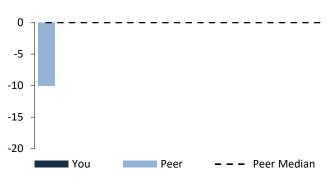


Complaints deduction

	Your deduction: 0, Peer median: 0					Trend in your score					
	0	0 -		0	()	0	0			
	-1 -	-1									
	-2 -	-2									
	-3 -	-3									
	-4 -	-4									
	-5 -	-5									
	-6 J Peer Peer Median	-6	2018	2019	20	20	2021	2022			
Scor	ing methodology			Your	Data	Your Do	eduction	Peer Med.			
				2022	2021	2022	2021	2022			
	Complaints										
	Total service related complaints (A)			95	134						
	Total members (active, deferred, and pensioners) (B)			297,331							
	Number of service related complaints per 1000 members	((A/B)/1	.000)	0.32	0.47			0.15			
-2	If service related complaints exceeded 2 per 1000 membe X # of service related complaints that exceeded 1 per 100 Your deduction will be -1.5 if 'unknown'.					0.00	0.00	0.00			
	Internal Dispute Resolution			2	_						
	Total IDR cases relating to service initiated in the year (C) Total members (actives, deferreds, and pensioners) (B)			2 297,331	5						
	Number of service related IDR cases per 1000 members ((C/B)/10	00) (D)		0.02			0.03			
-2	If service related IDR cases exceeded 1 per 1000 members # of service related complaints that exceeded 0.5 per 1000 Your deduction will be 1.5 if 'unknown'.					0.00	0.00	0.00			
	% of IDR cases that were upheld			0%	80%			18%			
-2	If the number of IDR cases was less than 0.05 per 1000 me there is no deduction, otherwise -2 x % of IDR cases uphel maximum deduction of 2.					0.00	0.00	0.00			
	Total deduction					0.0	0.0	0.0			

Data breaches deduction

Your deduction: 0, Peer median: 0



Scor	ing methodology	Your	Data	Your De	duction	Peer Med.
		2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
-10	Data breaches If one or more data breaches involving member data were reported to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) or other supervisory authority.	No	No	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total number of active members affected by a data breach (A) Total active members (B) Percentage of members affected by a data breach ((A/B)*100)		New 101,079 0.00			
-10	-1 x % of members affected by a data breach with a maximum deduction of 10.			-10.00	0.00	0.00
	Total deduction			0.0	0.0	0.0

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Service for deferred members

Total service score for deferred members	2
Trend	3
Components of deferred members:	
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 Feedback service score 	20
 Vulnerable members service score 	21
 Complaints deduction 	22
 Data breaches deduction 	23

Total service score for deferred members

Your total service score for deferred members was 66 out of 100. This was above the peer median of 63.



Your service score for deferred members is a weighted total of scores at an activity level, as follows:

		Servi	ce score	
			Peer	Higher/
Activity	Weight	You	median ¹	-lower ²
Pension Set Ups	10%	96	66	30
Benefit Statements	4%	68	58	10
Estimates	8%	45	100	-55
Newsletters and Campaigns	4%	59	59	0
Tracing Members	15%	88	91	-2
Meeting Members - Individuals	1%	0	0	0
Meeting Members - Groups	1%	0	23	-23
Telephone - Pre-Connection	7%	32	43	-11
Telephone - Capability	4%	90	87	3
Telephone - Outcomes	3%	66	65	1
Digital - Public	4%	78	78	0
Digital - Secure - Use	7%	86	85	2
Digital - Secure - Functionality	7%	29	72	-43
Digital - Social Media	4%	50	50	0
SLA	7%	65	68	-3
DC and AVCs	4%	27	56	-29
Feedback	4%	100	66	34
Vulnerable Members	6%	88	78	10
Deductions				
Complaints (up to 6 pts)	n/a	0	0	0
Data Breaches (up to 20 pts)	n/a	0	0	0
Weighted Total	100%	66	63	3

^{1.} The weighted total peer median service score for deferred members is the median of the weighted total for each peer. It will not equal the weighted sum of the peer median scores for each activity.

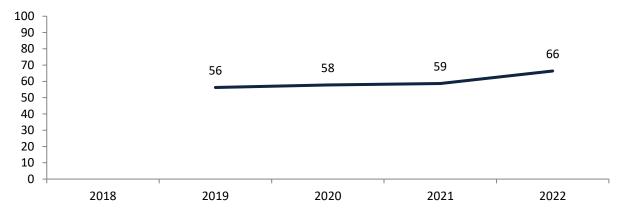
A full explanation of the scoring for each activity is contained in the pages that follow.

^{2.} Any minor differences are due to rounding.

Trend

Your service score for deferred members has increased by 7 points since you last benchmarked.



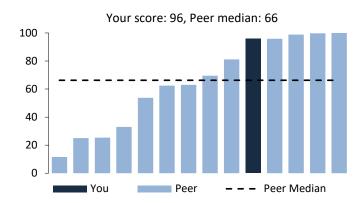


Trend in deferred member service scores by activity

	Your service score				Ch	ange		
Activity	Weight	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	1-Yr	3-Yr
Pension Set Ups	10%	96	99	100	99		-4	-4
Benefit Statements	4%	68	68	68	68		0	0
Estimates	8%	45	65	65	45		-20	0
Newsletters and Campaigns	4%	59	59	59	59		0	0
Tracing Members	15%	88	33	24	24		56	64
Meeting Members - Individuals	1%	0	0	0	0		0	0
Meeting Members - Groups	1%	0	0	0	0		0	0
Telephone - Pre-Connection	7%	32	58	58	59		-26	-27
Telephone - Capability	4%	90	90	90	87		0	3
Telephone - Outcomes	3%	66	66	66	66		0	0
Digital - Public	4%	78	78	78	78		0	0
Digital - Secure - Use	7%	86	39	31	36		48	51
Digital - Secure - Functionality	7%	29	31	31	29		-3	0
Digital - Social Media	4%	50	50	50	50		0	0
SLA	7%	65	65	79	79		0	-14
DC and AVCs	4%	27	27	27	27		0	0
Feedback	4%	100	100	100	100		0	0
Vulnerable Members	6%	88	88	88	88		0	0
Deductions								
Complaints (up to 6 pts)	n/a	0	0	0	0		0	0
Data Breaches (up to 20 pts)	n/a	0	0	0	0		0	0
Weighted total	100%	66	59	58	56		7	10

Historic scores have been restated to reflect changes in the methodology. If any question was not asked in a prior year then we used your response from the year when the question was first asked as a default. Where defaults are used, those defaults are applied historically to ensure year-on-year consistency. Any minor differences are due to rounding.

Pension set up service score





Scoring methodology	Your	Data	Your Score		Peer Med.
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022

Pensions Set up

+50 If 100% of your new pensions were paid without a cashflow interruption greater than 1 month, otherwise 50 X percent of first pension installment paid within 1 month of the member's intended retirement date *Score 12.5 if unknown*.

99.3% 99.0% 49.6 49.5 91.3%

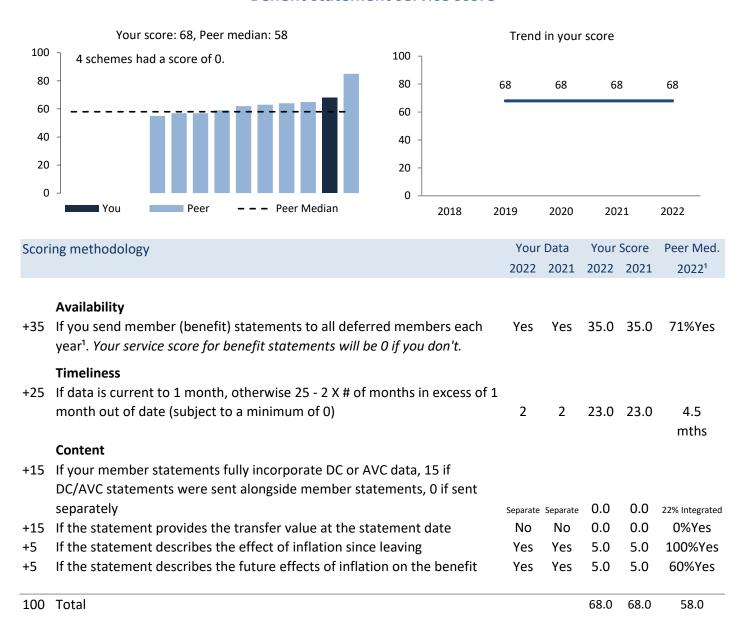
Pension Commencement Lump Sum (PCLS)

+50 if 100% of pension commencement lump sum payments were paid within one week of the individual's intended retirement date, otherwise 50 X % paid within a week

Score 12.5 if unknown 92.3% 99.9% 46.2 50.0 68.0%

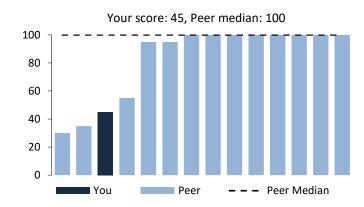
100 Total 95.8 99.5 66.3

Benefit statement service score



1. Peer median is the median amongst those that send benefit statements to deferred members.

Estimates service score





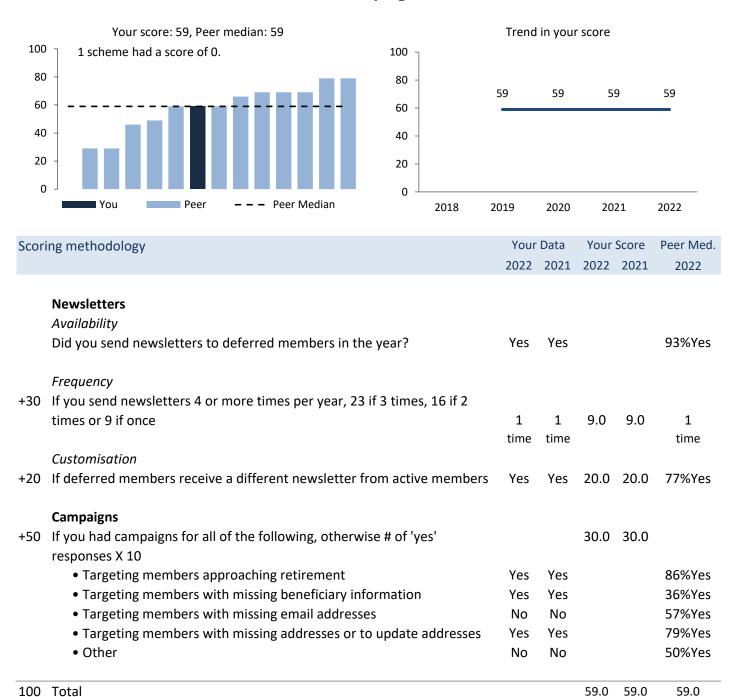
Scor	ing methodology	Your	Data	Your	Score	Peer Med.
		2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
+25	Printed estimates If you produce printed estimates on request from deferred members (as opposed to simply sending them a copy of their last benefit statement)	Yes	Yes	25.0	25.0	93%Yes
	Content of printed estimates					
+5	If you clearly address how the pension is inflation protected	Yes	Yes	5.0	5.0	85%Yes
+5	If you can show the benefits payable at different retirement ages	Yes	Yes	5.0	5.0	85%Yes
+5	If you can show Pension Commencement Lump Sum options as well as					
	the full, uncommuted pension	Yes	Yes	5.0	5.0	100%Yes
+5	If you can incorporate AVC information alongside main scheme benefits	Yes	Yes	5.0	5.0	77%Yes
	On-line estimates (calculators)					
+20	If you have an on-line calculator accessible by deferred members	No	Yes	0.0	20.0	79%Yes
+35	If the calculator is linked to the member's personal data (in a secure area)	n/a	No	0.0	0.0	100%Yes
	,	•				

100 Total

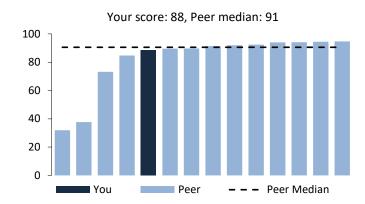
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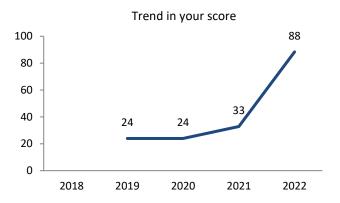
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Newsletters and campaigns service score



Tracing members service score





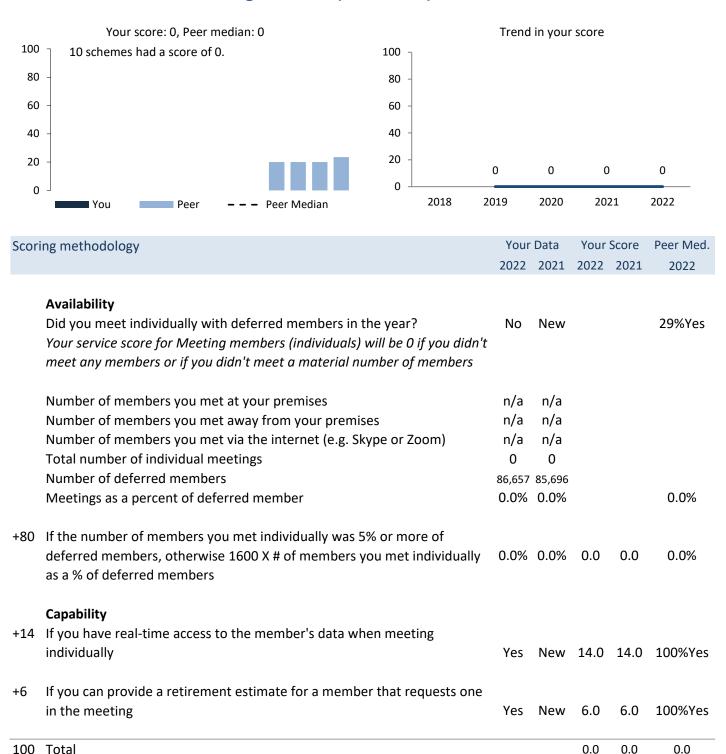
Scoring methodology		Your Data		Your Score		Peer Med.
		2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
+75	Current year 75 - 75 X % of deferred members that reached their normal retirement age in the year that have not received any benefits yet because mail has been returned and the member has been recorded as 'gone away' (subject to a minimum of 0). Your score will be 18 if unknown	0.1%	Unknown	74.9	18.0	1.1%
+10	10 x % of deferred members that you hold current email addresses for. <i>Your score will be 2.5 if unknown.</i>	0.3%	17.8%	0.0	1.8	42.6%
+10	$10\mathrm{x}$ % of deferred members that you hold current home addresses for. Your score will be 2.5 if unknown.	90.6%	87.4%	9.1	8.7	94.2%
+5	5 x % of Common Data assessed to be present and accurate for deferred members. <i>Your score will be 1 if unknown.</i>	86.5%	86.3%	4.3	4.3	97.3%

100 Total

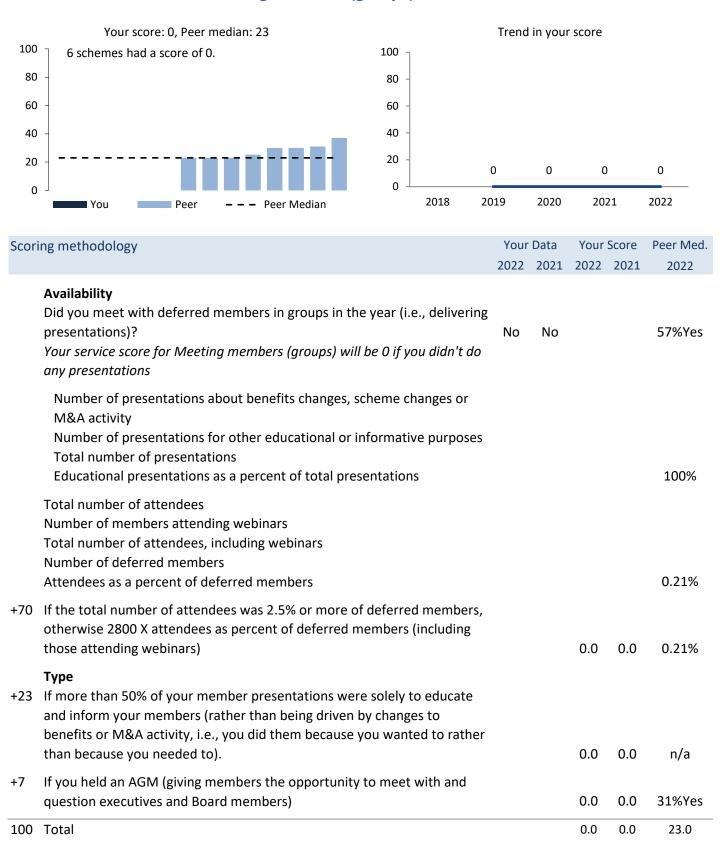
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90.5

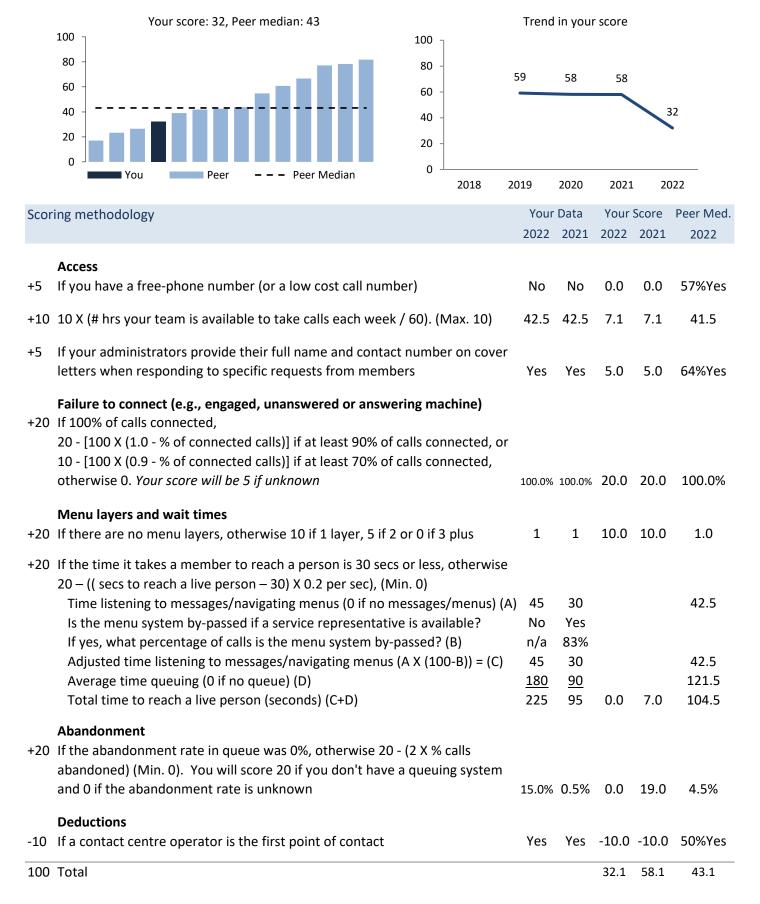
Meeting members (Individuals) service score



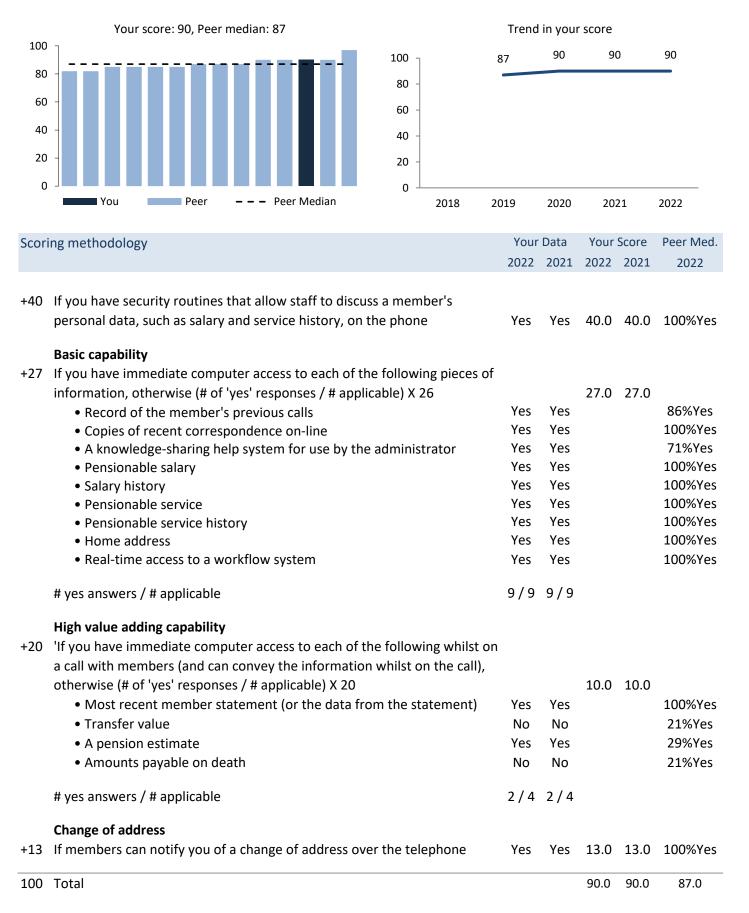
Meeting members (groups) service score



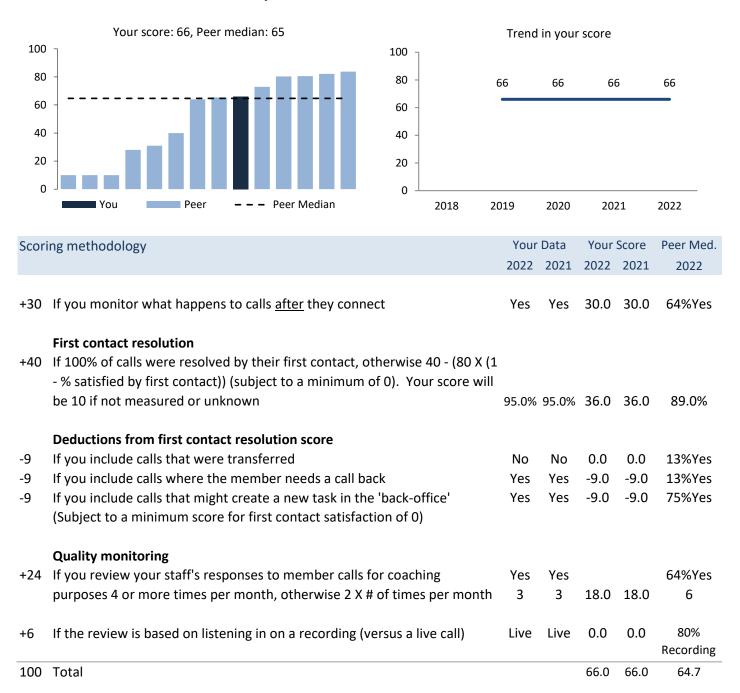
Telephone - pre-connection service score



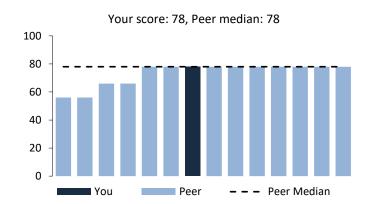
Telephone - capability service score

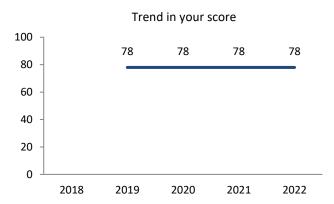


Telephone - outcomes service score



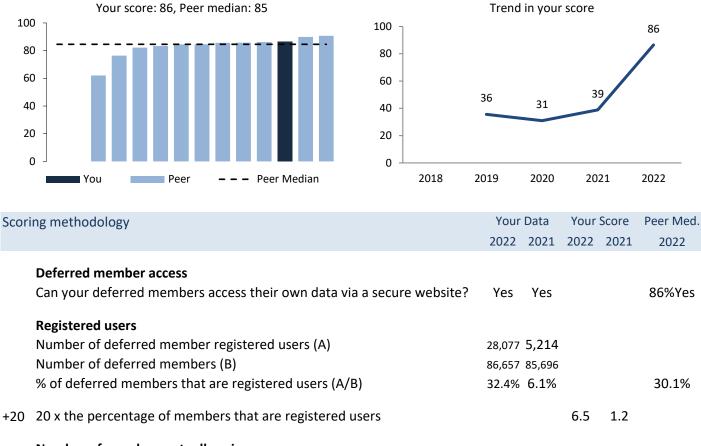
Digital - public service score





Scoring methodology		Your Data		Score	Peer Med.
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
Availability					
+10 If you have a website accessible by deferred members Your service score for Digital - Public will be 0 if you don't have a website	Yes	Yes	10.0	10.0	100%Yes
+22 If you have a mobile version of your website	Yes	Yes	22.0	22.0	86%Yes
+22 If you have a mobile app	No	No	0.0	0.0	0%Yes
Content					
+22 If all forms used by deferred members are available for download	Yes	Yes	22.0	22.0	100%Yes
+12 If member booklets are available to view or download	Yes	Yes	12.0	12.0	100%Yes
+12 If educational videos are available online	Yes	Yes	12.0	12.0	86%Yes
100 Total			78.0	78.0	78.0

Digital - secure - use service score



Number of members actually using your secure area

Number of deferreds that accessed the secure area in the year (A)	13,844 2,517	
Number of deferred members (B)	86,657 85,696	
% of deferreds that accessed the secure area in the past year (A/B)	16.0% 2.9%	15.1%

+60 If 10% or more of your deferred members accessed the secure area in the past year, otherwise 600 X % of deferred members that accessed the 16.0% 2.9% 60.0 17.6 secure area

Multiple logins

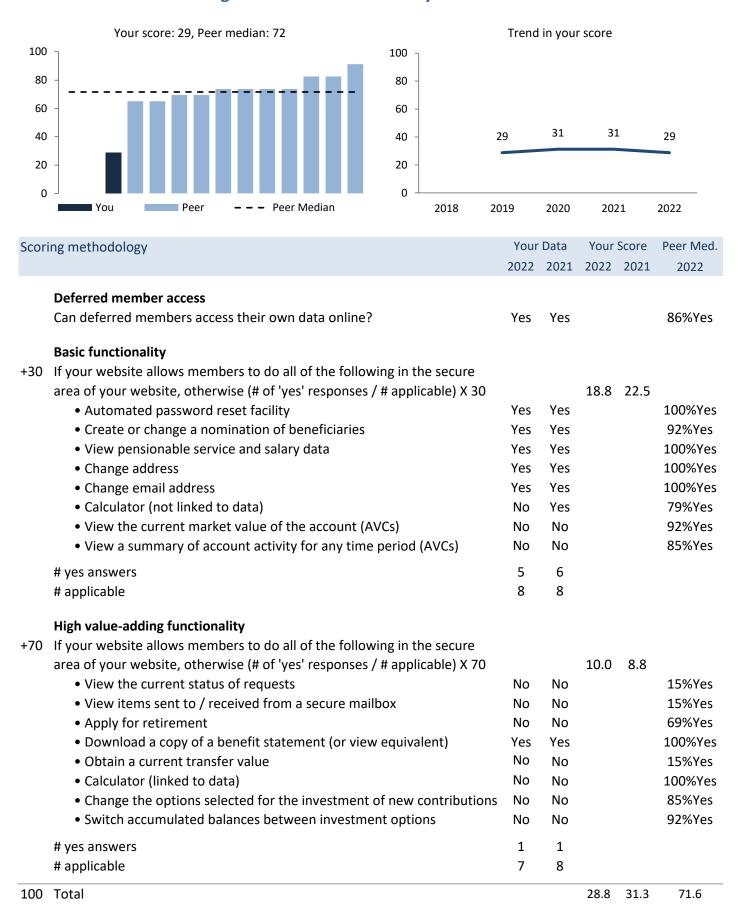
was unknown.

	Number of total visits by deferred members ¹ (C)	54,962	9,706			
	Number of deferred members that accessed the secure area in the year	13,844	2,517			
	Average number of visits made by each member that logged in (C/A) = D	4.0	3.9			3.7
+20	If the average user accessed the secure area 2 times in the year, otherwise (D/2) X 20. Your score will be 10 if the total number of logins			20.0	20.0	

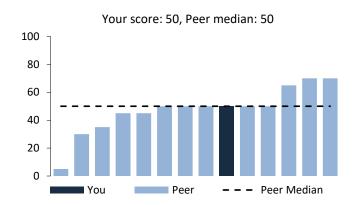
100 Total 86.5 38.8 84.6

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Digital - secure - functionality service score



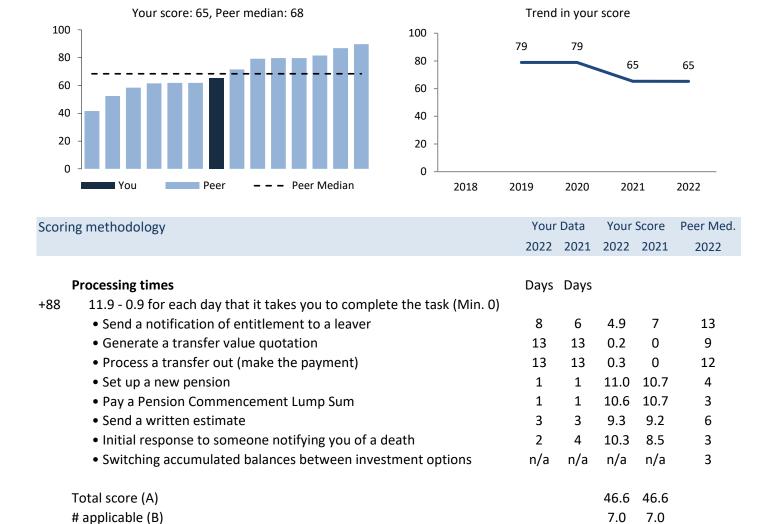
Digital - social media service score





Scori	ing methodology	Your	Data	Your	Score	Peer Med.
		2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
+15	Platforms If your scheme has a page on 3 or more social media platforms, 10 if 2 platforms, 5 if 1 platform	2	New	10	10	2
+60	Frequency If your scheme posts on average 10 times or more per month, 40 if posted 5 times or more per month, 20 if more than once a month	7	New	40	40	13
+25	Member interactions If your scheme responds to member interactions via social media on average within 1 hour, otherwise (25-5x) for each hour in excess of 1 hour (subject to a minimum of 0)	48	New	0	0	18
100	Total			50.0	50.0	50.0

SLA service score



potential (C)

100 Total

Adjusted total score (A x (C/B))

+12 If you communicate delays / status updates to members

8.0

12.0

65.2

Yes

Yes

8.0

12.0

65.3

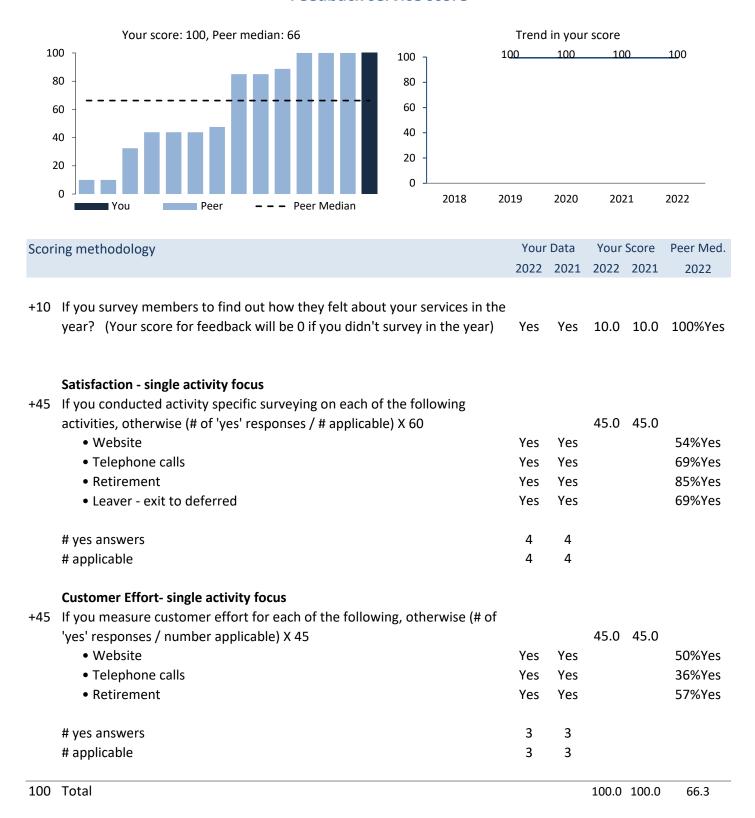
100%Yes

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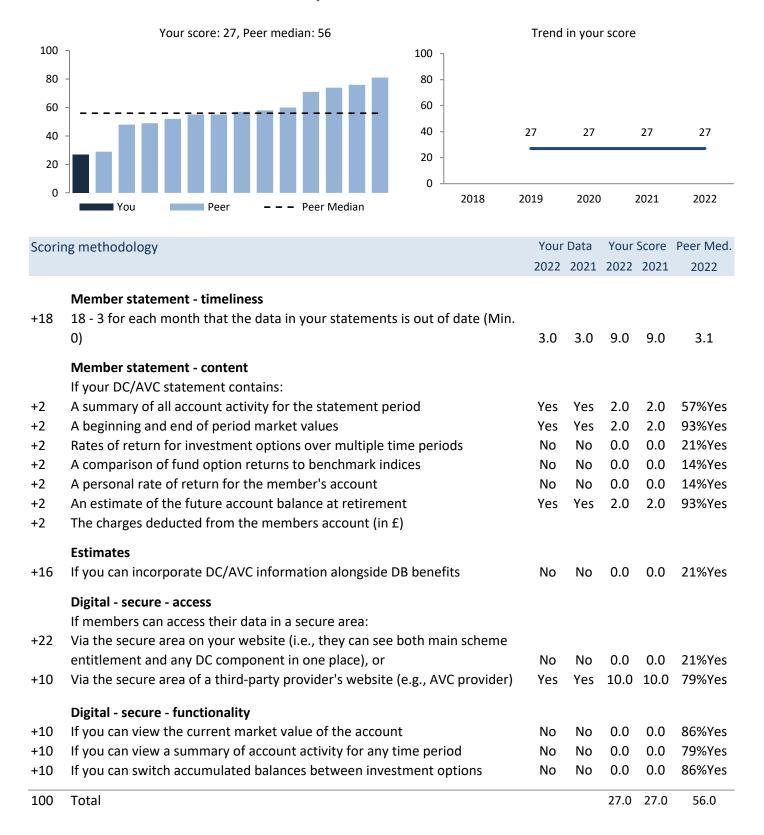
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^{*} Where a scheme was unable to supply actual average turnaround times, we have substituted a calculated turnaround based on target and % of cases processed inside the target: Refer to Section 3 - Total Service - Pages 7 and 8 for more details.

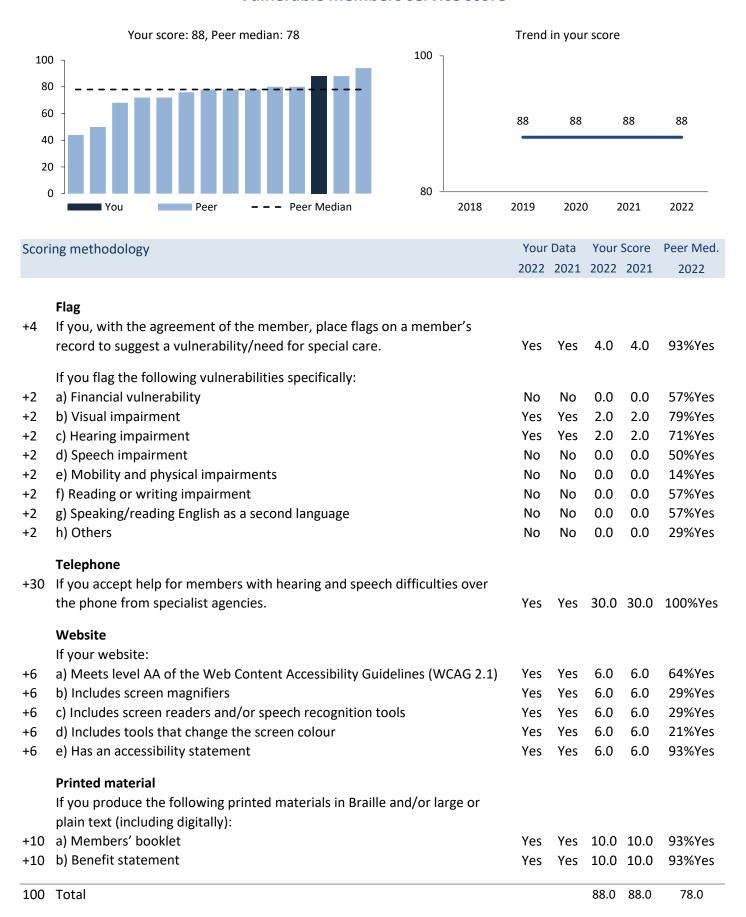
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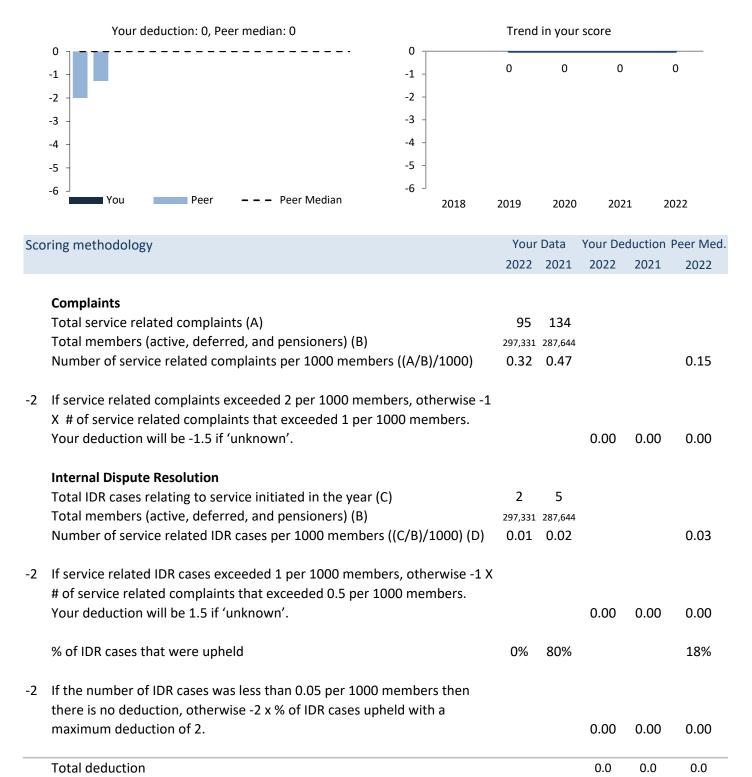
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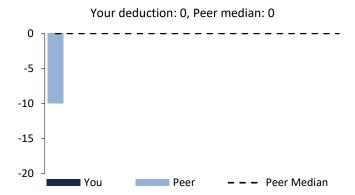
Vulnerable members service score



Complaints deduction



Data breaches deduction



Scoring methodology	Your	Your Data You		Your Deduction Peer		
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	
Data breaches -10 If one or more data breaches involving member data were reported to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) or other supervisory authority.	No	No	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Total number of deferred members affected by a data breach (A) Total deferred members (B) Percentage of members affected by a data breach ((A/B)*100)	•	New 85,696 New				
-10 -1 x % of members affected by a data breach with a maximum deduction of 10.			0.00	0.00	0.00	
Total deduction			0.0	0.0	0.0	

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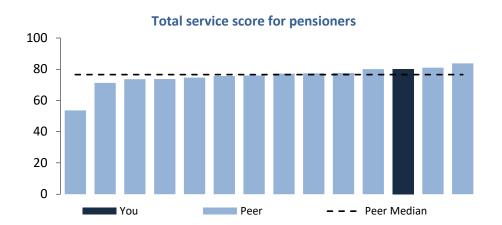
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Total service score for pensioners

Your total service score for pensioners was 80 out of 100. This was above the peer median of 77.



Your service score for pensioners is a weighted total of scores at an activity level, as follows:

	<u>Service score</u>						
			Peer	Higher/			
Activity	Weight	You	median ¹	-lower ²			
Pension Increases	20%	100	100	0			
P60s	10%	100	100	0			
Newsletters and Campaigns	4%	84	52	32			
Meeting Members - Individuals	1%	21	0	21			
Meeting Members - Groups	1%	0	0	0			
Telephone - Pre-Connection	8%	32	43	-11			
Telephone - Capability	4%	80	80	0			
Telephone - Outcomes	3%	66	65	1			
Digital - Public	5%	80	80	0			
Digital - Secure - Use	10%	89	85	4			
Digital - Secure - Functionality	9%	65	83	-18			
Digital - Social Media	4%	50	50	0			
SLA	7%	88	87	1			
Feedback	4%	100	40	60			
Vulnerable Members	10%	82	73	9			
Deductions							
Complaints (up to 6 pts)	n/a	0	0	0			
Data Breaches (up to 20 pts)	n/a	0	0	0			
Missed Payments (up to 65 pts)	n/a	0	0	0			
Total	100%	80	77	3			

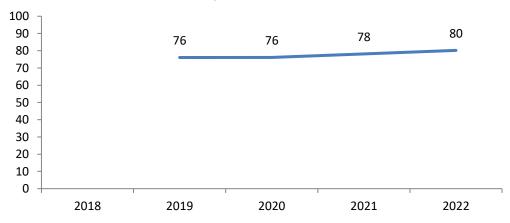
^{1.} The weighted total peer median service score for pensioners is the median of the weighted total for each peer. It will not equal the weighted sum of the peer median scores for each activity.

^{2.} Any minor differences are due to rounding.

Trend

Your service score for pensioners has increased by 2 points since you last benchmarked.



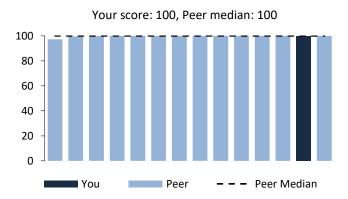


Trend in pensioner service scores by activity

	Your service score					Ch	nange	
Activity	Weight	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	1-Yr	3-Yr
Pension Increases	20%	100	100	100	100		0	0
P60s	10%	100	100	100	100		0	0
Newsletters and Campaigns	4%	84	72	52	52		12	32
Telephone - Pre-Connection	8%	32	58	58	59		-26	-27
Telephone - Capability	4%	80	80	80	75		0	5
Telephone - Outcomes	3%	66	66	66	66		0	0
Digital - Public	5%	80	80	80	80		0	0
Digital - Secure - Use	10%	89	52	40	41		37	48
Digital - Secure - Functionality	9%	65	65	65	65		0	0
Digital - Social Media	4%	50	50	50	50		0	0
SLA	7%	88	89	88	88		-1	0
Feedback	4%	100	100	100	100		0	0
Vulnerable Members	10%	82	82	82	82		0	0
Deductions								
Complaints (up to 6 pts)	n/a	0	0	0	0		0	0
Data Breaches (up to 20 pts)	n/a	0	0	0	0		0	0
Missed Payments (up to 65 pts)	n/a	0	0	0	0		0	0
Weighted Total	98%	80	78	76	76		2	4

Historic scores have been restated to reflect changes in the methodology. If any question was not asked in a prior year then we used your response from the year when the question was first asked as a default. Where defaults are used, those defaults are applied historically to ensure year-on-year consistency. Any minor differences are due to rounding.

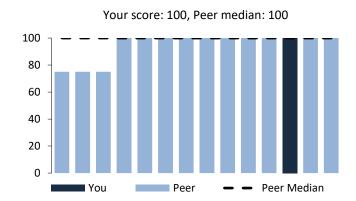
Pension increases service score





Scori	ing methodology	Vour	Data	Vour	Score	Peer Med.
30011	ing methodology		2021			2022
	Increasing pensions at the right time Were any pension increases late in the year (i.e., after the date the increase should have taken effect)?	No	No			29%Yes
+50	If there were no late pension increases in the year, otherwise 50 - (% of pensioners affected X average number of months late)			50.0	50.0	
	How many pensioners were affected? (A) Total number of pensioners? (B) % of pensioners affected (A/B) On average, how many months late were the increases?	n/a 104,710 0% n/a	n/a 100,869 0% n/a			0% 2
+50	Increasing pensions by the right amount If no pensions were increased by the wrong amount in the year, otherwise 50 - (% of pensioners affected X average number of months to correct the error)			50.0	50.0	
	How many pensioners were affected? (A) Total number of pensioners? (B) % of pensioners affected (A/B) How long on average, in months, did it take you to correct the errors?	n/a ^{104,710} 0% n/a	n/a 100,869 0% n/a			449.5 100,523 0% 2
100	Your total score			100.0	100.0	100.0

P60 service score

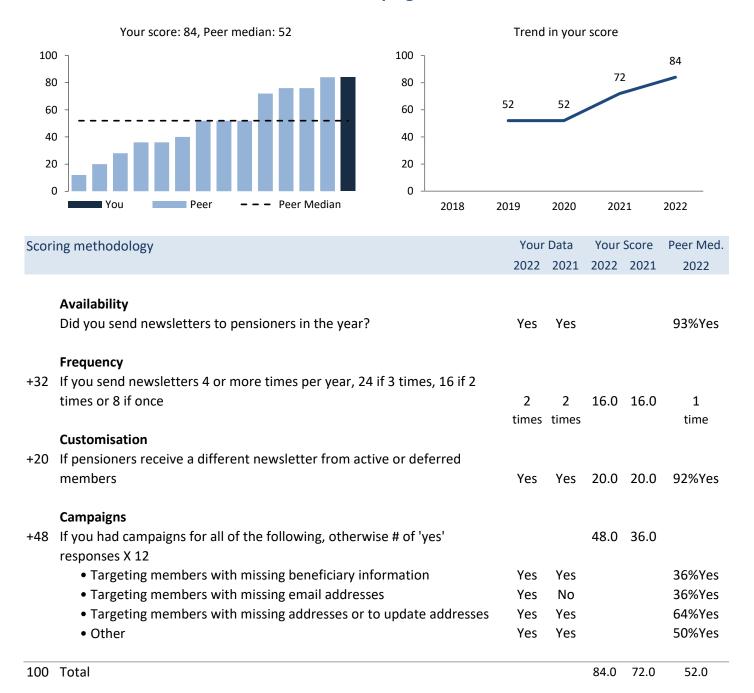




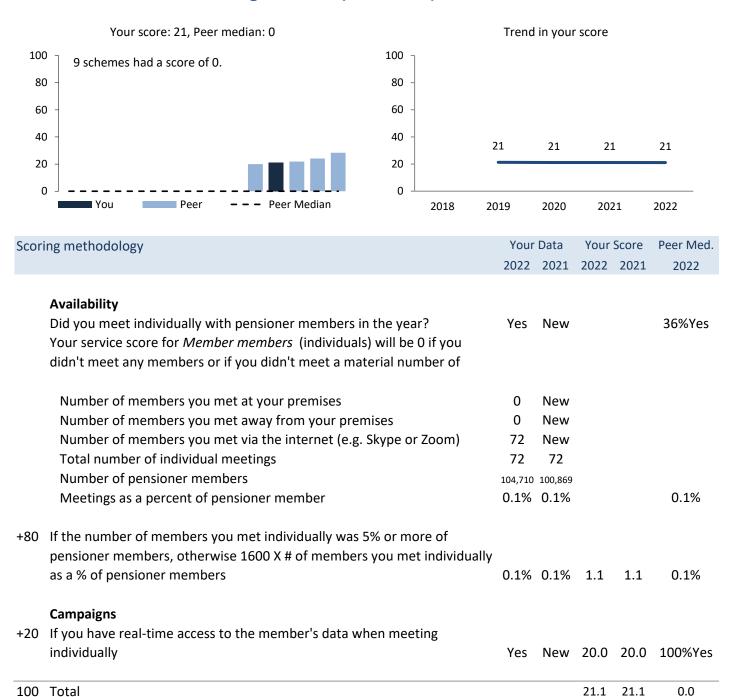
Scoring methodology	Your Data		Your Score		Peer Med.
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
Timeliness					
On what date were the bulk of your P60s issued in the year?	05/04	16/04			

	00 if issued before 30th April 5 if issued between 1 st and 31 st May Otherwise 0	100	100	79%Yes 21%Yes 0%Yes
100	Your total score	100	100	100

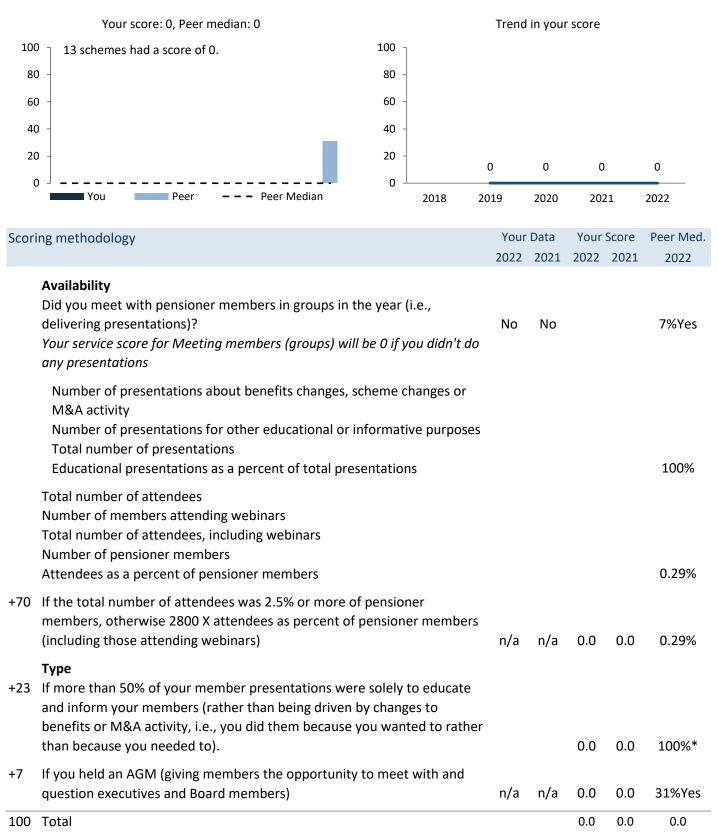
Newsletters and campaigns service score



Meeting members (individuals) service score

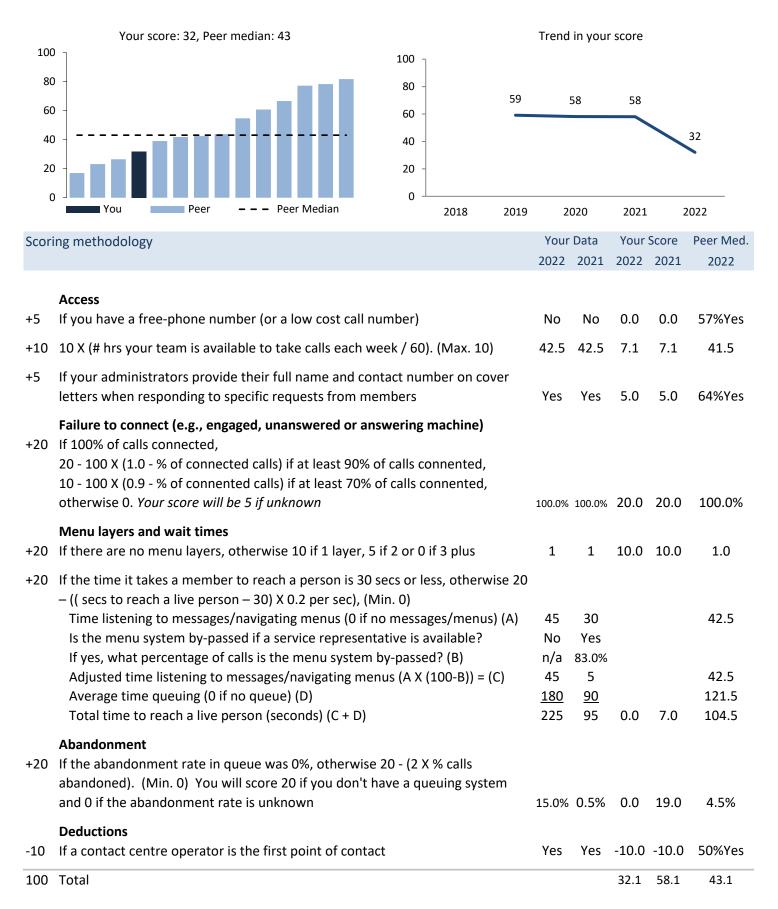


Meeting members (groups) service score

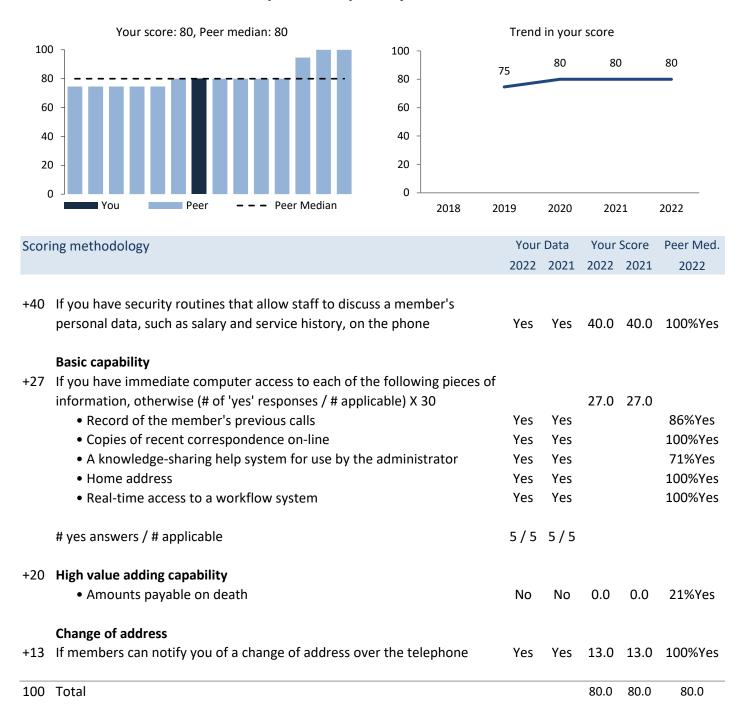


^{*} Peer median percentage of presentations that were solely to educate.

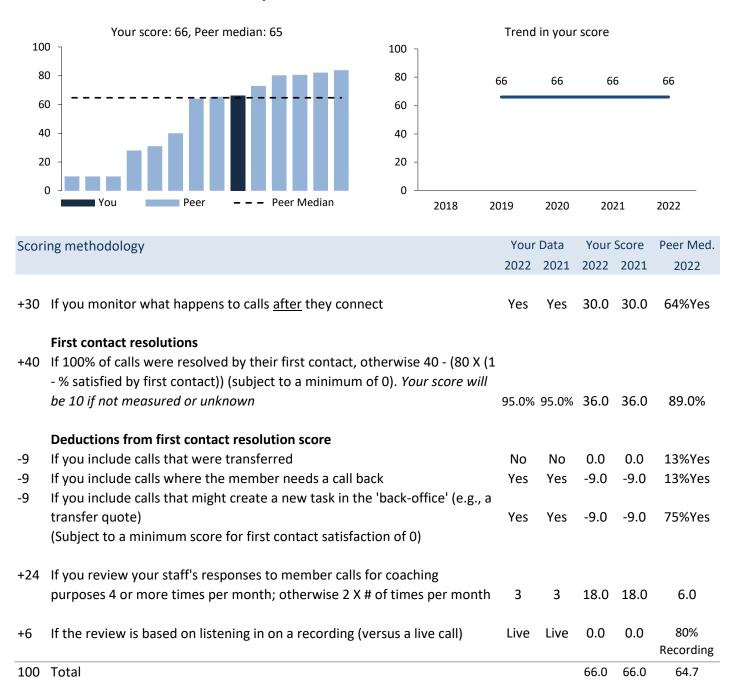
Telephone - pre-connection service score



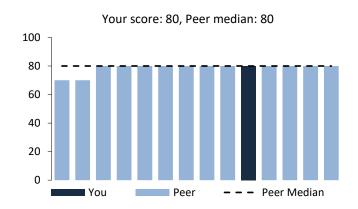
Telephone - capability service score

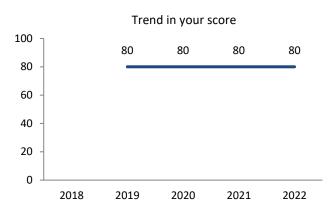


Telephone - outcomes service score



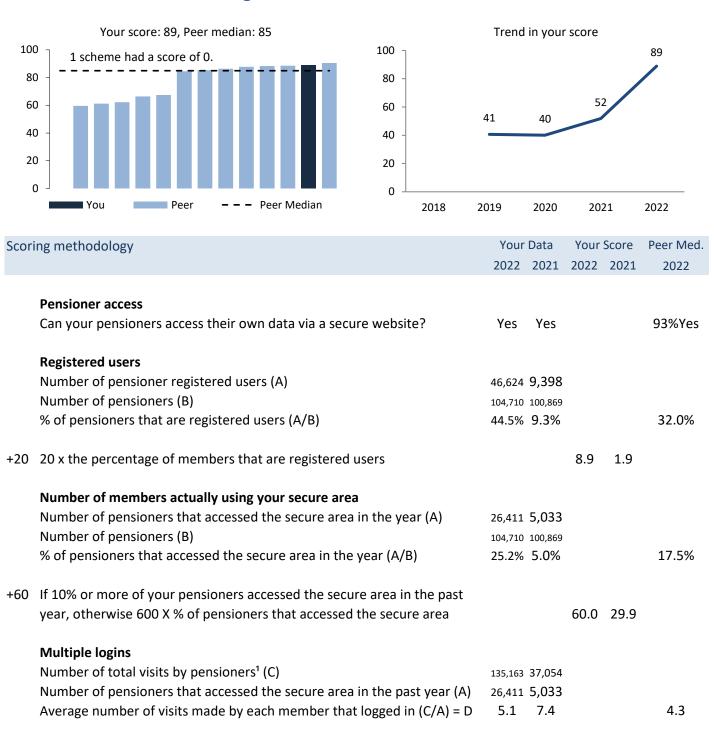
Digital - public service score





Scoring methodology	Your	Data	Your	Score	Peer Med.
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
Availability					
+40 If you have a website accessible by pensioners	Yes	Yes	40.0	40.0	100%Yes
Your service score for Digital - Public will be 0 if you don't have a website					
+10 If you have a mobile version of your website	Yes	Yes	10.0	10.0	86%Yes
+20 If you have a mobile app	No	No	0.0	0.0	0%Yes
Tools and features					
+30 If all forms used by pensioners are available for download	Yes	Yes	30.0	30.0	100%Yes
130 If all forms asea by pensioners are available for download	163	163	50.0	50.0	100/0163
100 Total			80.0	80.0	80.0

Digital - secure - use service score



+20 If the average user accessed the secure area 2 times in the year,

100 Total

otherwise (D/2) X 20

20.0 20.0

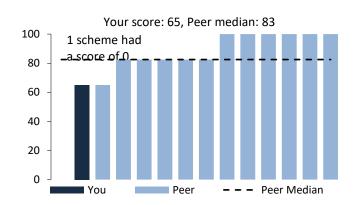
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88.9

^{1.} CEM does not have the split of registered users and total logins between active, deferred and pensioners for every scheme for every year. We therefore assume that the number of users in each instance is directly proportional to the split of active, deferred and pensioners logging-on. If we do not have the split of logins then we use the split of membership as a proxy.

Digital - secure - functionality service score





Scoring methodology	Your Data		Your Score		Peer Med.
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
Basic functionality					
+30 If your website allows members to do all of the following in the secure					

area of your website, otherwise (# of 'yes' responses / # applicable) X 30			30.0	30.0		
 Automated password reset facility 	Yes	Yes			100%Yes	
Change address	Yes	Yes			100%Yes	
Change email address	Yes	Yes			100%Yes	
# yes answers	3	3				
# applicable	3	3				

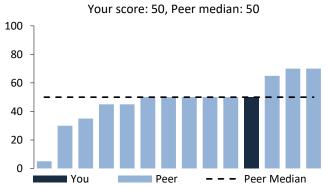
High value-adding functionality

+70 If your website allows members to do all of the following in the secure area of your website, otherwise (# of 'yes' responses / # applicable) X 70

	area of your website, otherwise (# of 'yes' responses / # applicable) X 70			35.0	35.0	
	 View pension payment details (i.e., gross amounts, deductions) 	Yes	Yes			100%Yes
	 Change bank account information 	No	No			77%Yes
	 Download or print duplicate P60s 	Yes	Yes			100%Yes
	 View items sent to / received from a secure mailbox 	No	No			54%Yes
	# yes answers	2	2			
	# applicable	4	4			
100	Total			65.0	65.0	82.5

^{*} Score of 0 if pensioners cannot access their own data

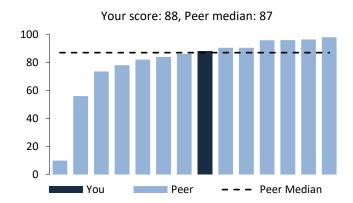
Digital - social media service score





	(subject to a minimum of 0)						
+25	If your scheme responds to member interactions via social med average within 1 hour, otherwise (25-5x) for each hour in exces		48	New	0	0	18.4
	5 times or more per month, 20 if more than once a month Member Interaction						
+60	Frequency If your scheme posts on average 10 times or more per month, 4	0 if posted	7	New	40	40	13.3
+15	If your scheme has a page on 3 or more social media platforms, platforms, 5 if 1 platform	10 if 2	2	New	10	10	1.7
	Platforms						
Scor	ing methodology		Your 2022	2021	2022	Score 2021	Peer Med. 2022
	reel – – reel Median	2018	2019	2020		021	2022

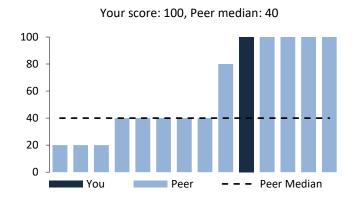
SLA service score





100	Total			87.9	88.7	87.0		
+10	If you communicate delays / status updates to members	Yes	Yes	10.0	10.0	100%Yes		
	Adjusted total score (A x (C/B))			77.9	78.7			
	# potential (C)			3.0	3.0			
	# applicable (B)			2.0	3.0			
	Total score (A)			52.0	78.7			
	 Initial response to someone notifying you of a death claim 	2	4	28.3	24.4	3		
	Respond to tax queries	n/a	2	n/a	28.7	3		
	 Pay lump sums on death (within any guarantee period) 	4	3	23.6	25.5	6		
+90	32 - 2 for each day that it takes you to complete the task* (min 0)							
	Number of targets	Days	Days					
		2022	2021	2022	2021	2022		
50011	ing incurrously		2021	2022		Peer Med. 2022		
Scoring methodology Your Data Your								

Feedback service score





Scoring methodology	Your	Your Data		Score	Peer Med.
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022

+20 If you survey members to find out how they felt about your services in the year?

Yes Yes 20.0 20.0 100%Yes

40.0 40.0

Your score for Satisfaction surveying will be 0 if you did not survey in the year

Satisfaction - single activity focus

+40 If you conducted activity specific surveying on each of the following activities, otherwise (# of 'yes' responses / # applicable) X 60

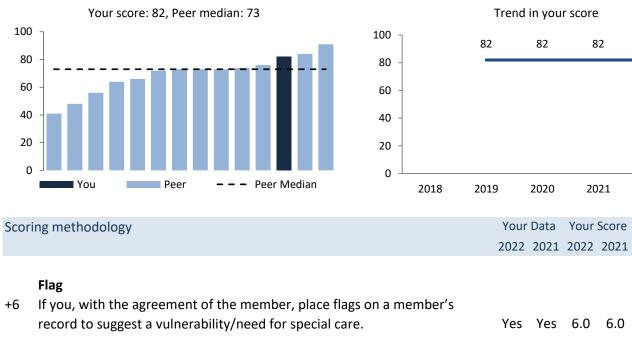
activities, otherwise (# of 'yes' responses / # applicable) X 60			40.0	40.0	
• Website	Yes	Yes			54%Yes
Telephone calls	Yes	Yes			69%Yes
# yes answers	2	2			
# applicable	2	2			

Customer Effort

+40 If you measure customer effort for each of the following, otherwise (# of 'yes' responses / number applicable) X 24:

	 Website 	Yes	Yes		50%Yes
	Telephone calls	Yes	Yes		36%Yes
	# yes answers	2	2		
	# applicable	2	2		
100	Total			100.0 100.0	40.0

Vulnerable members service score



If you, with the agreement of the member, place flags on a member's					
record to suggest a vulnerability/need for special care.	Yes	Yes	6.0	6.0	93%Yes
If you flag the following vulnerabilities specifically:					
a) Financial vulnerability	No	No	0.0	0.0	57%Yes
b) Visual impairment	Yes	Yes	3.0	3.0	79%Yes
c) Hearing impairment	Yes	Yes	3.0	3.0	71%Yes
d) Speech impairment	No	No	0.0	0.0	50%Yes
e) Mobility and physical impairments	No	No	0.0	0.0	14%Yes
f) Reading or writing impairment	No	No	0.0	0.0	57%Yes
g) Speaking/reading English as a second language	No	No	0.0	0.0	57%Yes
h) Others	No	No	0.0	0.0	29%Yes
Telephone					
If you accept help for members with hearing and speech difficulties over					
the phone from specialist agencies.	Yes	Yes	35.0	35.0	100%Yes
Website					
If your website:					
a) Meets level AA of the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG 2.1)	Yes	Yes	7.0	7.0	64%Yes
b) Includes screen magnifiers	Yes	Yes	7.0	7.0	29%Yes
c) Includes screen readers and/or speech recognition tools	Yes	Yes	7.0	7.0	29%Yes
d) Includes tools that change the screen colour	Yes	Yes	7.0	7.0	21%Yes
e) Has an accessibility statement					
	If you flag the following vulnerabilities specifically: a) Financial vulnerability b) Visual impairment c) Hearing impairment d) Speech impairment e) Mobility and physical impairments f) Reading or writing impairment g) Speaking/reading English as a second language h) Others Telephone If you accept help for members with hearing and speech difficulties over the phone from specialist agencies. Website If your website: a) Meets level AA of the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG 2.1) b) Includes screen magnifiers c) Includes screen readers and/or speech recognition tools	record to suggest a vulnerability/need for special care. If you flag the following vulnerabilities specifically: a) Financial vulnerability No b) Visual impairment Yes c) Hearing impairment Yes d) Speech impairment No e) Mobility and physical impairments No f) Reading or writing impairment No g) Speaking/reading English as a second language No h) Others Telephone If you accept help for members with hearing and speech difficulties over the phone from specialist agencies. Yes Website If your website: a) Meets level AA of the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG 2.1) Yes b) Includes screen magnifiers Yes c) Includes screen readers and/or speech recognition tools	record to suggest a vulnerability/need for special care. If you flag the following vulnerabilities specifically: a) Financial vulnerability No No b) Visual impairment Yes Yes c) Hearing impairment Yes Yes d) Speech impairment No No e) Mobility and physical impairments No No f) Reading or writing impairment No No g) Speaking/reading English as a second language No No h) Others Telephone If you accept help for members with hearing and speech difficulties over the phone from specialist agencies. Yes Yes Website If your website: a) Meets level AA of the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG 2.1) Yes Yes b) Includes screen magnifiers Yes Yes c) Includes screen readers and/or speech recognition tools Yes Yes	record to suggest a vulnerability/need for special care. If you flag the following vulnerabilities specifically: a) Financial vulnerability No No 0.0 b) Visual impairment Yes Yes 3.0 c) Hearing impairment No No 0.0 d) Speech impairment No No 0.0 e) Mobility and physical impairments No No 0.0 f) Reading or writing impairment No No 0.0 g) Speaking/reading English as a second language No No 0.0 h) Others Telephone If you accept help for members with hearing and speech difficulties over the phone from specialist agencies. Yes Yes 35.0 Website If your website: a) Meets level AA of the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG 2.1) b) Includes screen magnifiers Yes 7.0 c) Includes screen readers and/or speech recognition tools Yes Yes 7.0	record to suggest a vulnerability/need for special care. If you flag the following vulnerabilities specifically: a) Financial vulnerability b) Visual impairment c) Yes Yes 3.0 3.0 c) Hearing impairment d) Yes Yes 3.0 3.0 d) Speech impairment No No No 0.0 0.0 e) Mobility and physical impairments No No No 0.0 0.0 f) Reading or writing impairment No No No 0.0 0.0 g) Speaking/reading English as a second language No No No No 0.0 0.0 f) Others Telephone If you accept help for members with hearing and speech difficulties over the phone from specialist agencies. Telephone If your website: a) Meets level AA of the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG 2.1) b) Includes screen magnifiers Yes Yes 7.0 7.0 c) Includes screen readers and/or speech recognition tools

100 Total

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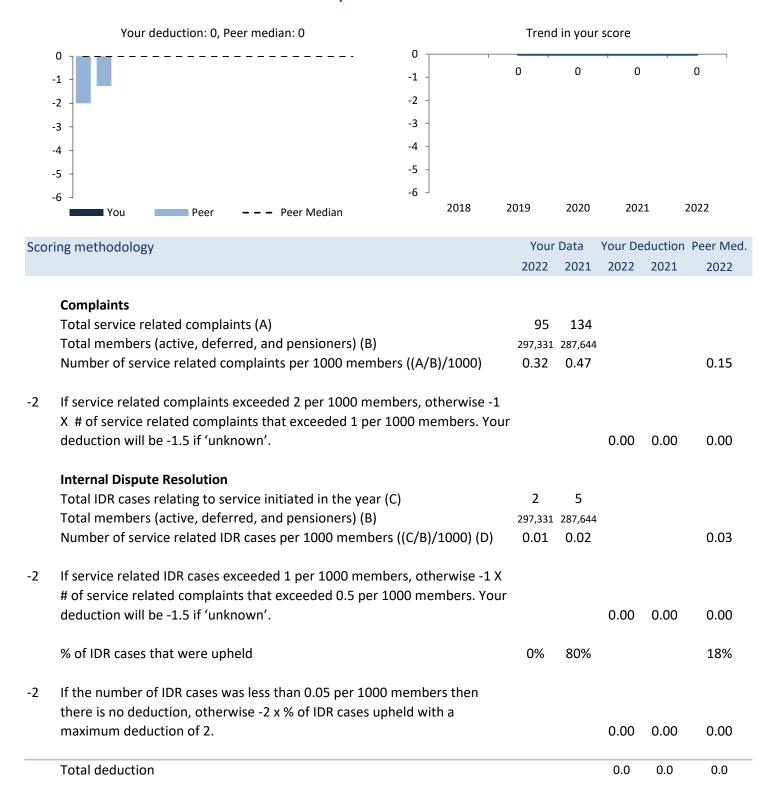
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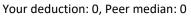
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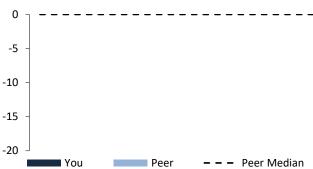
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Complaints deduction



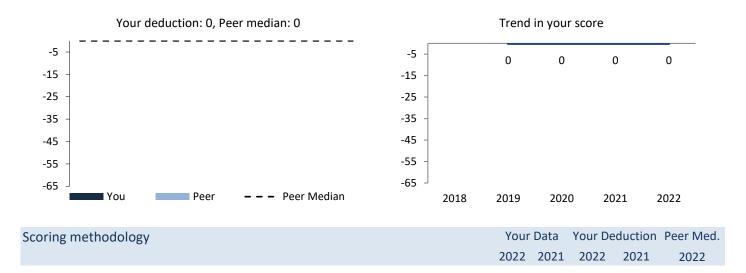
Data breaches deduction





Scor	ing methodology	Your	Data	Your De	eduction	Peer Med.
		2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
-10	Data breaches If one or more data breaches involving member data were reported to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) or other supervisory authority.	No	No	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total number of pensioners affected by a data breach (A) Total pensioners (B) Percentage of members affected by a data breach ((A/B)*100)	0 104,710 0.00	New 100,869 New			
-10	-1 x % of members affected by a data breach with a maximum deduction of 10.			0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total deduction			0.0	0.0	0.0

Missed payments deduction



Paying on time

No deduction if none of your pension payrolls were late vis-à-vis your normal payment cycle.

-65 Otherwise a deduction of 15 X number of late payrolls x average days late X % of pensioners affected, subject to a minimum 10 point deduction and maximum 65 point deduction.

Were any payrolls late?	No	No			0%Yes
How many payrolls were late?	n/a	n/a			
On average how late were they (days)?	n/a	n/a			
How many pensioners were affected? (A)	n/a	n/a			
Total number of pensioners? (B)	104,710	100,869			
% of pensioners affected (A/B)	0%	0%			0%
Total deduction			0.0	0.0	0.0

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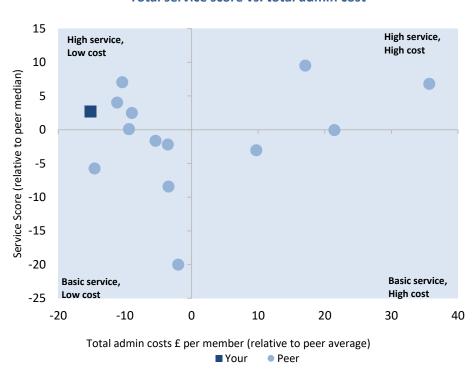
Cost effectiveness

Cost effectiveness 2

Cost effectiveness

You were positioned in the high service, low cost quadrant on the CEM cost effectiveness graph.

If you pay more for pension administration, do you get more? We answer this question by positioning each peer on our signature 'cost effectiveness graph'. There is no single right answer about where you should be positioned on the graph. In practice, your operational strategy should focus on delivering services that are appropriate for your members within a budget that is right for your scheme.



Total service score vs. total admin cost

'Your peers' costs are scaled as if your peers had the same membership as you.

Your positioning on the graph is based on the following data:

- Your total service score was 2 points higher than the peer median.
- Your administration cost was £15.13 per member lower than the adjusted peer average.

Some caution is needed in interpreting this graph because:

- Employer service is excluded.
- Different schemes are at different stages in the investment cycle and service improvements don't always arrive immediately following investment.
- Our Total Member Service Score may not reflect your scheme's views on what is important.
- There are other factors that impact on where you are positioned.

Our research suggests a low correlation between cost and service (according to the CEM scale). It should therefore be possible to increase your service score without a corresponding increase in costs. We suggest that schemes focus on service improvements that can be implemented cost effectively. We also suggest benchmarking regularly as a means to monitor progress over time.

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Introduction

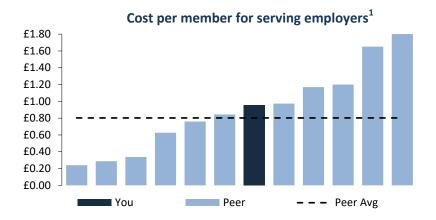
Your administration team serves two groups of 'clients' – members and employers.

We do not calculate a single overarching score for employer service as we believe that different employers have different needs. A model that is right for a small number of large employers will not necessarily work for a large number of small employers.

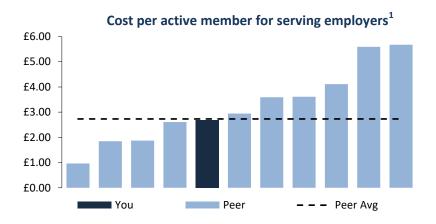
We can compare in some areas however, e.g., website. In those areas where we believe it makes sense to compare service levels we do. In other areas we don't believe there is necessarily a right or wrong answer, e.g., the approach to the collection of data. In most instances the administrator / employer relationship will have developed in a way that makes sense in that particular context.

Cost

Your cost per member for serving employers was £0.96. The peer average was £0.80. Your cost was calculated by dividing your cost for serving employers of £284,710 by your total members of 297,331.

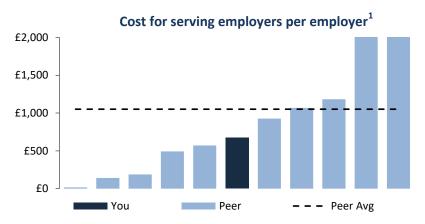


Your cost per active member for serving employers was £2.69. The peer average was £2.73. This was calculated by dividing your cost for serving employers of £284,710 by your total active members of 105,964.

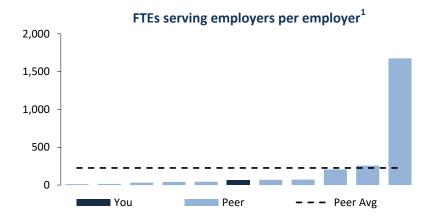


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Your cost per employer was £673. The peer average was £1,051. This was calculated by dividing your cost for serving employers of £284,710 by your total employers of 423.



You have 63 employers for every FTE whose job it is to serve employers. The peer average was 226. This was calculated by dividing your total employers of 423 by your FTEs serving employers of 6.7.



Notes:

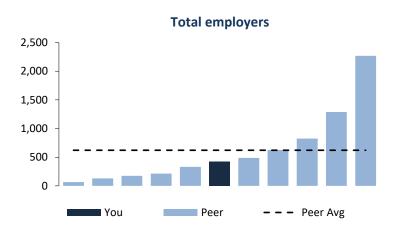
- 'Serving employers' includes:
 - Attending to regular enquiries from employers.
 - Interacting with employers on data /contribution issues or who fail to make payments in a timely manner.
 - Running workshops or presentations for employers.
 - Face-to-face meetings with employers / payroll teams to educate them on the operation of the scheme.
- For the purposes of these cost comparisons, serving employers does not include routine contribution and data collection, validation etc.
- Not all peers breakdown their costs for us at a level that enables us to quantify the costs of serving employers.
- The costs compared exclude attributions of overheads such as accommodation, IT, HR etc.

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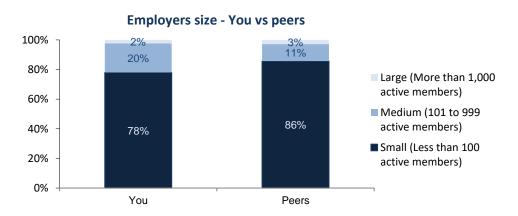
Employer characteristics

It is helpful to understand the demographics of your base of employers and how this compares with peers.

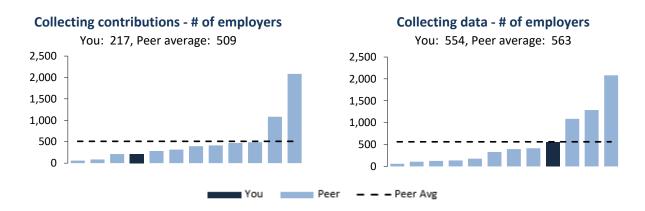
You serve 423 employers in total. Amongst your peers the average number of employers is 621.



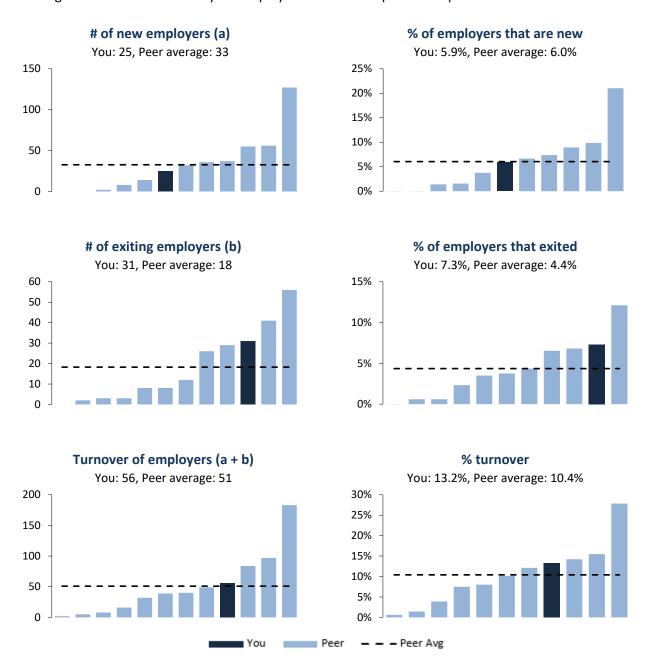
A lower proportion of your employers are small (below 100 active members) compared with your peers.



You may serve lots of employers, but not all of them will necessarily supply data or submit contributions. You collect contributions from 217 employers (peer average 509 employers). You collect data from 554 employers (peer average 563 employers).



Employers joining and leaving your scheme cause a lot of work. Payroll and HR teams need to be trained to supply data in the right manner. Here is how your employer turnover compares with peers.



Data collection and validation

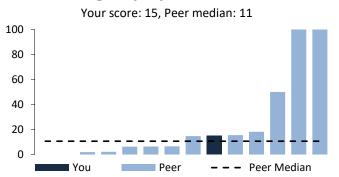
	You	Peers	Count
How often do you collect salary and / or contribution data?			
a) Continuously (e.g., real time access)	No	8% Yes	12
b) Weekly	No	0% Yes	12
c) Monthly	Yes	75% Yes	12
d) Varies by employer	No	17% Yes	12
e) Other	No	8% Yes	12
Is salary and contribution data submitted by employers electronically rejected if			
there are any errors, missing data or anomalies?	Yes	91% Yes	11
If yes, and if there are errors/missing data/anomalies:			
a) Is the entire data set is rejected? Or	Yes	50% Yes	10
b) Are only items with errors or missing data rejected?	No	50% Yes	10
c) Are flags raised against anomalous data?	No	73% Yes	11
Is other member data (new members, leavers) submitted by employers			
electronically rejected if there are any errors, missing data or anomalies?	No	75% Yes	12
If yes, and if there are errors/missing data/anomalies:			
a) Is the entire data set is rejected? Or	n/a	33% Yes	9
b) Are only items with errors or missing or anomalies rejected?	n/a	78% Yes	9
c) Are flags raised against anomalous data?	n/a	78% Yes	9
Do you have a process for chasing missing contributions?	Yes	100% Yes	12
If yes, does the escalation include:			
a) Emails	Yes	100% Yes	12
b) Telephone calls	Yes	100% Yes	12
c) Personal visits to the employer	Yes	75% Yes	12
Do you reconcile incoming contribution data with expected contributions (per			
data) at a member level?			
a) Continuously (e.g., with real time data)	No	8% Yes	12
b) Weekly	No	8% Yes	12
c) Monthly	Yes	67% Yes	12
d) Annually	Yes	42% Yes	12
e) Varies by employer	No	33% Yes	12
f) Other (please describe)	No	17% Yes	12
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Client Relationship Management

	You	Peers	Count
How many Client Relationship Managers (CRMs) do you have on your team that are dedicated to serving employers?	5	Avg: 5.8 Med: 6.0	12
Number of employers that have an identified CRM?	423		12
Percentage of employers that have an identified CRM	100%	Avg: n/a	11
Do the CRMs complete site visits to employers?	Yes	82% Yes	11
Number of client service visits that your team completed (to see employers rather than members - including presentations)	6	Avg: 255.33	12
Site visits as a % of employers	1.4%	Avg: 4115% Med: 7%	12
What is the normal first point of contact for employers telephoning with			
questions: a) Dedicated Client Relationship Managers (CRMs) - every employer has an identified CRM?	Yes	45% Yes	11
b) The largest employers have dedicated CRMs, smaller employers are serviced by a pool of administrators or contact center agents?	No	25% Yes	12
c) Specialist teams dedicated to specific employer subsets/types? d) All calls are handled by a pool of administrators or contact center	No	36% Yes	11
representatives that take: d1) Both employer and member calls?	No	27% Yes	11
d2) Employer calls only?	Yes	45% Yes	11
Do you have a dedicated employer contact number (i.e., separate from the contact number for members)? If the employer has a dedicated CRM who is the main point of contact, this would be classed as having a dedicated employer contact number.	Yes	82% Yes	11
How many employer focused newsletters did you issue in the year?	12	Avg: 14.5 Med: 8.5	12
Do you send employers 'bulletins' (or similar) about changes in processes?	Yes	100% Yes	12

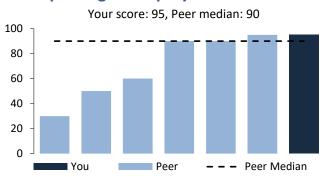
Percentages, averages and medians are only calculated for peers that answer yes or >0, i.e., the data only relates to applicable peers designated by the count.

Meeting employers service score



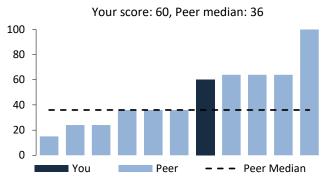
Scoring methodology		Your data 2022	Your score 2022	Peers 2022
# of client service visits that your team complerather than members - including presentation		6		Avg: 255 Med: 29
# of employer events that you hosted to train raise awareness of your services or answer qu	• •	55		Avg: 21 Med: 12
# of employer events that you attended wher booth. (C)	e you had a stand or	2		Avg: 0 Med: 0
# of employer focus groups or employer advis discuss new initiatives, required improvement attended. (D)		0		Med: 1.5
# of other employer events / forums attended	l. (E)	0		Avg: 3 Med: 0
Total volume of meetings (A+B+C+D+E)		63		ivieu. o
Total employers		423		
Meetings per employer %		15%		Avg: 3687% Med: 11%
+100 If meetings per employer is equal to or greate	r than 100%, otherwise			
100 X meetings per employer %.			15	11
100 Total			15	11

Reporting to employers service score



Scoring	; methodology	Your data 2022	Your score 2022	Peers 2022
	Did you report to employers in the year on how you served their employees (in the form of a 'stewardship' report)?	Yes		55% Yes
	Your service score for reporting to employers on member service will be 0 if you didn't report to your employers.			
	Frequency with which reports are issued:			
	Monthly	Yes		33% Yes
	Quarterly	Yes		100% Yes
	Half yearly	No		17% Yes
	Annually	No		33% Yes
	Note that we do not score frequency as we don't believe that more			
	frequent reports necessarily represent higher service.			
	Content			
+40	If each of the following are in your reports (including data reported			
. •	by exception), otherwise (# of 'yes' responses / # applicable) X 40		35	
	Work volumes: Post and transactions	Yes		100% Yes
	Timeliness: % of cases delivered inside standards	Yes		100% Yes
	Complaints: volumes in aggregate and by type	Yes		83% Yes
	Errors: including volumes by error type	Yes		33% Yes
	Reporting on the results of satisfaction surveys	Yes		83% Yes
	Telephone: volumes, wait times, drop-out rates, etc.	Yes		50% Yes
	Website: # of users registered, # of hits, etc.	Yes		67% Yes
	# of meetings with members individually and in groups	No		17% Yes
	# yes answers / # applicable	7/8		
+10	If trend analysis is included on the key metrics in the report	Yes	10	83% Yes
+50	Customization for individual employers			
	If all your stewardship reports are customised to reflect member			
	service performance standards at an employer level, i.e., they are		50	
	employer specific. Or	No		17% Yes
	Larger or more demanding employers get customised reporting			
	about performance for them specifically.	Yes		33% Yes
100	Total		95	90

SLAs – relating to how you serve employers service score

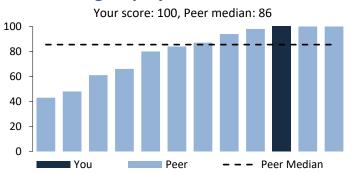


100	Total		60	36
	(rather than member tasks).	No	0	33% Yes
	performance against service standards for employer specific tasks			
+40	If you issue stewardship reports to employers that include			
	Reporting			
	# applicable	5		
	# yes answers	5		
	Password reset	Yes		36% Yes
	Responses to general enquiries	Yes		92% Yes
	Email response times	Yes		83% Yes
	Call abandonment rates	Yes		17% Yes
	Call wait times	Yes		25% Yes
	following areas, otherwise (# of 'yes' responses / # applicable) X 60		60	
+60	If you have performance targets for employer service in each of the			
	Targets			
		2022	2022	2022
SCOTITIE	methodology	Your data	Your score	Peers

SLAs - how employers serve you

	You	Peers	Count
Do you measure and compare (internally) how individual employers rank with others in terms of: a) Quality and timeliness of the data they submit? b) Accuracy and /or timeliness of contributions? c) Other SLAs / measures of employer compliance?	Some All All	All: 55%, Some: 45%, None: 0% All: 64%, Some: 36%, None: 0% All: 45%, Some: 45%, None: 9%	11 11 11
Do you give feedback to individual employers on how they rank with other employers in terms of: a) Quality and timeliness of the data they submit?	Some	All: 18%, Some: 45%, None: 36%	11
b) Accuracy and /or timeliness of contributions?	Some	All: 18%, Some: 55%, None: 27%	11
c) Other SLAs / measures of employer compliance?	Some	All: 9%, Some: 55%, None: 36%	11

Training employer staff service score

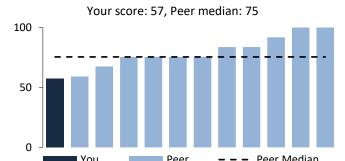


Scoring	g methodology	Your data 2022	Your score 2022	Peers 2022
	Options and Flexibility			
+18	If you provide one-on-one training for employer staff ¹	Yes	18	71% Yes
+18	If you provide group training for employer staff	Yes	18	71% Yes
+6	If you train employer staff via conference calls or webcasts	Yes	6	57% Yes
+6	If you train employer staff by posting training videos online	Yes	6	64% Yes
	On-line videos			
+7	1 point for each on-line training video, subject to a maximum of 7.	26	7	7
	Planning and Recording			
+15	If you log or record the details of those completing training (so that			
	you can ensure that all employers have appropriately trained staff).	Yes	15	64% Yes
+15	If you have a process for early identification and 'on boarding' (i.e.,			
	training, relationship building) of new contacts at employers.	Yes	15	79% Yes
+15	If you assess training needs based on the quality of data submissions?			
	(i.e., if a particular employer continually submits poor data, do you			
	target that employer for training).	Yes	15	71% Yes
100	Total		100	86

^{1.} Volume of one-to-one training sessions (not included in score – for information only).

	You 2021	Peers 2021	Count
How many one-on-one training sessions did you complete? (A)	14		
# employers (B)	423		
One-to-one training sessions as a % of employers (A/B)	3%	19%	9

Website service score



Scoring	methodology	Your data 2022	Your score 2022	Peers 2022
+10	If you have an employer targeted section on your website, or a separate website or portal for your employers? If you answer 'n/a' then your service score for website will be 0.	No	0	91% Yes
+90	Functionality If you have a secure area in your website or portal that allows employers to do all of the following, otherwise (# of 'yes' responses /			
	# applicable) X 90		57	
	Input or upload data (e.g., salary information) ¹	Yes		100% Yes
	Determine an employee's eligibility	No		27% Yes
	Enrol new members ¹	Yes		100% Yes
	Report leavers / retirements ¹	Yes		91% Yes
	Update member information (e.g., marital status) ¹	Yes		100% Yes
	View data submitted to the administration team	Yes		92% Yes
	Perform tasks on behalf of members e.g., generate an estimate, opt the employee out	Yes		75% Yes
	Upload paper documents, such as birth certificates	No		82% Yes
	Correspond in a secure environment with the administration team	Yes		92% Yes
	Review the status of tasks	No		33% Yes
	Reset password	No		73% Yes
	# yes answers / # applicable	7/11		
100	Total		57	75

1. Approach to the validation of data on submission via website (not included in score – for information only)

	You 2022	Peers 2022	Count
If there are errors or missing or anomalous data submitted via the website:			
Is the entire data set is rejected?	No	55% Yes	11
Are only items with errors or missing data rejected?	Yes	64% Yes	11
Are flags raised against anomalous data for the employer to clear later?	Yes	91% Yes	11
Is there an automated follow up on flagged data that hasn't been cleared?	Yes	55% Yes	11
If yes to any of the above, does the website validate data automatically for			
some or all data types	Yes	91% Yes	11

Measuring employer satisfaction

	You	Peers	Count
Did you measure customer satisfaction relating to employer service in the year?	Yes	92% Yes	12
If yes, did that satisfaction surveying ask questions about the following topics specifically:			
a) Employer website	Yes	82% Yes	11
b) Employer service over the telephone	Yes	82% Yes	11
c) Employer training	Yes	82% Yes	11
d) Data submission process	Yes	73% Yes	11
Did you survey to establish a Customer Effort Score in the following			
areas for employers:			
a) Employer website	No	50% Yes	12
b) Employer service over the telephone	No	25% Yes	12
c) Employer training	No	58% Yes	12
d) Data submission process	No	17% Yes	12