

with the government's October 2013 [Fair Deal guidance](#) that applies in relation to transfers from central government. The consultation closes on 4 April 2019.

The LGPC will be responding to the consultation in due course. In addition, the national LGPS Technical Group have created a sub-group to review the impact of the consultation and to make recommendations for response. The sub-group will be working closely with the LGA and MHCLG.

Contribution bands for 2019/20

On 17 October 2018, the Office for National Statistics (ONS) announced that the Consumer Prices Index (CPI) rate of inflation for September 2018 was 2.4%. Government policy in recent years has been to base both pensions increase under the Pensions (Increase) Act 1971 and revaluation of pension accounts under section 9 of the Public Service Pensions Act 2013 on the rate of CPI for September of the previous year.

The table below sets out the draft contribution bands¹, which will be effective from 1 April 2019. These are based on the pay bands for 2018/19 as increased by the September 2018 CPI figure of 2.4%, with the result rounded down to the nearest £100.

Draft Contribution table 2019/20			
Band	Actual pensionable pay for an employment	Contribution rate for that employment	
		Main section	50/50 section
1	Up to £14,400	5.5%	2.75%
2	£14,401 to £22,500	5.8%	2.9%
3	£22,501 to £36,500	6.5%	3.25%
4	£36,501 to £46,200	6.8%	3.4%
5	£46,201 to £64,600	8.5%	4.25%
6	£64,601 to £91,500	9.9%	4.95%
7	£91,501 to £107,700	10.5%	5.25%
8	£107,701 to £161,500	11.4%	5.7%
9	£161,501 or more	12.5%	6.25%

LGPS (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 2018 [SI 2018/1366]

On 4 February 2019, the Secretariat published [bulletin 180](#) dated February 2019.

Bulletin 180 provides a commentary for LGPS administering authorities in England and Wales on the changes to the LGPS made by the Local Government Pension Scheme (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 2018 [SI2018/1366].

¹ To be confirmed once the 2019 Pension Increase (Review) Order is published (expected in March 2019).