

Medical Certificate for Former Councillor Members

SECTION 1 - Former Councillor's Details (to be completed by the Former Employer)

Name of Former Councillor:		Title:	
Home Address:			
		Post Code:	
N.I. Number:		Date of Birth:	
Employer at date of deferral:		Position held*:	
Date of Termination:		Date of Application:	
*Please attach full details of the requirements of his / her former role in office.			

SECTION 2 - Medical Practitioner's Certification

A	<p>I certify that, in my opinion, this former Councillor WAS / WAS NOT (please delete as appropriate) at the date of application for the early payment of deferred benefits shown under Section 1, and on the balance of probabilities, permanently incapable, because of ill health or infirmity of mind or body, of discharging efficiently the duties of his / her former office as a Councillor which gave rise to the deferred benefits in the Local Government Pension Scheme.</p> <p>If deemed WAS NOT permanently incapable, please proceed to Section 4).</p>			
<p>If WAS has been selected under Part A and the former Councillor is OVER 55 at the date of application shown in Section1, please proceed straight to Part C. If WAS has been selected under Part A and the former Councillor is UNDER age 55 at the date of application shown in Section1, please proceed to Part B and then Part C.</p>				
B	<p>As this former Councillor is deemed to be permanently incapable, AND is under age 55 at the date entered in Section 1, I certify that, in my opinion, he / she WAS / WAS NOT (please delete as appropriate) at the date of application for early payment of deferred benefits shown in Section 1, permanently incapable by reason of disability caused by physical or mental infirmity of engaging in any regular full-time employment. <i>(Note: the answer to this question is used to determine whether the pension should be immediately increased under Pensions Increase legislation).</i></p>			
C	I certify that, in my opinion, this former Councillor:			✓
1	IS exceptionally ill, with a life expectancy of less than 1 year.			
	Is the former Councillor aware of this?	Yes	No	
2	IS NOT exceptionally ill and has a life expectancy of 1 year or more.			

SECTION 3 - Medical Practitioner's Comments

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SECTION 4 - Medical Practitioner's Declaration

STAMP (If applicable)

I **DO / DO NOT** (please delete as appropriate) attach a copy of my full report / assessment and certify that:

I have not previously advised, or given an opinion on, or otherwise been involved in the case to which this certificate relates AND I am not acting or have I ever acted as the representative of the former Councillor member named in Section 1, the former authority or any other party in relation to this case.

I am registered with the General Medical Council **AND** I hold a Diploma in Occupational Health Medicine (D Occ Med) or an equivalent qualification issued by a competent authority in an EEA State (with 'competent authority' meaning given by Section 55(1) of the Medical Act 1983), or I am an Associate, a Member or a Fellow of the Faculty of Occupational Medicine or of an equivalent institution in an EEA State.

Signature:			
Print Name:		Date:	

Notes of Guidance

- The Independent Registered Medical Practitioner signing the certificate must have been approved for this purpose by the administering authority.
- 'Permanently incapable' means that the former Councillor will, more likely than not, be incapable of discharging efficiently the duties of their former office because of ill health or infirmity of mind or body until, at the earliest, their 65th birthday.
- Certification of limited life expectancy of less than 1 year may only be provided by a fully registered person within the meaning of the Medical Act 1983. The full text of the Act can be found at: www.gmc-uk.org/about/legislation/medical_act.asp#2

This is a medical certificate provided in respect of a deferred councillor member by an independent, approved, duly qualified registered medical practitioner in accordance with regulation 97 of the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 1997 (as amended) and for the purposes of section 229(4) of the Finance Act 2004.