## **Death Grant – Expression of Wish form**

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This form has been designed for members of the Local Government Pension Scheme to name a beneficiary or beneficiaries to receive the lump sum death grant payable in the event of their death.

Please read the explanatory notes overleaf before completing this form

### **SECTION 1 – Your Personal details**

Surname:								Forename:			Title:	
Home Address:												
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National Insurance Number:								Date of birth:				
Email address:							1	Daytime phone numb	er:			
SECTION 2 – Details of your beneficiaries												

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Total 100%

### **SECTION 3 - Declaration**

In the event of my death, I wish that any death grant is paid to the beneficiary / beneficiaries named above in the proportions stated. I confirm that I have read and understood the explanatory notes overleaf.

Signed:

Date:

If you are a current or deferred scheme member, the details of your named beneficiary or beneficiaries will appear on your next Annual Benefit Statement. They are also viewable on the Member Self Service Portal.

#### Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea Pension Fund Death Grant – Expression of Wish form Explanatory notes

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The amount of tax-free lump sum death grant for a contributing member of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) is normally equal to three years' pensionable pay. If you are a contributing member, a death grant is payable no matter how long you have been a member of the scheme provided you are under age 75 at the date of death.

If you have a deferred benefit and / or a pension in payment from a previous period of LGPS membership, the death grant will be any lump sum payable in respect of those benefits <u>or</u> the death in service lump sum of three times your final pensionable pay, whichever is the greater. Please note:

- It is possible to name any number of individuals or incorporated or unincorporated organisations to receive the death grant.
- When completing the *Expression of Wish form*, please make sure that the percentage share column is completed for each individual beneficiary (even if you are naming only one) and that the sum of the percentage shares equals 100%.
- If you want to name more than five beneficiaries, please provide their details on a separate signed sheet of paper and attach it to this form.
- The named beneficiary or beneficiaries can be changed at any time simply by completing another *Expression of Wish form*, which can be sent on request or can be downloaded from the RBKC Pension Fund website at <a href="https://www.rbkcpensionfund.org/resources/">https://www.rbkcpensionfund.org/resources/</a>
- The Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea (RBKC) Administering Authority retains absolute discretion to decide whom any death grant is paid to. Having this discretion means the potential liability for the assessment of inheritance tax on the value of the grant will be avoided. The RBKC Administering Authority will of course have the greatest regard to your wishes in respect of the payment of the grant.
- Naming your beneficiary or beneficiaries will usually allow RBKC (as the Administering Authority) to pay the death grant quickly and without the need to wait for your estate to be settled and Probate obtained.
- If RBKC has been unable to pay the grant within two years of the date of your death, the grant will form part of your estate and payment will be made to your personal representatives.

Please return the completed form:						
In writing	RBKC Pensions Team, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, Green Zone, The Town Hall, Hornton Street, London, W8 7NX					
Or email a scanned copy, with the word 'Encrypted' in the subject line, to	pensions@rbkc.gov.uk					
Further information about the LGPS can be found:						
On the national members' website	https://www.lgpsmember.org					
On the RBKC pension fund website	https://www.rbkcpensionfund.org					
If you have questions about this form or about the LGPS, please contact the RBKC Pensions Team:						
By phone (9am to 5pm on working days)	020 7361 2323 or by email: pensions@rbkc.gov.uk					

This is not the form to nominate a co-habiting partner to receive a pension is the event of your death. A form for this purpose can be found on the RBKC pension fund website.