Dear XX

**The Retained Firefighters’ Pension Settlement - Second options exercise**

**Name: XXXXX NI Number: XXXXX**

We are writing to you as our records show that you were eligible for a death grant payable under the first options exercise, following the death of your late XX, however, never submitted a claim.

Following a legal judgement (more information is available on the [www.fpsmember.org/special-options-exercise](http://www.fpsmember.org/special-options-exercise)) the provisions have been extended and we have identified that you are in scope again.

If you are the surviving spouse or civil partner of someone who was employed as a retained firefighter during the relevant period (7 April 2000 to 5 April 2006) and who continued in that employment until they died before 6 April 2006, then you are entitled to receive the payment of a death grant. This is equal to 2.5 times the pensionable pay that your late XX earned in their last year of service.

Additionally, as our records indicate that your late xx was employed as a retained firefighter before 1 July 2000 and had continuous retained service prior to this date you are **also** entitled to receive an additional death grant payment. This is equal to 0.1 x pensionable pay for each full qualifying year of continuous service prior to 7 April 2000.

An application **must** be made by you to the fire authority before **31 March 2025**.

**Next Steps**

Please complete the death grant application form and return to us at:

[Address]

Once we have received your completed application, we will respond to you in writing setting out the amount that is payable to you.

Yours sincerely