

## Councillor's Option Not to Join the Scheme

To be completed by councillors who do not wish to join the Local Government Pension Scheme (Northern Ireland).

### Declaration by Councillor

Surname

First Name

Home Address

  
  

Postcode

Date of Birth

National Insurance Number

Council

Date of Appointment

**After careful consideration, I have decided not to become a member of the Local Government Pension Scheme (NI). I understand that I am giving up the right to earn any future benefits from the Scheme, including:**

- A pension based on length of my membership, my career average pay and a 1/60th accrual rate
- An option to exchange some pension for a tax free cash lump sum payable from age 65
- Permanent ill-health benefits
- Benefits for my spouse / civil partner / nominated cohabiting partner and any children I may have
- A death-in-service lump sum of three times career average pensionable pay

**A Councillors' Guide to the Local Government Pension Scheme is available from your Council, from the NILGOSC website at [www.nilgosc.org.uk](http://www.nilgosc.org.uk) or from NILGOSC at the contact details on the bottom of this form. Please ensure you read this before making your decision.**

**Signature**

**Date**

**Please return this form immediately to your Council who will retain this form on your record.**

### Council Note

If the councillor decides to opt out and contributions have already been taken, please refund the contributions internally and advise NILGOSC, provided that the councillor has less than three months of membership.