

Magenta Pension Scheme: illustrative pension scheme statement

The illustrative resource accounts for the fictitious “Magenta” Pension Scheme consist of:

A) Accountability

In addition to reporting requirements stated elsewhere in the FReM, the Accountability Report should also include:

- a. Report of the Managers;
- b. Report of the Actuary;
- c. Statement of Outturn against Parliamentary Supply (SOPS);
- d. Parliamentary Accountability Disclosures

B) Financial statements

- a. [Combined] Statement of Comprehensive Net Expenditure (*); (SoCNE)
- b. [Combined] Statement of Financial Position (*); (SoFP)
- c. [Combined] Statement of Changes in Taxpayers’ Equity (SoCTE)
- d. [Combined] Statement of Cash Flows (*); (SoCF)
- e. Notes to the accounts.

* These statements will be “combined” if they reflect transactions relating to both pensions and early departure costs (see paragraph 3 below)

1. The accounts are for illustration only and should only be followed as the circumstances of an individual pension scheme dictate. The accounts do not show every line item which may be necessary in the circumstances of an individual scheme, but they do show the main headings and line items which most schemes would be expected to include. Preparers should assess whether disclosures are relevant and material and tailor disclosures accordingly. Where the headings are not appropriate, they do not need to be disclosed.
2. In line with the implementation of the Simplifying and Streamlining Project, notes to the accounts will only be required for material balances. The removal of non-material balances, with a recognition that materiality is not restricted to just monetary value, will significantly streamline and simplify the accounts ensuring that the user is only presented with and can focus on relevant and material information. There will be no diminution of audit scope or depth, only the presentation of the information will be affected.
3. As noted in the FReM, the accounts of pension schemes may include transactions relating to early departure costs (also known as compensation payments) payable under a compensation scheme. In this example, the accounts combine the transactions of the Magenta Pension Scheme and the Violet Compensation Scheme. The latter is considered to act as an agent and hence recognises liabilities to the former employees or amounts due from employees only to the extent that these represent year-end timing differences. Nevertheless, the scheme statements reflect transactions relating to a now-discontinued arrangement whereby part of the liability to former employees was met from central funding and was not wholly recharged to employers. Different accounting arrangements will apply if the Scheme acts as a principal, or if different pre-funding arrangements apply.

Changes made from previous version

Statement/ note	Changes	Reason
<p>Combined Statement of Cash Flows</p>	<p>Activities previously included under financing activities now included under operating activities, namely:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compensation agency payments made on behalf of employers • Reimbursement of compensation payments made by employers • Injury benefit payments made on behalf of employers • Reimbursement of injury benefit payments made by employers • Lump sum payments made on behalf of employers • Reimbursement of lump sum payments made on behalf of employers 	<p>Alignment with the definition of financing and operating activities under IAS 7 Statement of Cash Flows.</p>

Accountability

Report of the Managers

The Report of the Managers should include information under the following headings, to the extent that they are relevant and not included elsewhere in the Foreword, for example in the Governance Statement. Additional information may be given if this will aid understanding of the Scheme. Similar information should be provided if there is a separate Compensation Scheme.

Background to the Scheme

- Statutory basis for the Scheme
- Eligibility to join the Scheme
- Main features of the Scheme, including benefits and how they are funded
- Management of the Scheme
- Organisations responsible for managing the Scheme
- Corporate governance of the Scheme, including management team
- Arrangements governing determination of contribution rates and benefits

Key developments in year:

- Changes in contributions
- Changes in benefits
- Membership statistics (movement in year)
- Financial position at 31 March 202X, significant features of results for year
- Events after the reporting period
- Issues arising for 202W-2X

Information for Members:

- Supplementary information available to members
- Information about FSAVCs and Stakeholder Pensions
- The names and addresses of the Scheme's (or Schemes'):
 - Accounting Officer;
 - managers or administrators;
 - actuary;
 - bankers;
 - legal advisers;
 - auditors; and
 - employers (this may be given in categories of employer, rather than by individual employer).
- Contact for enquiries

Report of the Actuary

The Scheme's Actuary will be responsible for preparing this section of the Financial Statements. The content is likely to include:

- Introduction
- Membership data
- Methodology for determining key financial information, such as Scheme liabilities
- Financial assumptions underpinning the financial statements
- Demographic assumptions
- Details of liabilities and current service costs

Statement of Outturn against Parliamentary Supply

In order to ensure consistency and clarity in SOPS disclosures, mandatory standardised text has been developed to explain the role of the SOPS.

The following text must be included as part of the SoPS disclosures:

In addition to the primary statements prepared under IFRS, the Government Financial Reporting Manual (FRM) requires [the entity] to prepare a Statement of Outturn against Parliamentary Supply (SOPS) and supporting notes.

The SOPS and related notes are subject to audit, as detailed in the Certificate and Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General to the House of Commons.

The SOPS is a key accountability statement that shows, in detail, how an entity has spent against their Supply Estimate. Supply is the monetary provision (for resource and capital purposes) and cash (drawn primarily from the Consolidated fund), that Parliament gives statutory authority for entities to utilise. The Estimate details supply and is voted on by Parliament at the start of the financial year.

Should an entity exceed the limits set by their Supply Estimate, called control limits, their accounts will receive a qualified opinion.

The format of the SOPS mirrors the Supply Estimates, published on gov.uk, to enable comparability between what Parliament approves and the final outturn.

The SOPS contain a summary table, detailing performance against the control limits that Parliament have voted on, cash spent (budgets are compiled on an accruals basis and so outturn won't exactly tie to cash spent) and administration.

The supporting notes detail the following: Outturn by Estimate line, providing a more detailed breakdown (note 1); a reconciliation of outturn to net operating expenditure in the SOCNE, to tie the SOPS to the financial statements (note 2); a reconciliation of outturn to net cash requirement (note 3); and, an analysis of income payable to the Consolidated Fund (note 4).

In addition, prepares should reference users to the discussion of financial performance in the Performance Report, where this requirement has been complied with. Where this requirement has not been complied with, commentary on outturn against estimate variances must instead be provided in the SOPS. Example text is as follows:

The SOPS provides a detailed view of financial performance, in a form that is voted on and recognised by Parliament. The financial review, in the Performance Report, provides a summarised discussion of outturn against estimate and functions as an introduction to the SOPS disclosures.

Where the department has an Excess Vote for one of the reasons given in the 'Supply Estimates Manual', 'Managing Public Money' or 'Managing Public Money Northern Ireland' (as appropriate) the department should insert this note and provide an understanding of why the Excess was incurred and how this has affected performance, if not already provided elsewhere:

The Department has incurred an Excess of [insert amount] because [insert reason]. The Department will seek parliamentary approval by way of an Excess Vote in the next Supply and Appropriation Act [Budget Act in Northern Ireland].

Preparers, when compiling the SOPS should still bear in mind the guidance in 6.6.9 a) that preparers may find it useful to provide further context and explanation over and above the minimum requirements detailed in 6.6 and throughout these illustrative statements; for example, by adding further explanatory text and indicating where information reconciles to other parts of the financial statements.

Summary tables – mirrors part 1 of the Estimates

Summary table, 20XX – XX, all figures presented in £000's

Type of spend	SoPS note	Outturn			Estimate			Outturn vs Estimate, saving/(excess)		Prior Year Outturn Total, 20XX - XX
		Voted	Non-Voted	Total	Voted	Non-Voted	Total	Voted	Total	
Departmental Expenditure Limit										
Resource	1.1	18	6	24	18	8	26	-	2	1
Capital	1.2	9	3	12	9	3	12	-	-	1
Total		27	9	36	27	11	38	-	2	2
Annually Managed Expenditure										
Resource	1.1	18	6	24	18	5	23	-	(1)	1
Capital	1.2	9	3	12	9	3	12	-	-	1
Total		27	9	36	27	8	35	-	(1)	2
Total Budget										
Resource	1.1	36	12	48	36	13	49	-	1	2
Capital	1.2	18	6	24	18	6	24	-	-	2
Total Budget Expenditure		54	18	72	54	19	73	-	1	4
Non-Budget Expenditure	1.1			-			-	-	-	1
Total Budget and Non budget		54	18	72	54	19	73	-	1	5

Text to include: *Figures in the areas outlined in thick line cover the voted control limits voted by Parliament. Refer to the Supply Estimates guidance manual, available on gov.uk, for detail on the control limits voted by Parliament.*

Net cash requirement 20XX – XX, all figures presented in £000's

Item	SoPS note	Outturn	Estimate	Outturn vs Estimate, saving/(excess)	Prior Year Outturn Total, 20XX - XX
Net Cash requirement	3	64	68	4	60

Administration costs 20XX – XX, all figures presented in £000's

Type of spend	SoPS note	Outturn	Estimate	Outturn vs Estimate, saving/(excess)	Prior Year Outturn Total, 20XX - XX
Administration costs	1.1	24	25	1	20

Text to include: *Although not a separate voted limit, any breach of the administration budget will also result in an excess vote.*

Where the department has a reportable Prior Period Adjustment, the department should insert the following text: *The Department has Prior Period Adjustments (PPAs) resulting from [insert reason]. It is proper for the department to seek parliamentary authority for the provision that should have been sought previously. In 20XX-XX, the following such PPAs have been made, which have been included within voted Supply in the Estimate.*

PPA Description	Resource/ Capital	DEL/AME	Amount/ £000

Guidance on PPAs and what they are is included in the Consolidated budgeting guidance.

Preparers should note 6.6.8 c) in the FReM and include any commentary as relevant.

Notes to the Statement of Outturn against Parliamentary Supply, 20XX – XX (£000's)

SOPS1. Outturn detail, by Estimate Line

SOPS1.1 Analysis of resource outturn by Estimate line

Type of spend (Resource)	Resource outturn							Estimate			Outturn vs Estimate, saving/ (excess)	Prior Year Outturn Total, 20XX - XX
	Administration			Programme			Total	Total	Virements	Total inc. virements		
	Gross	Income	Net	Gross	Income	Net						
Spending in Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)												
Voted expenditure												
A - Estimate line 1	2		2	3	(1)	2	4	5	1	6	2	6
B - Estimate line 2	2		2	3	(1)	2	4	7	(1)	6	2	6
C - Estimate line 3	2		2	3	(1)	2	4	6		6	2	6
Total voted DEL	6	-	6	9	(3)	6	12	18	-	18	6	18
Non-voted expenditure												
D - Estimate line 4	2		2	3	(1)	2	4	1	3	4	-	1
Total non-voted DEL	2	-	2	3	(1)	2	4	1	3	4	-	1
Total spending in DEL	8	-	8	12	(4)	8	16	19	3	22	6	19
Spending in Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)												
Voted expenditure												
A - Estimate line 1	2		2	3	(1)	2	4	5	1	6	2	6
B - Estimate line 2	2		2	3	(1)	2	4	7	(1)	6	2	6
C - Estimate line 3	2		2	3	(1)	2	4	6		6	2	6
Total voted AME	6	-	6	9	(3)	6	12	18	-	18	6	18
Non-voted expenditure												
E - Estimate line 4	2		2	3	(1)	2	4	7	(3)	4	-	1
Total non-voted AME	2	-	2	3	(1)	2	4	7	(3)	4	-	1
Total spending in AME	8	-	8	12	(4)	8	16	25	(3)	22	6	19
Total resource	16	-	16	24	(8)	16	32	44	-	44	12	38

SOPS1.2 Analysis of capital outturn by Estimate line

Type of spend (Capital)	Outturn			Estimate			Outturn vs Estimate, saving/ (excess)	Prior Year Outturn Total, 20XX - XX
	Gross	Income	Net total	Total	Virements	Total inc. virements		
Spending in Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)								
Voted expenditure								
A - Estimate line 1	3	(1)	2	1	2	3	1	6
B - Estimate line 2	3	(1)	2	1	2	3	1	6
C - Estimate line 3	3	(1)	2	1		1	(1)	6
Total voted DEL	9	(3)	6	3	4	7	1	18
Non-voted expenditure								
D - Estimate line 4	3	(1)	2	1		1	(1)	1
Total non-voted DEL	3	(1)	2	1	-	1	(1)	1
Total spending in DEL	12	(4)	8	4	4	8	-	19
Spending in Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)								
Voted expenditure								
A - Estimate line 1	3	(1)	2	8	(4)	4	2	6
B - Estimate line 2	3	(1)	2	2		2	-	6
C - Estimate line 3	3	(1)	2	1		1	(1)	6
Total voted AME	9	(3)	6	11	(4)	7	1	18
Non-voted expenditure								
E - Estimate line 4	3	(1)	2	1		1	(1)	1
Total non-voted AME	3	(1)	2	1	-	1	(1)	1
Total spending in AME	12	(4)	8	12	(4)	8	-	19
Total capital	24	(8)	16	16	-	16	-	38

Text to include: *The total Estimate columns include virements. Virements are the reallocation of provision in the Estimates that do not require parliamentary authority (because Parliament does not vote to that level of detail and delegates to HM Treasury). Further information on virements are provided in the Supply Estimates Manual, available on gov.uk.*

The outturn vs estimate column is based on the total including virements. The estimate total before virements have been made is included so that users can tie the estimate back to the Estimates laid before Parliament.

SOPS2. Reconciliation of outturn to net operating expenditure

Item	Reference	Outturn total	Prior Year Outturn Total, 20XX - XX
Total Resource outturn	SOPS 1.1	48	38
Add: Capital grants		5	4
Other (provide details e.g. PFI adjustments, etc)		5	4
Total		10	8
Less: Income paid/payable to the Consolidated Fund		(4)	(3)
Other (provide details e.g. PFI adjustments, etc)		(3)	(2)
Total		(7)	(5)
Net Operating Expenditure in Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Net Expenditu	SOCNE	51	41

Text to include: As noted in the introduction to the SOPS above, outturn and the Estimates are compiled against the budgeting framework, which is similar to, but different from, IFRS. Therefore, this reconciliation bridges the resource outturn to net operating expenditure, linking the SOPS to the financial statements.

Reconciling items must be explained, if not already explained elsewhere, with reference to where and why budgeting rules diverge from IFRS. For example: *Capital grants are budgeted for as CDEL but accounted for as spend on the face of the SOCNE, and therefore function as a reconciling item between Resource and Net Operating Expenditure. £Xm of capital grants were issued to X for the purposes of Y...*

If the total resource outturn in the SOPS is the same as net operating expenditure in the SoCNE, no reconciliation is required, and a written statement can instead be included stating this is the case.

Please note, the use of an 'other' row in the table above is only illustrative and preparers should provide relevant detail of other reconciling items (such as PFI, R&D, etc).

SoPS3. Reconciliation of net resource outturn to net cash requirement

Item	Reference	Outturn total	Estimate	Outturn vs Estimate, saving/ (excess)
Total Resource outturn	SOPS 1.1	48	49	1
Total Capital outturn	SOPS 1.2	24	24	-
<i>Adjustments for ALBs:</i>				
Remove voted resource and capital		(3)	(3)	-
Add cash grant-in-aid		3	4	1
<i>Adjustments to remove non-cash items:</i>				
Depreciation		(5)	(4)	1
New provisions and adjustments to previous provisions		(4)	(2)	2
Departmental Unallocated Provision		-	-	-
Supported capital expenditure (revenue)		-	-	-
Prior period adjustments		-	-	-
Other non-cash items		1	2	1
<i>Adjustments to reflect movements in working balances:</i>				
Increase/(decrease) in inventories		-	-	-
Increase/(decrease) in receivables		-	-	-
(Increase)/decrease in payables		2	(1)	(3)
Use of provisions		2	2	-
Total		(4)	(2)	2
Removal of non-voted budget items:				
Consolidated Fund Standing Services		(4)	(3)	1
Other adjustments		-	-	-
Total		(4)	(3)	1
Net cash requirement		64	68	4

Text to include: *As noted in the introduction to the SOPS above, outturn and the Estimates are compiled against the budgeting framework, not on a cash basis. Therefore, this reconciliation bridges the resource and capital outturn to the net cash requirement.*

Commentary explaining reconciling items may be included if preparers believe it will be of use to users. Preparers may also find it useful to indicate how the NCR ties to the cash flow in the financial statements too (although the cash flow includes funding from the Consolidated Fund (Supply) and so usually won't immediately reconcile to NCR. Please note, the rows in the table above are illustrative, additional rows may be needed or can be removed if nil balance.

SOPS4. Amounts of income to the Consolidated Fund

SOPS4.1 Analysis of income payable to the Consolidated Fund

In addition to income retained by the department, the following income is payable to the Consolidated Fund (cash receipts being shown in italics).

Item	Reference	Outturn total		Prior Year, 20XX - XX	
		Accruals	Cash basis	Accruals	Cash basis
Income outside the ambit of the Estimate		1	2	1	1
[Excess] cash surrenderable to the Consolidated Fund		1	1	1	1
Total amount payable to the Consolidated Fund		2	2	2	2

Preparers should consider adding explanatory text for this note, explaining its purpose and how it reconciles to other parts of the financial statements.

SOPS4.2 Consolidated Fund Income

Where the department collects income as an agent of the Consolidated Fund and doesn't prepare a Trust statement, disclosure should be made in the note in the format below:

Consolidated Fund income shown in note 4.1 above does not include any amounts collected by the department where it was acting as agent for the Consolidated Fund rather than as principal. The amounts collected as agent for the Consolidated Fund (which are otherwise excluded from the group financial statements) were:

Item	Outturn total	Prior Year Outturn Total, 20XX - XX
Taxes and licence fees	1	1
Fines and penalties	2	2
Other Income	1	1
Less:		
Costs of collection - where deductible	(2)	(2)
Uncollectible debts	(1)	(1)
Amount payable to the Consolidated Fund	1	1
Balance held at the start of the year	1	1
Payments into the Consolidated Fund	-	(1)
Balance held on trust at the end of the year	2	1

A description of the main income streams should be included together with any other explanations that may be necessary to provide a full understanding of the reported transactions

Parliamentary Accountability Disclosures

Losses and special payments

Losses Statement

Schemes should include a note on losses if the total value exceeds £300,000. Individual losses of more than £300,000 should be noted separately.

	202X-2Y	202W-2X
Total number of losses		
Total value of losses (£000)		
Details of losses over £300,000		
Cash losses		
[List cases]		
Claims abandoned		
[List cases]		
Administrative write-offs		
[List cases]		
Fruitless payments		
[List cases]		
Store Losses		
[List cases]		

Comparatives need be given for category totals. The list of cases need only be provided for the current year.

Entities should provide details of individual cases over £300,000 including the name of the entity where the loss arose. Where the headings for different types of losses are not appropriate, they do not need to be disclosed.

Special Payments

Schemes should include a note on special payments if the total value exceeds £300,000. Individual payments of more than £300,000 should be noted separately.

	202X-2Y	202W-2X
Total number of special payments		
Total value of special payments (£000)		

Details of special payments over £300,000

[List cases]

Comparatives need be given for category totals. The list of cases need only be provided for the current year.

Entities should provide details of individual cases over £300,000 including the name of the entity where the special payment arose. In the case of reporting on special payments which are severance payments, the detail to be disclosed should include the number of special severance payments made, the total amount paid out, and the maximum (highest), minimum (lowest) and median values of payments made. Where an entity's reporting of special severance payments does not include some or all of these details in circumstances in which doing so would conflict with a legal obligation arising as a result of the Data Protection Act 2018, or otherwise, this fact should also be disclosed.

Other payments

If the Scheme has made any other significant payments, including making gifts, these should be disclosed.

Financial Statements

In line with the implementation of the Simplifying and Streamlining Accounts project, notes to the accounts will only be required for material balances. The removal of non-material balances, with a recognition that materiality is not restricted to just monetary value, will significantly streamline and simplify the accounts ensuring that the user is only presented with and can focus on relevant and material information. There will be no diminution of audit scope or depth, only the presentation of the information will be affected.

Combined Statement of Comprehensive Net Expenditure

This example is based on the premise that the Violet Compensation Scheme operates on an agency basis. The FReM gives further information and also provides guidance on the accounting treatment to be followed in cases where the compensation scheme acts as a principal.

for the Year to 31 March 202Y

	Note	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Principal Arrangements – Magenta Pension Scheme			
Income			
Contributions receivable	2		
Transfers in	3		
Other pension income	4		
Expenditure			
Service cost	5		
Enhancements	6		
Transfers in	7		
Injury benefits	8		
Pension financing cost	9		
Other interest payable			
Administration expenses			
Net (expenditure)/income			
Agency Arrangements - Violet Compensation Scheme			
Benefits payable	10		
Net expenditure			
Combined net (expenditure)/income			
Other comprehensive net expenditure			
Pension re-measurements:			
- Actuarial gain/(loss)			
- Other re-measurements			
Total comprehensive net (expenditure)/income			

Combined Statement of Financial Position

as at 31 March 202Y

Note	202Y £000	202X £000
Principal arrangements - Magenta Pension Scheme		
Current assets:		
Receivables		
Cash and cash equivalents		
Total current assets		
Current liabilities:		
Payables (within 12 months)		
Total current liabilities		
Net current assets/(liabilities), excluding pension liability		
Pension liability		
Net liabilities, including pension liabilities		
Agency arrangements - Violet Compensation Scheme		
Receivables		
Payables (within 12 months)		
Net current assets/(liabilities)		
Payables (after 12 months)		
Provisions for liabilities and charges		
Net assets/(liabilities)		
Combined schemes - Total net assets/(liabilities)		
Taxpayers' equity:		
General fund		

Signed:

Accounting Officer

[Date]

Combined Statement of Changes in Taxpayers' Equity for the year ended 31 March 202Y

For Schemes restating the SCoCITE:

	Note	General Fund £000
Balance at 31 March 201W		
Changes in accounting policy		
Restated balance at 1 April 201W		
Net Parliamentary Funding – drawn down		
Net Parliamentary Funding – deemed		
Consolidated Fund Standing Services		
Supply payable/(receivable) adjustment		
Excess vote – prior year		
CFERs payable to the Consolidated Fund		
Comprehensive net expenditure/(income) for the year		
Actuarial (gain)/loss		
Balance at 31 March 202X		
Net Parliamentary Funding – drawn down		
Net Parliamentary Funding – deemed		
Consolidated Fund Standing Services		
Supply payable/(receivable) adjustment		
Excess vote – prior year		
CFERs payable to the Consolidated Fund		
Comprehensive net expenditure/(income) for the year		
Actuarial (gain)/loss		
Balance at 31 March 202Y		

For Schemes not restating the CSoCITE:

	Note	General Fund	
		202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Balance at 1 April			
Net Parliamentary Funding – drawn down			
Net Parliamentary Funding – deemed			
Consolidated Fund Standing Services			
Supply payable/(receivable) adjustment			
Excess vote – prior year			
CFERs payable to the Consolidated Fund			
Comprehensive net expenditure/(income) for the year			
Actuarial (gain)/loss			
Net change in taxpayer's equity			
Balance at 31 March 202Y			

Combined Statement of Cash Flows

for the year ended 31 March 202Y

	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net (expenditure)/income for the year		
Adjustments for non-cash transactions		
(Increase)/decrease in receivables - principal arrangements		
(Increase)/decrease in receivables - agency arrangements		
<i>less movements in receivables relating to items not passing through the Statement of Comprehensive Net Expenditure</i>		
Increase/(decrease) in payables - pensions		
Increase/(decrease) in payables - other payables		
<i>less movements in payables relating to items not passing through the Statement of Comprehensive Net Expenditure</i>		
Increase/(decrease) in pension provision	16.4	
Use of provisions	19	
Compensation agency payments made on behalf of employers		
Reimbursement of compensation payments made by employers		
Injury benefit payments made on behalf of employers		
Reimbursement of injury benefit payments made by employers		
Lump sum payments made on behalf of employers		
Reimbursement of lump sum payments made on behalf of employers		
<i>Net cash outflow from operating activities</i>		
Cash flows from financing activities		
From the Consolidated Fund (Supply) – current year		
From the Consolidated Fund (Supply) – prior year		
From the Consolidated Fund (non-Supply)		
Adjustments for payments and receipts not related to Supply		
<i>Net financing</i>		
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents in the period before adjustment for receipts and payments to the Consolidated Fund		
Receipts due to the Consolidated Fund which are outside the scope of the Scheme's activities		
Payments of amounts due to the Consolidated Fund		
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents in the period after adjustment for receipts and payments to the Consolidated Fund		
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	14	
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	14	

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Basis of preparation of the Scheme financial statements

The financial statements of the [combined] Scheme have been prepared in accordance with the relevant provisions of the 202X-2Y Government Financial Reporting Manual (FReM) issued by [insert name of issuing authority]. The accounting policies contained in the FReM apply International Financial Reporting Standards as adapted or interpreted for the public sector. IAS 19 Employee Benefits and IAS 26 Accounting and Reporting by Retirement Benefit Plans are of particular relevance to these statements.

In addition to the primary statements prepared under International Financial Reporting Standards, the FReM also requires the Scheme to prepare an additional statement – a Statement of Outturn against Parliamentary Supply. This statement, and its supporting notes, show outturn against Estimate in terms of the net resource requirement and the net cash requirement.

1.1 *Magenta Pension Scheme*

The Magenta Pension Scheme is a contracted out, unfunded, defined benefit pay-as-you-go occupational pension scheme operated by the [name of entity] on behalf of members of the [name of group] who satisfy the membership criteria.

Contributions to the Scheme by employers and employees are set at rates determined by the Scheme's Actuary and approved by [governing body]. The contributions partially fund payments made by the Scheme, the balance of funding being provided by [Parliament/the Northern Ireland Assembly] through the annual Supply Estimates process. The administrative expenses associated with the operation of the Scheme are borne by [name of entity] and reported in [the entity's financial statements].

The financial statements of the Scheme show the financial position of the Magenta Pension Scheme at the year end and the income and expenditure during the year. The Statement of Financial Position shows the unfunded net liabilities of the Scheme; the Statement of Comprehensive Net Expenditure shows, amongst other things, factors contributing to the change in the net liability analysed between the pension cost, enhancements and transfers in, and the interest on the Scheme liability. Further information about the actuarial position of the Scheme is dealt with in the Report of the Actuary, and the Scheme financial statements should be read in conjunction with that Report.

The financial statements also have regard to [whatever other legislation governs the particular accounts under review].

1.2 *Violet Compensation Scheme – agency arrangements*

This note will need to be amended if the scheme acts as a principal in respect of early departure costs (or compensation payments) as the scheme statements will need to reflect the scheme's obligations to the former employees and amounts recoverable from employers.

The Violet Compensation Scheme acts as an agent for employers in the payment of compensation payments arising under the Scheme. Compensation payments are generally recovered from employers on a monthly basis. The financial flows associated with these transactions are not brought into account in the financial statements. However, the financial statements recognise the liabilities arising from the central funding of compensation payments which amount to £[A]m (202W-2X: £[a]m) (see note 19) and any amounts that have been pre-funded or prepaid by employers £[B]m (202W-2X: £[b]) (see note 18).

2. Contributions receivable

	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Employers		
Employees:		
Normal		
Purchase of added years		

£[x] million contributions are expected to be payable to the Scheme in 202Y-2Z.

3. Transfers in

	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Group transfers in from other schemes		
Individual transfers in from other schemes		

4. Other pension income

	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Refunds of gratuities received		
Amounts receivable in respect of:		
Bringing forward the payment of accrued superannuation lump sums		
Capitalised cost of enhancement to pensions payable on departure		
Capitalised cost of enhancement to pensions payable at normal retirement age		

5. Service Cost

	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Current service cost (see note 15.4)		
Past service costs		

6. Enhancements (see also note 15.4)

	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Employees:		
Purchase of added years		
Refunds of gratuities		
Employers:		
Bringing forward the payment of accrued lump sums		
Enhancements to pensions on departure		
Enhancements to pensions on retirement		

7. Transfers in - additional liability

	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Group transfers in from other schemes		
Individual transfers in from other schemes		

Amounts receivable in respect of inward transfers increase the pension liability to the same extent. This increase is reflected in the Combined Statement of Comprehensive Net Expenditure as expenditure as part of the movements in the provision during the year.

8. Injury benefits

	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Injury benefits payable		
Less: recoverable from employers		

Injury benefits payable to former employees are recoverable from employers unless the injury was sustained on or before 31 March 1998.

9. Pension financing cost (see also note 15.4)

	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Net interest on defined benefit liability		

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10. Compensation benefits payable

10.1 The following amounts represent annual compensation payments payable to former employees which are not recoverable from employers:

	Note	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Discounts allowed in pre-funded annual compensation payments	10.2		
End-year revaluation of central funding provision			
Central funding – difference between provision for current year and outturn expenditure	10.2		
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10.2 The following represent the total annual compensation payments and compensation lump sums payable:

	Note	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Recoverable from employers			
Pre-funded by employers	16		
Discounts allowed on pre-funding	10.1		
Amounts met from central funding:			
Use of provision	16		
Borne by Compensation Scheme	10.1		
Total annual compensation payable		<hr/>	<hr/>
Lump sums payable recoverable from employers		<hr/>	<hr/>
Total lump sums payable		<hr/>	<hr/>

11. Additional Voluntary Contributions

This note should make no reference to free standing additional voluntary contributions (FSAVCs) as these are private arrangements between employees and the relevant institutions. Reference to FSAVCs and stakeholder pensions are made in the Report of the Managers.

11.1 The note should explain the arrangements whereby employees may make AVCs. It should clarify that AVCs are not brought to account in the Scheme statements and the responsibilities of the Managers of the Scheme extend only to ensuring that members' contributions are paid to the approved providers. It should note that members making contributions will receive annual statements from the providers confirming amounts held on their account and the movements in the year.

11.2 The aggregate amounts of AVC investments are as follows:

	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Balance at 1 April		
New investments		
Sales of investments to provide pension benefits		
Settlements		
Changes in market value of investments		
Balance at 31 March	<hr/>	<hr/>
Contributions received to provide life cover		
Benefits paid on death		

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12. Receivables – contributions due in respect of pensions

12.1 Analysis by type

	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Pension contributions due from employers		
Employees' normal contributions		
Bringing forward the payment of accrued superannuation lump sums		
Capitalised cost of enhancement to pensions payable on departure		
Group transfers		
Overpaid pensions		
Other receivables ¹		
Amounts due from the Consolidated Fund in respect of supply ²		
Sub-total		
Non-supply receivables:		
Injury benefit receivables		
Total amounts falling due within one year		
Amounts falling due after more than one year:		
Group transfers		
Other receivables ¹		
Total amounts falling due after more than one year		

¹ Other receivables should be analysed and any significant items disclosed separately

² See Consolidated Fund examples 2 and 4

Included within these figures is £000 (202W-2X: £000) that will be due to the Consolidated Fund once the debts are collected.

13. Cash and cash equivalents

	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Balance at 1 April		
Net change in cash balances		
Balance at 31 March		

The following balances at 31 March were held at:

Government Banking Service

Commercial banks and cash in hand

Short term investments

Balance at 31 March

14. Payables in respect of pensions

14.1 Analysis by type

	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Amounts falling due within one year		
Pensions		
Injury benefits		
Group transfer prepayment		
HMRC and voluntary contributions		
Overpaid contributions: employers		
Overpaid contributions: employees		
Overpaid contributions: employees added years		
Other creditors ¹		
Amounts issued from the Consolidated Fund for supply but not spent at year end ²		
Consolidated Fund extra receipts due to be paid to the Consolidated Fund ³		
Received		
Receivable		

Amounts falling due after more than one year:

[Description]

¹ Other creditors should be analysed and any significant items disclosed separately

² See Consolidated Fund example 1

³ See Consolidated Fund examples 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10

15. Pension liabilities

15.1 Assumptions underpinning the pension liability

The [name of scheme] is an unfunded defined benefit scheme. [Name of actuary] carried out an assessment of the Scheme liabilities as at 31 March 202Y. The Report of the Actuary on pages [x] to [y] sets out the scope, methodology and results of the work the actuary has carried out.

The [Scheme managers/trustees] together with the actuary and the auditor have signed a Memorandum of Understanding that identifies, as far as practicable, the range of information that the [Scheme managers/trustees] should make available to the actuary in order to meet the expected requirements of the Scheme auditor. This information includes, but is not limited to, details of:

- Scheme membership, including age and gender profiles, active membership, deferred pensioners and pensioners;
- benefit structure, including details of any discretionary benefits and any proposals to amend the Scheme;
- income and expenditure, including details of expected bulk transfers into or out of the Scheme; and
- following consultation with the actuary, the key assumptions that should be used to value the Scheme liabilities, ensuring that the assumptions are mutually compatible and reflect a best estimate of future experience.

The key assumptions used by the actuary were:

	At 31 March 202Y	At 31 March 202X	At 31 March 202W	At 31 March 201V	At 31 March 201U
Rate of increase in salaries					
Rate of increase in pensions in payment and deferred pensions					
Inflation assumption					
Nominal discount rate					
Discount rate net of price inflation					
Mortality rates at age 60					
Current retirements					
Females					
Males					
Retirements in 20 years' time					
Females					
Males					

These key assumptions are inherently uncertain, since it is impossible to predict with any accuracy future changes in the rate of salary increases, inflation, longevity or the return on corporate bonds. The actuary uses professional expertise in arriving at a view of the most appropriate rates to use in the annual valuation of the Scheme liabilities. However, the [Scheme managers/trustees] acknowledge that the valuation reported in these accounts is not certain, since a change in any one of these assumptions will either increase or reduce the liability. For example, on its own, even a small rise in the assumed rate of inflation will result in an increase in the pension liability.

The assumption that has the biggest impact on the amount of the reported liability is the discount rate net of price inflation. As set out in the FReM, and as required by IAS 19, the discount rate net of price inflation is based on yields on high quality corporate bonds. The rates are set out in the above table. Any decrease in the discount rate net of price inflation leads to a significant increase in the reported liability.

In accordance with IAS 19 the Scheme Managers/trustees are required to undertake a sensitivity analysis for each significant actuarial assumption as of the end of the reporting period, showing how the defined benefit

obligation would have been affected by changes in the relevant actuarial assumption that were reasonably possible at that date. This analysis, including details of the methods and assumptions used in preparing the sensitivity analyses, the limitations of these methods, and the reasons for any changes in methods and assumptions used in preparing the sensitivity analyses, are included in the analysis of the pension liability below.

15.2 Analysis of the pension liability

[Insert here a table analysing the liability between active members, deferred pensions and current pensions – as currently provided in the Report of the Actuary – but expanded to provide comparative figures. Comparatives should ideally be for the number of years for which major assumptions are provided in the table earlier in this note.]

As with the rest of this pro-forma, the wording below is illustrative and should be tailored to reflect the circumstances of the Scheme.

Pension Scheme liabilities accrue over employee's periods of service and are discharged over the period of retirement and, where applicable, the period for which a spouse or eligible partner survives the pensioner. In valuing the Scheme liability, the Actuary must estimate the impact of several inherently uncertain variables into the future. The variables include not only the key financial assumptions noted in the table above, but also assumptions about the changes that will occur in the future in the mortality rate, the age of retirement and the age from which a pension becomes payable.

The value of the liability on the statement of financial position may be significantly affected by even small changes in assumptions. For example, if at a subsequent valuation, it is considered appropriate to increase or decrease the assumed rates of inflation or increases in salaries, the value of the pension liability will increase or decrease. The managers [trustees] of the Scheme accept that, as a consequence, the valuation provided by the Actuary is inherently uncertain. The increase or decrease in future liability charged or credited for the year resulting from changes in assumptions is disclosed in note 20.4. The note also discloses "experience" gains or losses for the year, showing the amount charged or credited for the year because events have not coincided with assumptions made for the last valuation.

15.3 Sensitivity analysis

A sensitivity analysis for each significant actuarial assumption as of the end of the reporting period is included below.

[Insert here a sensitivity analysis for each significant actuarial assumption as of the end of the reporting period, showing how the defined benefit obligation would have been affected by changes in the relevant actuarial assumption that were reasonably possible at that date. This could take the format of an expanded version of the sensitivity analysis that is currently included in the Report of the Auditor but Schemes are encouraged to disclose in the manner that best suits their own individual circumstances. Also include details of the methods and assumptions used in preparing the sensitivity analyses, the limitations of these methods, and the reasons for any changes in methods and assumptions used in preparing the sensitivity analyses. The actuary will need to provide this information]

15.4 Analysis of movements in the Scheme liability

	Note	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Scheme liability at 1 April			
Current service cost	5		
Past service cost	5		
Pension financing cost	9		
Enhancements	5		
Pension transfers-in	6		
Benefits payable	15.5		
Pension payments to and on account of leavers	15.6		
Actuarial gain/(loss)	15.7		
Scheme liability at 31 March			

During the year ended 31 March 202Y, employers' and employees' contributions represented an average of [X] per cent of pensionable pay. [Schemes should indicate proposals for future years, i.e. remain at this level or proposed increases/decreases]

15.5 Analysis of benefits paid

	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Pensions or annuities to retired employees and dependants (net of recoveries or overpayments)		
Commutations and lump sum benefits on retirement		
Total benefits paid		

15.6 Analysis of payments to and on account of leavers

	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Refunds to members leaving service		
Group transfers to other schemes		
Individual transfers to other schemes		
Total payments to and on account of leavers		

15.7 Analysis of actuarial gain/(loss)

	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Experience gains/(losses) arising on the Scheme liabilities		
Changes in assumptions underlying the present value of Scheme liabilities		
Total actuarial gain/(loss)		

15.8 History of experience gains/(losses)

	202X-2Y	202W-2X	202V-1W	201U-1V	201T-1U
Experience gains/(losses) on the Scheme liabilities:					
Amount (£000)					
Percentage of the present value of the Scheme liabilities					
Total amount recognised in Statement of Changes in Taxpayers Equity					
Amount (£000)					
Percentage of the present value of the Scheme liabilities					

Statement of Financial Position - Agency arrangements: Violet Compensation Scheme**16. Receivables – Non-supply**

	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Recoverable annual compensation payments		
Recoverable lump sums		

17. Annual compensation payments pre-funded by employers

This analysis will only be required where there are (or have been) arrangements whereby employers could pre-fund some or all of their liabilities in respect of compensation payments and are showing amounts as liabilities on the Statement of Financial Position.

	Note	202X-2Y £000	202W-2X £000
Balance at 1 April			
Amount used to offset liabilities	10.2		
Balance at 31 March			
To be used in the next 12 months			
To be used after more than 12 months			

18. Financial Instruments

ONLY where the scheme is exposed to risk should the appropriate IFRS 7 disclosures be made. Disclosures should be given only where they are necessary because the scheme holds financial instruments that are complex or play a significant role in the financial risk profile of the scheme. The headings in IFRS 7 should be used to the extent that they are relevant. Where the scheme does not face significant financial risks, then it is sufficient to make a statement to that effect – similar to that above. (Given that all schemes have financial instruments within the scope of IAS 32, silence is not an option.)

As the cash requirements of the Scheme are met through the Estimates process, financial instruments play a more limited role in creating and managing risk than would apply to a non-public sector scheme of a similar size. The majority of financial instruments relate to contracts for non-financial items in line with the Scheme's expected purchase and usage requirements and the Scheme is therefore exposed to little credit, liquidity or market risk.

19. Contingent liabilities disclosed under IAS 37

The Scheme should give here information about contingent liabilities disclosed under the requirements of IAS 37. This will probably need to mention guarantees to make pension payments in the event of a default by an approved AVC provider.

21. Related-party transactions

The Scheme falls within the ambit of *[name of department]*. The Department is regarded as a related party with which the Department has had various material transactions during the year.

In addition, the Scheme has had material transactions with other government departments, and other central government bodies whose employees are members of the Schemes.

None of the Managers of the Schemes, key managerial staff or other related parties has undertaken any material transactions with the Scheme during the year. [Or if there have been material transactions, they should be disclosed.

22. Events after the Reporting Period

The Scheme should disclose details of any events between the end of the reporting period and the date the financial statements are authorised for issue distinguishing between adjusting and non-adjusting events as defined in IAS10.

The [Accounting Officer/Board] authorised the issue of these financial statements on XX Month 202Y.