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Dear Cheshire FRS Local Pension Board (by email),

As you will be aware, the Scheme Advisory Board (SAB) has recently published the [research report of the FRA remedy self-assessment survey](#) that was run between May and August to measure Fire and Rescue Authorities' preparedness for implementing remedy for McCloud/ Sargeant (age discrimination) and Matthews (FPS 2006 special members).

The survey received 100 per cent participation from all FRAs in England and the SAB would like to thank you for your submission. You will see that this has led to recommendations being made for both the SAB and other stakeholders.

As outlined in Joanne Livingstone's recent [Chair's message](#), I am pleased to attach a copy of your FRA's individual submission for discussion at your next Local Pension Board meeting. This will allow you to benchmark your responses against the overall results.

The following areas were identified as showing potential for improvement:

- Identifying the cohort of members affected by the Sargeant remedy
- Improving the level of internal pensions knowledge and capacity

Many thanks again for your participation. If you have any feedback on the survey or any other areas of the SAB's work, please email the Board Secretariat at bluelight.pensions@local.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely,

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