

# FPS – preparing for pensions dashboards

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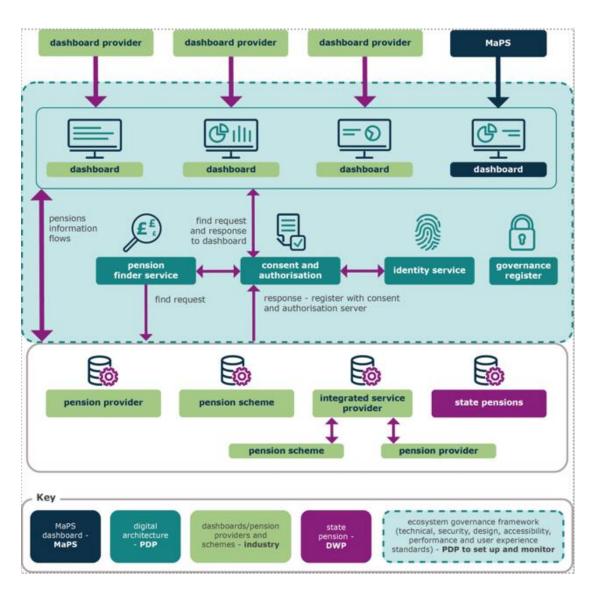
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## Pensions dashboards – challenge and opportunity



- **TPR will regulate the compliance of occupational schemes –** over 3,000 schemes are in scope of the regs.
- **These schemes will 'stage' over time,** starting with the largest MTs in August 23, through to schemes with just over 100 relevant members in October 25.
- Public service pensions schemes will be required to connect in September 24.
- **Dashboards are a big challenge** the earliest schemes are staging in around 7 months' time. In addition, there have been **decades of underinvestment in systems and data.**
- But they are also a huge opportunity to support better engagement by savers, but also to drive long overdue improvements in data and systems, which could have wider benefits for schemes and savers.
- Pensions dashboards are well aligned with TPR's vision for pensions of the future, in particular our strategic outcomes that savers are able to better interact with their savings, and can access good advice and guidance.
- But dashboards are **not a silver bullet** they alone won't 'fix' engagement, adequacy or small pots.

## Pensions dashboards – how they will work



- The dashboard digital architecture will verify the individual's identify and obtain their consent to complete a search
- Individuals will make a request to find their pensions, then once they've received a confirmed match, they can request to view more detailed data about their pension.
- All pensions information for the individual can be seen side by side on the dashboard, including information about expected income in retirement.
- https://youtu.be/o27-R-EkmR8



## Pensions dashboards – consultations and regulations: where are we now?

- DWP Pensions Dashboards Regulations 2022
- DWP <u>Guidance on deferred connection</u>
- DWP Dashboards availability point consultation response
- PDP <u>Standards</u> (data, reporting technical, code of connection)
- PDP Design standards consultation
- FCA Rules for personal and stakeholder pensions
- FCA Qualifying pensions dashboards consultation
- TPR Pensions dashboards guidance and checklist
- TPR Compliance and enforcement draft consultation



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DEADLINE

Trustees, get your data ready

for pensions dashboards.

## **Preparing for pensions dashboards**



#### Connection

#### > When?

- By 30 September 2024
- Who and how?
  - Step 1: speak to your administrator and/or software provider
  - Step 2: consider the other options available to you

#### Find

- As soon as connected, you must be ready to search your records using the data provided by the saver, and confirm if you hold a record for them ('match')
  - Three options: a 'match made'; a 'possible match', and a 'no return'.

#### View/Value data

- If you have a record for the user, you need to return certain 'administrative' data to them name of the scheme, type of benefit, contact details.
- You will also need to return the value of their benefit but this is only required from when you've issued a remediable service statement to the member or 1 April 25 (whichever comes first)
- > You will need to do all this in line with standards and technical requirements set by MaPS.

### **Common questions asked**



#### **Deadlines and compliance**

- Enforcement: How will TPR approach multiple breaches arising from a single failure. Will multiple penalties be issued?
- Third parties: Reliance on third parties and elements out of schemes' direct control; impact of DAP and traffic to admins, and impact on BAU.
- Change of administrator: Can the connection deadline be deferred to accommodate a change of administrator?

#### Find and view data

• Matching: Why is the matching criteria not set out in legislation?

#### Dashboard availability point (DAP)

- DAP: When can we expect dashboards to be go live/be launched to the public? Will there be a comms campaign?
- Connection deadline vs DAP: Will schemes be required to provide value data from point of connection?
- Scams: Will dashboards increase the risk of scams and what measures will be in place to protect savers?

## **TPR's approach - communications**



- Initial guidance published and updated to reflect DWP consultation response
- Multi-channel approach to raise awareness and understanding:
  - ✓ Industry events
  - Media
  - Partners and industry bodies sharing key messages
  - ✓ 121 engagement: schemes in relationship supervision
  - 121 engagement: key 'enablers' largest administrators, admin software providers, integrated service providers
  - Nudge communications to all scheme managers ahead of duties, starting at least 12 months before their connection deadline

## **Compliance and enforcement approach**



- Principles-based policy
- Data-led: information will flow from PDP to TPR identifying non-compliance, or providing us with data to identify potential risk of non-compliance
- Leveraging a range of powers:
  - New powers in regs designed to operate at scale compliance notices, third party compliance notices, penalty notices
  - Existing information-gathering powers
  - Existing powers to pursue wider governance issues



TPR's compliance and enforcement policy has been published for consultation; pragmatic approach but robust where we see intentional non-compliance

## Looking forward: working together



- Collaborative working with SAB and Secretariat to
  - Ensure reach of messages
  - Help TPR provide appropriate support/guidance
  - Solve problems collaboratively
  - Understand progress of preparations