*Please read the Employee information leaflet before completing this form.*

***THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED FAO STEPHEN KENNEDY NORTHUMBERLAND FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE, WEST HARTFORD BUSINESS PARK, CRAMLINGTON, NORTHUMBERLAND, NE23 3JP***

***By 30th JUNE 2024***

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| **RETAINED SETTLEMENT: EXPRESSION OF INTEREST IN JOINING THE MODIFIED SCHEME** **APPLICATION FOR STATEMENT OF SPECIAL SERVICE** |

*Complete in BLOCK CAPITALS:*

Surname ………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Forename(s) …………………………………………………………………………………………………..

Address ………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

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Email Address………………………………………………………………………………………………….

Date of Birth……………………………………………………………………………………………………

National Insurance number ………………………………………………………………………………….

Details of your retained employment:

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| **From** | **To** | **Fire Authority** | **Station** |
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***Tick Yes or No below to indicate your wishes:***

**[ ]  Yes,** I wish to receive more details with regards to joining/paying for more eligible service in the modified scheme

[ ]  No, I **do not** wish to join the modified scheme

**If you have ticked yes please indicate if you are interested in the following options\*:**

□ I wish to consider transferring my deferred 1992 Scheme pension benefits to my membership under the modified pension arrangements (***see******the relevant section*** *of the information leaflet*)

□ I wish to be considered for a retrospective ill-health pension under the modified pension arrangements (***see the relevant section*** *of the information leaflet*)

*\** ***the above options will be subject to you satisfying the qualifying conditions***

**Please note** that you will be provided with the relevant conversion options that you are eligible for unless you tell us otherwise. (**see the relevant section** in the information leaflet)

Additional information

If you are interested in converting service between the standard FPS 2006 benefits and the modified pension arrangements***,*** please provide the date that you joined FPS 2006 and details of the FRA responsible for administering your pension.

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If you are interested in transferring your deferred FPS 1992 benefits to the modified pension arrangements, please provide the date when you left your employment as a regular firefighter and details of the FRA which employed you.

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If you left your employment as a retained firefighter on or after 6 April 2006 and immediately, without a break in service, became a regular firefighter, please provide the start and finish dates of this employment and details of the FRA which employed you.

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If you are interested in obtaining a personal statement on the costs of joining the modified pension arrangements and have supporting documentation that will assist the fire and rescue authority to assess your earnings over the period pre and including 7 April 2000 and 30 June 2000 or 1 July 2000 to 31 March 2015 (if you are eligible for this period in the second options exercise), please can you submit it with this form.

If you do not have any supporting documentation your fire and rescue authority will still be able to decide on your earnings during this period.

Please ensure that you update your address/email address accordingly to ensure we can continue to correspond with you.

Where practical we will acknowledge receipt by email and provide guidance documentation by links to [www.fpsmember.org](http://www.fpsmember.org) If you require anything in hard copy, please contact us.

I declare that I have read the covering letter and employee information leaflet before making my request on this form.

Signed …………………………………………………………………………… Date …………………….

Print Name:……………………………………………..