

**DEATH GRANT - EXPRESSION OF WISH FORM**

**Please complete in BLOCK CAPITALS,**

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Member Details

Full Name			
National Insurance Number		Job Title	
Home Address			

**Details of Beneficiaries – please complete and attach a further form if you have more than 4 beneficiaries**

Name	Date of Birth	Address	Relationship (if any)	Percentage Share

*This information will appear on your next Annual Benefit statement. The Pensions Team will acknowledge receipt of this form if you attach a written request.*

I hereby notify the Council of my wishes for the above named beneficiary / beneficiaries to receive any death grant payable under the Local Government Pension Scheme regulations in the proportions as indicated. ***Please ensure below has an actual signature and not typed.***

Signed	Date
Name	

Please return the form to: Pensions Team, L B Redbridge, 255 – 259 High Road, Ilford, Essex, IG1 1NY  
**June 2025**

## NOTES FOR YOUR RETENTION

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This form gives you that facility but you must be aware that the amount of the Death Grant is governed by regulations and the Council has absolute discretion in deciding who receives the money. The Council may pay it in one sum or split amongst a number of beneficiaries, however the Council will have regard to your wishes. The term “beneficiaries” may include a spouse, children, dependants, personal representatives, an incorporated or unincorporated body.

Please note the following:

- If a partner is listed as a beneficiary and the partnership ceases for example by divorce, dissolution of a civil partnership, or ceasing to live together, this form will no longer be valid and so a new form should be completed.
- You may submit a new Expression of Wish form at any time by completing another and that revised form will replace any previous forms on file.
- If you are listing more than one beneficiary, the total proportions indicated must add up to 100%
- If any beneficiary is under the age of 18 at the date of completing this form, you should indicate what it is you wish to be done with the death grant at the point of payment if the beneficiary is still under 18. For example, you may wish to name a trustee.
- If you have more than one job with L B Redbridge, your beneficiary information will be taken as applicable for all jobs. If you wish to specify different beneficiaries for each job, you will have to complete separate forms giving details of the job that each form is applicable for.
- If you have LGPS rights with any other local authority, you will need to complete that authority's form regarding any potential death grant that may become payable from that authority.

In the absence of a valid Expression of Wish form, if the death grant is not paid out within 2 years of the date of your death, or the pensions team being informed of your death, the death grant will be paid out to your personal representatives, and may be subject to tax.

It is important that having completed an Expression of Wish form, you ensure that it continues to reflect your wishes should your circumstances change. It is also important that should any of your beneficiaries details change.

You may wish to keep a copy of this form with your personal papers before sending it the Pension Team.

You are also able to amend or update your beneficiary details via Member Self – Service, if you have registered for that.