# **Example Illustrations**

As trustees we are required to provide you with examples to show you what you might get from your plan in today's terms and explain how charges, transaction costs and investment performance could impact your pension savings over time.

Showing the value of money in real terms takes the effect of inflation into account and gives an indication of how much a sum of money in the future would be worth today. This is called its buying power.

The effective date of these illustrations is 1 October 2024. There are different ways in which these illustrations can be calculated, the below tables use the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) guidelines, known as Conduct of Business Sourcebook (COBS).

# We have assumed the following:

- That the amounts paid in to your pension will not change over time and that the frequency will not vary. In reality contributions paid into your pension are linked to salary so will vary over time and may also be impacted by changes in pensions legislation or breaks in employment.
- We've assumed inflation remains constant at 2% per year. In reality this will vary over time. Inflation reduces the worth of all savings and investments.

Please remember that these are just examples and may not reflect your individual circumstances. The exact amount you'll get will depend on a number of things including:

- The actual amount paid into your plan;
- · How the fund or investments that you hold perform;
- When you choose to access your pension savings.

#### **Costs and charges**

We've assumed a number of charges in these illustrations and assume that they will not change over time. These charges reflect the costs incurred in keeping your pension plan running smoothly and managing the funds you're invested in.

# Annual management charge (AMC):

This covers the cost of running your pension plan, as agreed with your employer and is deducted from your plan monthly.

Fund value	AMC
£0-£50,000	0.27%
£50,000+	0.27%



# **Costs and charges**

#### **Investment choices**

The investment strategy used in these illustrations are below. We've used the following fund management charge (FMC) and growth rate(s) in these illustrations. These growth rates take into account the effect of inflation. If you are invested in a Target Date Fund the growth rates assume that you are invested in the fund from the 1st January each year.

Fund Name	FMC	Growth rate	Transaction costs
L&G PMC 2065 - 2070 Target Date Fund 3	0.15%	2.9%	0.09%
L&G PMC Cash 3	0.09%	2.5%	0%
L&G PMC Future World Fund 3	0.24%	2.9%	0.07%
L&G PMC HSBC Islamic Global Equity Index Fund 3	0.35%	2.9%	0.02%

#### Fund management charge (FMC)

This covers the cost of managing the fund or funds you're invested in and is included in the funds unit price.

## **Transaction costs**

Transaction costs reflect the trading costs incurred by a fund in day-to-day management and when you make a request to buy, sell or switch your investments. Where transaction costs data is available we've included them in the calculation of these illustrations and they are based on the average yearly costs incurred, measured over a period of up to the last five years. This may be different to the charges shown on the scheme's annual chairman's statement. If the value in the table above is N/A we've not been able to include them, but you may still incur these costs.

If a cost does apply, it will not have been included in the calculation of your pension benefit statement so the outcomes may be different. It will be reflected in the unit prices used to calculate the value of your pension pot. You can find out more about transaction costs at landg.com/transactioncosts.

## Retirement age

We have assumed that you will take your pension benefits when you reach 68 and that you are currently aged 25. These illustrations assume your money will remain invested for the periods shown in the table.

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# How will the charges affect what my pension is worth?

	L&G PMC 2065 Date Fund 3	- 2070 Target	L&G PMC Cash 3		L&G PMC Future World Fund 3		L&G PMC HSBC Islamic Global Equity Index Fund 3	
Pot value at end of year	Current fund value: £3,216.21 Contribution: £93.33 per month Investment growth after inflation reduced from 2.9% a year to 2.4%.		Current fund value: £3,216.21 Contribution: £93.33 per month		Current fund value: £3,216.21 Contribution: £93.33 per month		Current fund value: £3,216.21 Contribution: £93.33	
			Investment growth after inflation reduced from 2.5% a year to 2.1%.		Investment growth after inflation reduced from 2.9% a year to 2.4%.		Investment growth after inflation reduced from 2.9% a year to 2.3%.	
	No charges	After all	No charges	After all	No charges	After all	No charges	After all
		charges		charges		charges		charges
1	4,430	4,410	4,410	4,400	4,430	4,410	4,430	4,410
3	7,040	6,960	6,960	6,900	7,040	6,940	7,040	6,940
5	9,870	9,690	9,700	9,580	9,870	9,670	9,870	9,650
10	18,000	17,400	17,400	17,100	18,000	17,300	18,000	17,300
20	39,900	37,600	37,700	36,200	39,900	37,300	39,900	37,000
30	71,800	65,700	66,000	62,100	71,800	64,900	71,800	64,200
40	117,000	104,000	104,000	96,700	117,000	102,000	117,000	101,000
43	134,000	118,000	119,000	109,000	134,000	116,000	134,000	114,000

# Important note:

The charges mean that the value of your pension pot could be less than has been paid in, particularly if contributions stop during the early years of your pension plan.