

NEWSLETTER

Forthcoming Surgeries

Your Federation continues to facilitate a variety of surgeries every month for eligible officers and police staff. These include Mortgages, Wills, Pre Retirement Financial Planning, Family Law as well as general Financial Advice. All initial one hour sessions are *free of charge*. [Click here for details of our forthcoming Surgeries, including how to book.](#)

'Top Up' Life Insurance for Group Insurance Scheme Members

Did you know that, if you are a member of our [Group Insurance Scheme](#), you can 'top up' your own life cover and that of your Spouse/Partner (if subscribing)?

The life cover element within our [Group Insurance Scheme](#) is currently £120,000, and Spouse/Partner life cover (available as an optional extra) is £60,000. There are 3 easy options to increase this cover, as follows:

- £7.15 per month providing an additional £50,000 cover
- £9.65 per month providing an additional £75,000 cover
- £12.21 per month providing an additional £100,000 cover

[Click here for Serving Officer Top Up Life Application](#)

[Click here for Partner Top Up Life Application](#)

Application forms should be completed and returned to the Federation Office in the first instance for onward transmission to our insurers. Subject to their approval, we will then confirm your cover by email.

Federation Holiday Lodge Windermere –some 2020 dates now released

We have now released some 2020 dates (*February to mid July*) for our [Holiday Lodge in Windermere](#), available at specially reduced prices for members of our [Group Insurance Scheme](#). [Click here for 2020 prices.](#) [Click here to check availability and to submit a booking enquiry.](#)

We will be releasing future dates in 3 monthly blocks to ensure that all our members have the opportunity to book. In the interests of fairness, bookings will be limited to one per member in any annual period.

New Property – The Old Byre, Wandylaw, Northumberland

We are delighted to advise that we have recently purchased another barn conversion at Wandylaw near Chathill, Northumberland, for hire at discounted prices by our members of our [Group Insurance Scheme](#).

[The Old Byre](#) a three bedroomed stone built property located less than half a mile from the A1, is within easy reach of Alnwick, Berwick and Edinburgh. [Click here for full details, prices and to access the online booking calendar.](#)

Northern Police Healthcare Scheme – Refer A Friend and Receive £25!

If you are currently a member of our [Healthcare Scheme](#) and you recommend a friend/colleague (*who must be a serving police officer or police staff member*), who subsequently joins the Scheme, **you will receive £25**. You can refer as many friends/colleagues as you like, so each time a new member is referred by you, **that's another £25 in your pocket**.

Once your nominee joins the Scheme and makes 3 payments, we will email you requesting your bank details to make the appropriate incentive payment directly into your bank account. **It's that simple!** [Click here to Refer a Friend](#)

Pre Retirement Courses 2019

Your Federation continue to organise **2 day Pre Retirement Courses** - facilitated by Steve Carss at Carss Financial Partners Ltd - *completely free of charge to our members*. These Courses cover such useful subjects as Financial and Estate planning, Recruitment and CV preparation, as well as Mortgage/Property issues. Duty time is afforded for attendees.

The following are the Pre Retirement dates for the remainder of the year, all held at the [Beefeater Moor Farm, Annitsford](#) commencing at **9.00 am** on both days:

Thursday/Friday 20/21 June

Thursday/Friday 5/6 September

Thursday/Friday 21/22 November

If you are within 18 months of retirement and would like to attend a Pre Retirement Course, please email info@norpolfed.org.uk to register your interest in the first instance, stating your proposed retirement date.

Duty Spectacles/Contact Lenses

Just a reminder that the Force will provide financial assistance towards the cost of obtaining duty spectacles/contact lenses, should your optician deem your eyesight requires correction.

Payments will be made up to a maximum of £55. Claims will only be considered every 2 years but there is no time limit on *replacement spectacle lenses*.

Applications should be made on a [SPECS 1](#) form which should be signed and stamped by your optician. Remember to attach the relevant receipts (*copies will suffice*). Completed forms should then be sent to Payroll & Pensions Department at Forth Banks for processing.

Know Your Rights

Not all officers are aware of their basic entitlements under [Police Regulations](#) and we are keen to spread awareness of these and the support available to our members. [Click here to read a Quick Reference Guide re your main Terms and Conditions](#). If you have specific questions regarding your conditions, please contact your [local Federation Representative\(s\)](#).

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