

# Aviva Life & Pensions UK Limited

## WL With-Profits Sub-Fund



### Summary of changes to the Principles and Practices of Financial Management (PPFM)

#### Introduction and Background

This document summarises changes made to the WL With-Profits Sub-Fund PPFM in recent years.

The PPFM was originally published as the PPFM of Winterthur Life UK Limited in April 2004 and it has subsequently been amended on a number of occasions. The Aviva website now displays the latest version of the PPFM.

#### 1. Changes effective from 1 January 2024

##### (a) Practices 2.3.2

The reference to a webpage used in this section has been updated.

##### (b) Practices 3.6

Some wording that is no longer relevant has been deleted.

##### (c) Practices 6.2

The practices included wording related to capital instruments issued by Friends Life Holdings plc. These instruments have been repaid and so the wording has been deleted. However, it is still a requirement that an annual review of the impact of the Company's plans on the security of policyholders is provided to the With-Profits Committee.

#### 2. Changes effective from 1 January 2023

The PPFM has been amended from 1 January 2023. A number of practices were amended following an internal review.

##### (a) Practices 3.4

We have made some changes to the way we apply smoothing of payouts to better achieve the way smoothing is described in the Principles.

#### 3. Changes effective from 1 January 2022

The PPFM has been amended from 1 January 2022. Two practices were amended following an internal review.

##### (a) Practices 2.4.4

We have corrected the wording for the tax deducted from asset shares to reflect actual practice.

##### (b) Practices 3.6

We have removed reference to a particular product as it is not a valid example.

#### 4. Changes effective from 1 January 2021

The PPFM has been amended from 1 January 2021. A number of practices were amended following an internal review.

##### (a) General changes

We have made some minor corrections and clarifications to wording. These have not been described here as they make no material change to the PPFM.

##### (b) Practices 2.3.2, 3.4.3 & 8.2

We have made some changes to the eligibility to estate distributions to better achieve the way estate distributions are described in the Principles.

##### (c) Practices 3.3

We have clarified the bonus rates that are to be applied to Pensions With-Profits Term Assurance and the Accident Benefit Plan.

#### **(d) Practices 3.4.2**

We have corrected the wording for the change in payouts to be less than or equal to the smoothing limits following final bonus rates changes.

#### **(e) Practices 5.3**

Following a previous change to our investment strategy, we have removed some wording which no longer applies.

### **5. Changes effective from 1 January 2020**

The PPFM has been amended from 1 January 2020. One principle and a number of practices were amended following an internal review.

#### **(a) General changes**

We have made some minor corrections and clarifications to wording. These have not been described here as they make no material change to the PPFM.

#### **(b) Practices 2.3**

We have made some changes to the description of our approach to estate distributions to make it clearer for customers to understand the main risks and rewards of maintaining a with-profits policy in the Sub-Fund.

#### **(c) Practices 3.4 & 3.5**

We have clarified the calculations for specific claims practices for some unitised business.

#### **(d) Practices 7.2**

The PPFM referred to a management services agreement which ceased at the end of 2018. We have amended the wording to reflect the revised Management Services Agreement which took effect from 1 January 2019.

#### **(e) Principles 5.1, Practices 8.2 and Glossary**

We have introduced a Risk Appetite Framework which supports the decision making in relation to the with-profits sub-funds. It aims to manage the Sub-Fund so that the estate is within a preferred range. The principle refers to a risk appetite and this has been rephrased to prevent any confusion with the new Risk appetite Framework. It is not a material change but a clarification to the wording.

### **6. Changes effective from 1 January 2019**

The PPFM was amended 1 January 2019. A number of practices were amended following an internal review.

#### **(a) General changes**

Where possible we have standardised wording and removed any Practices that are no longer applicable. These have not been described here as they make no material change to the PPFM.

#### **(b) Practices 2.2 & 3.4**

We have made some changes to the way we apply smoothing of payouts for conventional and ex-Colonial unitised policies to better achieve the way smoothing is described in the Principles.

#### **(c) Practices 5.3 & 5.5**

We have clarified the approach to reviewing investment strategy and how it is described within the PPFM.

We have also clarified our investment approach relating to assets backing asset shares ("return assets"), and assets backing other liabilities ("non-return assets").

#### **(d) Practices 5.6**

We have clarified how derivatives may be used.

#### **(e) Practices 5.7**

We have clarified the investment controls that are in place as outlined by the funds own investment mandate.

### **7. Changes effective from 1 January 2018**

#### **(a) General changes**

The PPFM has been amended from 1 January 2018. The changes have not been described here as they were minor corrections or clarifications to wording and make no material change to the PPFM.

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