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Summary
This circular provides replacement Transfer Value (TV-in) Factors as a result of the change to the SCAPE discount rate confirmed in the Budget on 29 October 2018. It requires immediate action.

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Introduction

1. FRAs and Scheme Administrators will already be aware of HM Treasury's proposals to reduce the SCAPE discount rate from 2.8% to 2.4%pa above CPI. This change was confirmed in the Budget announced on 29 October 2018 with immediate effect (as set out in [W-FRSC\(2018\)-10](#) issued on 1 November 2018).
2. The Government Actuary's Department (GAD) has revised the non-Club Transfer-In ("TV-in") factors based on a SCAPE discount rate of 2.4% net of CPI and, where appropriate, a long-term earnings growth assumption of 4.2% pa. They have been calculated on a unisex basis.

TV-in factors

3. The addendum attached at Annex 1 provides revised TV-in factors for those within the 2015 Scheme. The suspension of these cases can now be lifted and these factors can be used with **immediate effect**.
4. For the 2007 scheme, GAD expect that TV-in factors will be rarely used and as such intend to discontinue the factors and guidance issued previously and proceed on a case by case basis going forwards.

Guidance

5. GAD will update the guidance note and example calculations to reflect the revised factors at a later date and the Welsh Government will issue these as soon as work has been completed.

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