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Online Expenses

As we prepare to launch the new IPSA Online Homepage next month, some adjustments are needed to our existing systems. This means that the online expenses system, and Time@Work, will be unavailable from 9am to 12noon tomorrow, Friday 1 December, and from 6pm to midnight on Monday 4 December. We apologise for any inconvenience this causes. Here's a quick reminder about what IPSA Online is all about. It will bring all our current systems together in one place, with secure sign-on through your Parliamentary account. The new homepage will give direct access to the current expenses system, as well as a new online payslip function, which will go live in 2018. All the guidance and forms currently on the IPSA website will also be stored here and you will be able to view your costs and expenses data here before they are published. You can <u>read more about IPSA Online here</u>.

Annual IPSA Survey

The annual survey for MPs and MPs' staff to tell IPSA what you think about our service closes soon. Your feedback is vital and the survey <u>can be completed here</u>.

Parliament Survey on Bullying and Harassment

A survey is being conducted by the cross-party Working Group on an Independent Complaints and Grievance Policy for those that work in Parliament or with Parliament. This will help the Group to better understand the current situation with respect to bullying and harassment, including sexual harassment, to identify the issues that the independent policy needs to address, and hear how people think this might work best. To preserve anonymity the survey is being conducted by an external organisation, BMG Research, who have conducted previous staff surveys on behalf of the House of Commons and House of Lords.

This survey will close at 6pm on Sunday 3rd December 2017 and can be completed here.

MPs' Staff Pensions

Legal and General, who do the pension arrangements for MPs' staff, have revamped their website. This is the best place to visit for information about the pension scheme. You can view the new website here.

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