

Overview of changes made to the Principles and Practices of Financial Management

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The Principles and Practices of Financial Management (PPFM) were reviewed and an updated version published in April 2024. The PPFM is available on the Utmost Life and Pension's website www.utmost.co.uk.

No non-trivial changes were made to the principles set out in the PPFM.

The table below summarises the clarifications made to the principles set out in the PPFM.

Section reference	Changes made/comments
3.14	Updated to clarify that smoothing is considered at each bonus review rather than "from one year to the next"
3.23	Paragraph removed as it is a detailed Practice rather than a Principle

The table below summarises the non-trivial changes made in respect of the practices set out in the PPFM.

Section reference	Changes made/comments
4.11	Updated to clarify that it is assumed that as policyholders age, the focus shifts from prospects of higher long-term returns to stability of payouts.
6.7	Added to clarify that some costs of tracing policyholders may be charged to the relevant with-profits sub fund, in addition to the charges set out in Appendix B.
Appendix B, B2	Administration charges: table of charges updated to reflect indexation.