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Dear USS Member

I am writing with some updates and news for you.

USS Member Newsletter

The January member newsletter email has now been produced by USS Ltd and a copy is attached for your perusal. Alternatively, you can access the member email on the main USS website [here](#).

This newsletter contains links to a **podcast** by Alan Higham, USS Ltd's Chief Pensions Strategy and Engagement Officer. You can listen to the podcast online or download it to listen offline. It covers his covers the 5 most frequently asked questions from members, in the form of a question and answer conversation. Each question / section can be listened to individually, thus allowing you to hop to the section you are most interested in. The whole podcast lasts around 12 minutes.

If you have contributed to the Money Purchase AVCs with **Prudential** at any point, then please take note of section 4 as this gives information on the process of transferring the Prudential funds over to the Investment Builder.

My USS News

The member portal, [My USS](#), has some new enhancements which are now live. You can now see:

- the total contributions paid into the USS Investment Builder, including those made by the employer (where relevant),
- the contributions split month by month, and
- the current value of your investments.

For further information and screenshots of the changes, take a look at [What's new in My USS?](#).

Pensions Tax News

The attached member newsletter sets out some important deadlines for anyone who is affected by the Annual Allowance or Lifetime Allowance limits.

A separate email from me will follow shortly giving more information on pensions tax and the annual opportunity to elect for a Voluntary Salary Cap should this be an appropriate course of action for you. If you are unlikely to be affected by pensions tax, then you will have the email for reference but don't necessarily have to read all the way through it.

Quick reminder – for those who do or who are likely to have pensions tax issues, don't forget the Pensions Tax sessions we are running on Friday 10 February (details were given in my email

of 26 January). Please book a place, as set out in that email, by emailing pensions@reading.ac.uk with the subject line **Pensions Tax Morning** or **Pensions Tax Afternoon** for the sessions commencing 11:30 am and 15:00 pm respectively.

Kind regards

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