



# Modern Slavery Act statement

For the year 2020/21

This statement is made on behalf of Nest Corporation in accordance with section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 (MSA). Our statement includes Nest Invest Limited which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Nest Corporation.

Nest has zero tolerance for any activity which constitutes modern slavery or human trafficking under the Modern Slavery Act 2015.

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## Organisational structure and business

Nest employs around 310 permanent staff and operates in the pensions market as an auto enrolment pension scheme trustee. Nest is Trustee of the Nest pension scheme and as a public corporation is accountable to Parliament through the Department for Work and Pensions. To find out more please visit [nestpensions.org.uk](https://nestpensions.org.uk)

## Policies and procedures

Nest's staff handbook and whistleblowing procedure set out our organisational policies and the ethical principles upheld by our staff. Our main suppliers are investment fund managers, fund administrators, and suppliers of administration and professional services. We are committed to acting ethically and with integrity in all our business and supplier relationships. Further information can be found in our [corporate responsibility statement](#) and on [nestpensions.org.uk](https://nestpensions.org.uk)

## Due diligence of our supply chain and business

On the basis of our annual risk assessment, Nest's business activities and supply chain are considered low risk for modern slavery. We operate in the financial services industry. We and our major suppliers provide professional or financial services and are based in the UK, where we're contractually committed to comply with the MSA.

One supplier to Nest uses locations in India to provide professional and administrative services. Nest undertook enhanced due diligence on this supplier who confirmed that they support and comply with the MSA and specifically:

- Do not use child labour, forced labour or coercive employee practices, for example the confiscation of personal documents.

- Comply with legal requirements around pay, working hours, rest breaks and holidays.
- Undertake due diligence on new suppliers and existing suppliers.

### How Nest supports the MSA

- We enhance staff awareness of modern slavery through training and the promotion of modern slavery issues through multiple intranet articles.
- Our recruitment processes include background screening and right to work checks. We're also an accredited London Living Wage employer.
- We're an industry leader in ESG (environmental, social and governance) investment, using our funds and our voting and engagement policy to encourage positive workforce practices - including reporting modern slavery risks.
- We monitor and report on our MSA compliance actions to Nest's audit committee.

This statement has been approved by Nest and constitutes the section 54 Modern Slavery Act statement covering the period from 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021.

## Signed on behalf of Nest Corporation

Chief Executive Officer:

Helen Dean

Date:

18 June 2021