

## **Appendix B**

### Criteria Used to Assess Eligibility for 50% Discount to the Contribution Charge

#### Definition of low income

Low income relates to children who are entitled to free school meals and the annual family household income is less than £7,400, or where the family is in receipt of the qualifying benefits for free school meals.

The qualifying benefits for free schools meals are:-

- Universal Credit - provided that the applicant has an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400
- Income-based Jobseekers' allowance
- Income-related employment and support allowance
- Child tax credit, provided the applicant is not entitled to working tax credit, and have an annual household income as assessed by HM Revenue and Customs that does not exceed £16,190
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Guaranteed element of state Pension Credit