



News Release

West Midlands Pension Fund launches online portal for pension information

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Councillors Bert Turner and Tersaim Singh launch the new web portal

The West Midlands Pension Fund launches a new online portal for its members which will provide secure access to their Local Government Pension Scheme records.

The West Midlands Pension Fund web portal will enable its members, and the members of the West Midlands Integrated Transport Authority (ITA) Pension Fund, to register for access to a secure website where they will be able to keep the Fund updated with their personal details, ask questions, access annual benefits statements and run pension estimate calculations in order to plan for their retirement. Current pensioners of the West Midlands Pension Fund and the West Midlands ITA Pension Fund will also be able to view pension pay information via the portal.

Councillor Tersaim Singh, Chair of Pensions Committee for the West Midlands Pension Fund, says, "The Fund understands that there is an expectation from our members for instant information relating to their retirement planning and finances. The Fund's web portal will provide this."

"The portal is also beneficial to our employers. Following a preview at the Fund's first Annual General Meeting in December 2012, 20% of our employers registered to use the portal, stating that they were very impressed with the efficiencies that the web portal can provide their organisations. We are expecting that this number to increase considerably following the formal launch of the site."

Geik Drever, Director of Pensions for the West Midlands Pension Fund says, "The web portal is a fantastic way of bringing key services together in one place, providing a convenient and efficient customer-focused service for both our employers and members."

Members of both pension funds who wish to register for the web portal can do so at <https://portal.wmpfonline.com/UPMWebApp/home.page>

Employers can also contact the Fund's Employer Services team to arrange access to this service.

Further information can be obtained from the West Midlands Pension Fund's website, which also launches its new logo and branding on 28 March 2013, at <http://wmpfonline.com>

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