



Derbyshire Pension Fund

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Employer Forum registration and Funding Strategy Statement

On 20 November 2025, we issued a communication to your main contacts and finance officers to provide you with an update on the 2025 valuation. Two important aspects are the upcoming Employer Forum and also the opening of the Fund's consultation on the draft Funding Strategy Statement.

Employer Forum

We will be hosting a virtual Employer Forum webinar on Thursday, 11 December 2025, where the Fund's actuary will deliver a presentation to explain the process of determining the valuation results and outline the next steps.

Your attendance is strongly encouraged, as the Forum will provide clarity on how outcomes were reached and give you the opportunity to ask questions about the valuation to the Fund and our actuary:

[Register for the Employer Forum](#)

Funding Strategy Statement consultation

Immediately following the Employer Forum, the Fund will open its consultation on the revised [Funding Strategy Statement](#). The Statement will set out how the Fund manages risk and determines employer contribution rates. It is a fundamental policy document which underpins the application of the actuarial valuation across all employers.

Feedback from employers is important because the Statement directly influences how future contribution rates are determined and how funding risks are managed.

All employers will be invited to review the draft Funding Strategy Statement and provide comments during the consultation period, which is due to end on 1 February 2026.

Opportunity to join Derbyshire Pension Board

There will shortly be a vacancy for an Employer Representative on the [Derbyshire Pension Board](#).



This is a rare opportunity for someone from one of our Fund employers to play an active role in shaping the future of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) in Derbyshire.

For full details about the role, guidance on how to apply, and to download the Expression of Interest form, please visit our [news item](#).

Closing date: 31 December 2025



Pensions Dashboards Programme

[Pensions Dashboards](#) will enable individuals to access their pensions information online, securely and all in one place. Dashboards will provide clear and simple information about an individual's multiple pension savings, including their State Pension.

When Pensions Dashboards become available to the public, users will firstly need to pass identity verification using GOV.UK One Login.

To acquire a full match to a pension record, the details provided by the member through GOV.UK One Login will need to match our records.

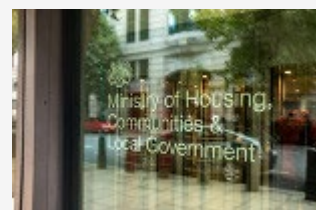
It is extremely important that you check every [i-Connect](#) submission contains accurate personal information for every member, including address details. This will ensure our records are up to date and will help the member to locate their pension with us when using Pensions Dashboards. This also helps members register for our self-service portal, [My Pension Online](#).

We have successfully connected our database to the Pensions Dashboards. We may start to receive queries as the Pensions Dashboards Programme continue with user testing. This may result in additional queries from the Fund that will require a prompt response.

There is currently no date set for when the public will be able to access Pensions Dashboards. When this date is announced or we have any further updates, we will include details on a future newsletter.

LGPS consultation: Scheme Improvements (Access and Protections) reminder

In issue 225 we let our employers know about an open [Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government \(MHCLG\) consultation](#).



The consultation covers 4 areas relating to access to the LGPS and its benefits as follows:

- Normal minimum pension age
- Pension access for councillors and mayors
- Academies in the LGPS
- New Fair Deal

Please share our [Scheme Improvements \(Access and Protections\) consultation news item](#) with your LGPS eligible members to make them aware of this consultation.

If you and your members wish to respond to the consultation, MHCLG's preferred method is by their [online survey](#).

The consultation is open until 22 December 2025.

Employee details changes

It's important that you let us know as soon as possible when an employee's details change, for example, title, name, address. This helps us to minimise the risk of data breaches occurring.

If you're not using i-Connect yet, please notify us using the C1 form when any of your LGPS members change their personal and contact details. Member notification forms are on the [forms for employers](#) section of our website.

Email addresses

Our email addresses and what they are used for:

dpf.employers@derbyshire.gov.uk - For submitting [member notification forms](#)

pensions.tech@derbyshire.gov.uk - For submitting [contribution returns](#) (CR1s) and payment queries

pensions.regs@derbyshire.gov.uk - For queries relating to [i-Connect](#) onboarding, regulations, training and events

For queries and requests from members of the LGPS, please direct them to the [enquiry form](#) on our website.

**If you have any queries about the information provided in this Newsletter,
or about the LGPS in general, please contact us at:**

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