# Warwickshire Pension Fund Employer Update 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025



## **Code of Practice**

- https://www.thepensionsregulator.gov.uk/en/documentlibrary/code-of-practice.
- In March 2024, the Pension Regulator issued a new single code of practice that covers all pension schemes.
- The code sets out expectations of the conduct and practice that governing bodies should meet to comply with their duties in pensions legislation.
- Replaces 13 individual codes.
- 5 modules for consideration for the LGPS



## **Modules**

- The Governing Body
- Funding and Investment
- Administration
- Communications and Disclosure
- Reporting to the Pension Regulator

Code includes governance requirements around new areas, such as cyber security and scams



# **Fund Approach**

AON were engaged as independent external advisors to review current governance arrangements compared to the new general code.

The review was commissioned by the Fund, it provides a good opportunity to identify and consider any areas for development which will help the Fund to continuously improve and will also help to prepare the Fund for the likely "biennial reviews" which are a feature of the government's proposals in the "Fit for the Future" consultation.



Although the review identified some areas rated amber or red, the Fund was found to be in a good position compared to other funds and has been able to provide substantial evidence of policies already in place.

	Green	Amber	Red	Total
The Governing Body	102	35	6	143
Funding and Investment	36	1	0	37
Administration	80	6	2	88
Communications and Disclosure	32	3	1	36
Reporting to TPR	13	1	0	14
Total	263	46	9	318
%	83%	14%	3%	100%



# **Action Plan**

Project	Number of
	Review
	Items
Administration and monitoring	9
Administration policies and procedures	8
Business planning	4
Committee and board governance	15
Committee and board processes	12
Internal controls	3
Managing advisors and service providers	9
Managing risks and business continuity	12
Procedure controls	1
Reporting	3
Training policy	17
Total	93



# **Fund Approach**

Initial results reported to Staff and Pension Committee and the Local Pension Board

Project team created

Each action given an owner and a completion deadline

Monthly meetings where every action is RAG rated

Project updates reported quarterly

Completion deadline of 31st March 2026



# National Pension Dashboard Program

- Secure online system where individuals can log on and access information about all pensions in one place, including the state pension data
- The Fund are working towards a connection deadline of 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025
- Procured an Integrated Service Provider (ISP) that will connect our administration system to the national dashboard
- Tight deadlines for return of data and system availability. E.g less than 13 months old or 10 days to provide missing value data



# What it might look like

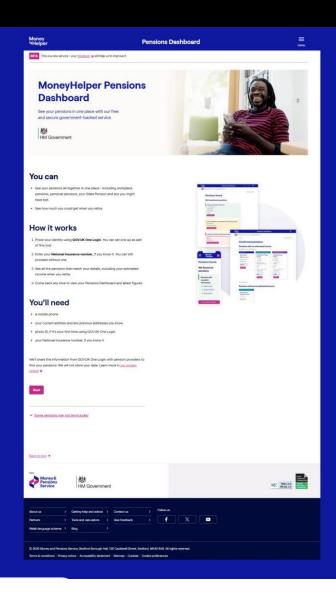
- Data to be returned will be Annual Benefit Statement data showing current value and value projected to state pension age.
- Stage 2 of our ISP connection will be complete in early October
- No indication of the digital access point which is when this will be launched to the public, schemes will be given a 6 month notice





# The landing page Users will begin their journey on the MoneyHelper Pensions Dashboard (MHPD) landing page.

Note: while the journey set out in the following slides is for desktop, the service will scale for mobile and tablet.





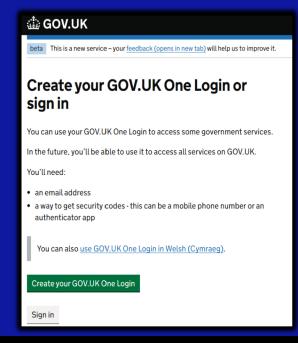


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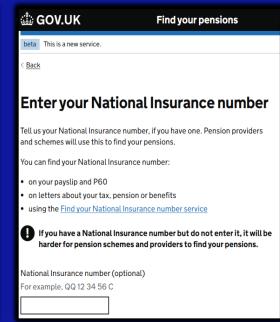
Users will move into the Find and ID part of the service.

📤 GOV.UK **Find your pensions** beta This is a new service. Back **Find your pensions** Find your workplace pensions, private pensions and the State Pension - even pensions you have forgotten about. The Find your pensions service is provided by the Money and Pensions Service (MaPS), a government agency. How to use it Step One: Prove your identity. We use GOV.UK One Login to do this. Step Two: Provide us with some personal information, including your National Insurance number, if you have one. Step Three: Search for your pensions: these will be displayed on your personal dashboard. Sign in or create your GOV.UK One Login

They'll need to create or log in to their existing GOV.UK One Login account and prove their identity.



Finally, users will be able to add their National Insurance number before initiating a search for their pensions.



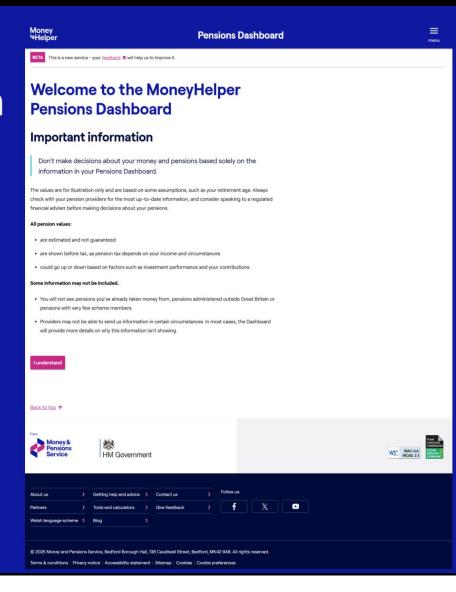




## Important information

After initiating a search for their pensions in the Find and ID part of the service, users will be passed back to MHPD.

Upon returning to MHPD, users will be provided with a set of warnings, as set out in the PDP design standards and FCA rules, prior to being able to view the MHPD.



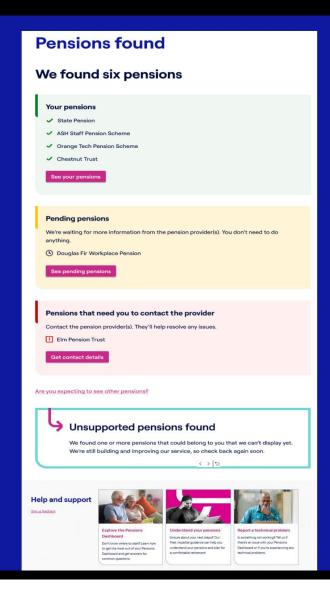




## **Pensions found**

After we have received the user's data back from providers and schemes, the user will then be shown an overview of the results of the view requests.

This helps the user understand what we have found and whether we have all the information we are expecting from their pension schemes.



Pensions in the green channel are those that have matched with the user and all the expected information has been returned.

Pensions in the amber channel are those that have matched but some data has not yet been returned.

Pensions will appear in the red channel if a partial match has been returned or contact with the pension provider or scheme is required.

This message will display if a pension type is returned that we cannot handle fully during initial testing.



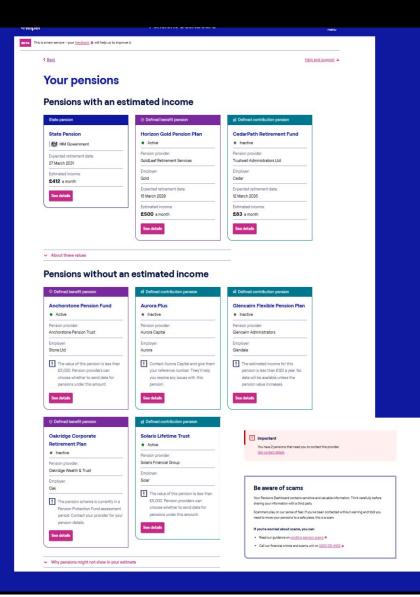


## **Your pensions**

During initial testing we will only display details for the State Pension, defined contribution (DC) and defined benefit (DB) pensions.

Over time we will develop the service to be able to handle all pension types.

This page provides the key information for each pension returned that users have told us is most important for them to understand.



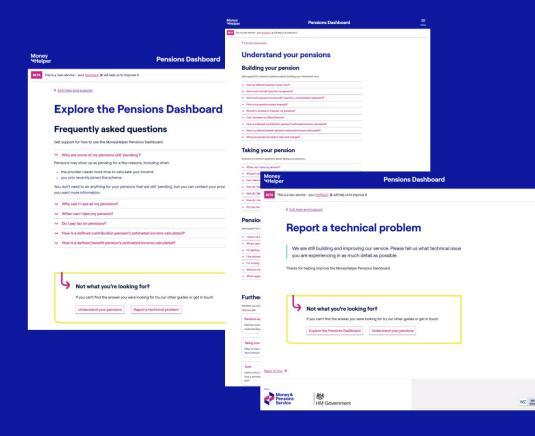




## Help and support

The help and support pages will provide a user with:

- support in using the dashboard
- some pensions guidance to help them understand the information on their dashboard
- support for any technical problems





# **MoneyHelper Pensions Dashboard roadmap**





#### July - September



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#### Content updates and bug fixes

Address minor bugs and apply content updates based on testing and industry input.



#### Improve DC and DB details pages

Make pension details clearer and more user-friendly.



#### Analytics and screen replay

McCloud schemes

pensions are displayed.

Add enhanced analytics and screen replay tools for research insights.

Prepare for October connections by

reviewing and updating how these



#### Enable additional pension types to gather

**Pension summaries** 

sentence(s).

further insights.

Help & support for unmoderated testing

Finalise and enable the summary view,

Matching and multiple illustrations

**Enable AVC and HYB pension types** 

Improve how multiple illustrations are

handled to support user understanding.

including pension timeline and summary

Refine help content and prepare feedback mechanisms for unmoderated research.



#### October - December



#### Welsh translation

Translate the service and test with Welsh-speaking users.



#### **Enable CDC and CB pension types**

Enable additional pension types to gather further insights.



#### Return to find journey

Allow users to return to the 'find' experience from the dashboard.



#### **Enable downloads**

Let users export their data and download it.



#### **Onward guidance**

Initial integration and testing of onwards guidance from the dashboard.

Research, feedback and iteration based on consumer and industry feedback



## Consumer testing — target timeline will flex with outcomes





# Matching criteria

- There are 3 distinct match levels within the Pensions Dashboard as a result of a member request:
- 1. Full Match
- 2. Partial Match
- 3. No Match
- For Full Matches, the Fund via the ISP will automatically send pension value data directly to the member Dashboard for them to view their pension details.
- For No Matches, no data will be sent to the member Dashboard.



# Matching criteria

- For Partial Matches, no pension value data will be provided, but the member will be informed that they may have a match at the Fund and will be asked to contact the fund to further prove their identity. If, after the member contacts a fund, it is deemed that the match is confirmed, pension value data is returned to the Dashboard.
- The Fund to decide what data they will accept as a full match versus a partial match.



# **Matching criteria**

Reference	Data element	Description
Core 'unedit	able' verified data items - will always be in a Find	Request
1.001	first name/given name/forename	First name/given name/forename of the user
1.003	surname	Surname of the user
1.005	date of birth	Date of birth of the user
1.023	email	Email address verified by One Login

#### Additional 'uneditable' data items - that may be provided in a Find Request

1.014 - 1.021	address and postcode	Address of the user which has been confirmed to be associated with the user during IDV
1.027	mobile number	Mobile phone number verified by One Login

#### Additional data item that may be entered by the saver (not verified)

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#### Alternative data items which could be entered by the saver (not verified)

1.009	alternate first name/given name/forename	Any alternate first name/given name/forename of the user
1.011	alternate surname	Any alternate surname of the user
1.025	alternate email	Alternative email address of the user
1.029	alternate phone number	Alternative phone number of the user
1.014 - 1.021	alternative addresses	Alternative addresses (such as previous)



## AVC's

- Three options for return of AVC data
- Standard Life will return data via multi source link return. GUID shared with Standard Life so data will be linked within the dashboard
- Utmost Life will return data via a single source. By returning data to the Fund annually, where it will be held in our administration system and returned to the dashboard with main scheme data



## **Data Work**

- Focus for Fund between connection date and launch date
- The Pension Regulator working with Funds and issuing questionnaires around data scores, data actions
- Annual data quality report produced in Q3 each year
- Procurement of data cleansing and enhancing tool, three year contract to ensure data is up to date

### **Any Questions?**



#### **Warwickshire Pension Fund**

- AGM Save the date
- Old courts in Warwick, 11<sup>th</sup> December
- Chance to discuss valuation results with fund actuary
- Contact us
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