

AVON PENSIONER newsletter



AVON PENSION FUND'S NEWSLETTER FOR OUR MEMBERS WHO ARE RECEIVING A PENSION

Increase in pension payments for 2017

1%

There is a 1% rise in the pension that you get from the Avon Pension Fund from April 2017.

Your annual pension is reviewed each April and the amount of Pensions Increase (PI) is based on an index specified by the government. PI is currently based on the change in the Consumer Prices Index (CPI) in the 12 month period up to the end of the previous September. The CPI was set at 1% for this period.

The Consumer Prices Index (CPI) measures changes in the price level of selected consumer goods and services purchased by households. The CPI is an estimate constructed using the prices of a sample of representative items whose prices are collected periodically.

Sign up for "my pension online"

View your pension details, including your monthly payslips, through 'my pension online'. Just go to www.avonpensionfund.org.uk and click on the "my pension online" logo.

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Some frequently asked questions (FAQs) you may have about your pension



What happens to the pension I receive when I die?

Your pension ceases on your death. We must be notified of your death as soon as possible to avoid pensions over payments. We will need to see a copy of the death certificate when it is available. A lump sum death grant and Survivor's Pension benefits may be payable in the event of your death.

How do I nominate someone to receive any lump sum in the event of my death?

As a pensioner member of the LGPS you may be eligible to have a lump sum paid on your death. Eligibility depends on how long you have been getting your pension and when you left. To nominate someone to receive this just complete a death grant expression of wish nomination form. You can do this by signing up to my pension online at www.avonpensionfund.org.uk or you can download the form from our website and send it in to us. It's available at www.avonpensionfund.org.uk/nomination-forms

What if I go to live abroad - what happens to my pension?

We can pay your pension into overseas bank accounts through Western Union. The amount of pension you'll receive each month will depend on the exchange rate at the time of payment. Contact us to set this up.

Is my pension affected if I return to work?

Your pension is not affected if you return to work, unless you have been retired by reason of ill-health, efficiency, redundancy or your employer has agreed to the early release of your pension on leaving.

If this is the case then if you take up further employment with an employer which participates in the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS), your pension may be reduced or suspended. You must notify the Avon Pension Fund if these changes apply.

The State Pension

In addition to your LGPS benefits, you may also qualify for a state retirement pension paid by the government from State Pension Age.

For more information about the State Pension go to our website at www.avonpensionfund.org.uk/state-pension or view the HM Government website at: <https://yourstatepension.campaign.gov.uk/>

Pay day diary dates 2017/18

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904 Pay Days are marked in green



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