

Abertillery and Llanhilleth Community Council (693)

Greater Gwent (Torfaen) Pension Fund

2025 Actuarial Valuation - Notification of draft employer results

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This schedule should be read in conjunction with the Fund's draft Funding Strategy Statement (the FSS).

This schedule contains a summary of the draft results of the 2025 actuarial valuation of the Greater Gwent (Torfaen) Pension Fund (the Fund), specifically those relating to the Employer or Pool/Group named above. Its main purpose is to notify the Administering Authority of the contribution rates payable by the Employer from 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2029 as well as the Employer's funding position on the valuation date (31 March 2025). This schedule has not been prepared for any other purpose.

This schedule also contains detailed technical information explaining the results and how they compare to the last valuation, which may be when the Employer joined the Fund.

It also contains the data and assumptions underlying the results and the reliances and limitations which apply to them. Please see the appendices for more information and read these in conjunction with the draft Funding Strategy Statement.

Surplus/(deficit)

£81.2k

+£92.5k vs last valuation

Funding level

141%

+89% vs last valuation

Contributions from 1 April 2026

15.8% of pay

Contribution rates

The minimum employer contributions payable for the three-year period from 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2029 are set out in the following table (alongside the current contributions). The final contributions will be formally certified in the Fund's Rates and Adjustments Certificate.

Employer contributions for year ending	Primary rate	Secondary contributions*		Total contributions*	
	% of pay	% of pay	£	% of pay	£
31 March 2026	21.4%	0.0%	£1,000	21.4%	£1,000
31 March 2027	18.8%	(3.0%)	-	15.8%	-
31 March 2028	18.8%	(3.0%)	-	15.8%	-
31 March 2029	18.8%	(3.0%)	-	15.8%	-

*Contributions may include a percent of pay and monetary element, both of which are payable.

Employer contributions have been set in accordance with the draft FSS as agreed by the Administering Authority. The Primary rate includes an allowance of 0.5% of pay for administration expenses. Employee contributions averaging 5.8% of pay are payable in addition to employer contributions.

Employer details and funding plan

The contribution rates payable from 1 April 2026 have been determined based on the following funding strategy and employer circumstances:

	Last valuation	This valuation
Employer Type		Town and Community Councils
Funding pool		Individual
Investment strategy	Whole Fund	Whole Fund
Open / closed to new entrants	Open	Open
Funding target (see FSS for details)	Ongoing	Ongoing
Funding time horizon (years)	20	20
Minimum likelihood of achieving funding target by end of time horizon	70%	80%

The Employer's funding parameters are the default parameters for its employer type and circumstances.

This funding strategy has been determined by the Administering Authority, taking into account the type of organisation the Employer is and the nature of its participation in the Fund. The approach to setting employer contribution rates, and the Employer's funding target, is explained further in the draft FSS. Further details on the investment strategy is included in the Fund's Investment Strategy Statement.

Funding position

The table below shows the Employer's funding position as at 31 March 2025 on the Fund's Ongoing basis (as defined in the Fund's draft FSS), alongside the funding position at the last valuation for comparison.

Monetary amounts in £000	Last valuation	This valuation
	Ongoing basis	Ongoing basis
Asset share	12	279
Past-service liabilities		
Employees	24	92
Deferred pensioners	-	106
Pensioners	-	-
Total liabilities	24	198
Surplus/(Deficit)	(11)	81
Funding level	52%	141%

The funding position only covers assets and liabilities accrued up to the calculation date (past service), it does not consider the cost of benefits that will be earned in the future (future service).

Change in funding position

The following table helps to explain the changes in the Employer's assets and liabilities over the period since the last valuation. Due to rounding the columns may not add up exactly.

	£000	Assets	Liabilities	Surplus / (deficit)
	Last valuation	12	24	(11)
Cashflows	Employer contributions paid in	42		42
	Employee contributions paid in	12		12
	Benefits paid out			
	Other cashflows (e.g. expenses, transfers)	185		185
Changes since last valuation	Expected growth	21	7	13
	Accrual of new benefits		70	(70)
	Membership experience		193	(193)
	Excess return on assets	7		7
Changes in actuarial assumptions	Financial assumptions		(86)	86
	Longevity assumptions		(2)	2
	Other demographic assumptions		(8)	8
	This valuation	279	198	81

Appendix A - Data

A.1 Membership data

The results in this schedule are based on the membership data summarised below which was supplied to us by the Fund for the purpose of the 2025 formal valuation.

		Last valuation	This valuation
Employee members	Number	3	3
	Total actual pay (£000)	59	85
	Total accrued benefit (£000)	1	11
	Average age	60.4	55.0
Deferred pensioners	Number		2
	Total accrued benefit (£000)		10
	Average age		60.9
Pensioners and dependants	Number		
	Total accrued benefit (£000)		
	Average age		

Average ages are weighted by liability.

Appendix B - Assumptions

B.1 Financial assumptions

The financial assumptions underlying the funding positions disclosed are detailed below (with comparison to those adopted at the last valuation).

Assumption (% p.a.)	Last valuation	This valuation
	Ongoing basis	Ongoing basis
Discount rate	4.3%	6.0%
Pension increases	2.7%	2.3%
Salary increases*	3.2%	3.0%

*This is in respect of inflationary increases. There is a separate promotional salary scale assumption.

For further details on the methodology used to derive the assumptions, please see the draft FSS.

B.2 Demographic assumptions

The longevity assumptions underlying the funding positions disclosed are detailed below (with comparison to those adopted at the last valuation). Details of the demographic assumptions are available within the draft FSS.

Assumption	Last valuation	This valuation
	Ongoing basis	Ongoing basis
Baseline longevity	2021 VitaCurves	2024 VitaCurves
Future improvements	CMI 2021: A=0.25%; LTR=1.5%; Sk=7 (Cessation mortality is identical except for LTR=1.75%)	CMI 2024: Core parameterisation except, A=0.25%, LTR = 1.5%

Based on the above assumptions and the characteristics of the Employer's individual membership, the average life expectancies are summarised below.

Life expectancy (years)	Ongoing basis	
	Male	Female
Current pensioners	20.6	23.5
Future pensioners	21.4	23.5

Life expectancies are from age 65. Future pensioners are assumed to be aged 45 at the valuation date. Figures for future pensioners are a weighted average of active and deferred members.

Appendix C - Important information

C.1 Addressee and purpose

This schedule is addressed to the Fund's Administering Authority to notify it of the Employer's draft principal results from the 2025 actuarial valuation. It may be shared with the Employer and, if applicable, its advisor(s) on the basis set out below.

C.2 Reliances and limitations

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The draft Funding Strategy Statement (FSS) contains further information on the assumptions and methodology used to calculate the results set out in this schedule.

The contribution rates shown in this schedule should be considered draft until finalised in the Rates and Adjustments Certificate, due to be published by 31 March 2026. Any other results may also be revised by that point, for example due to changes in data or assumptions.

Some figures shown in this schedule have been rounded and therefore the sum of figures within a table may not add up exactly.

For any questions on the FSS or the results in this schedule, please contact the Fund in the first instance.

Technical Actuarial Standard (TAS) 100 has been complied with to a proportionate degree in the preparation of this report.

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