

## West Midlands Pension Fund wins Professional Pensions Scheme of the Year Award 2015 - Trustee Development

The West Midlands Pension Fund has won a prestigious industry award for its Trustee Development Program in recognition of the hard work and dedication of its Trustees in ensuring continual growth and development in their knowledge and skills.

The Fund developed the training program following feedback on how best to deliver training and are now receiving comments that 98% of training exceeds Trustees expectations.

In addition the Fund was shortlisted for each of the four categories entered in these awards.

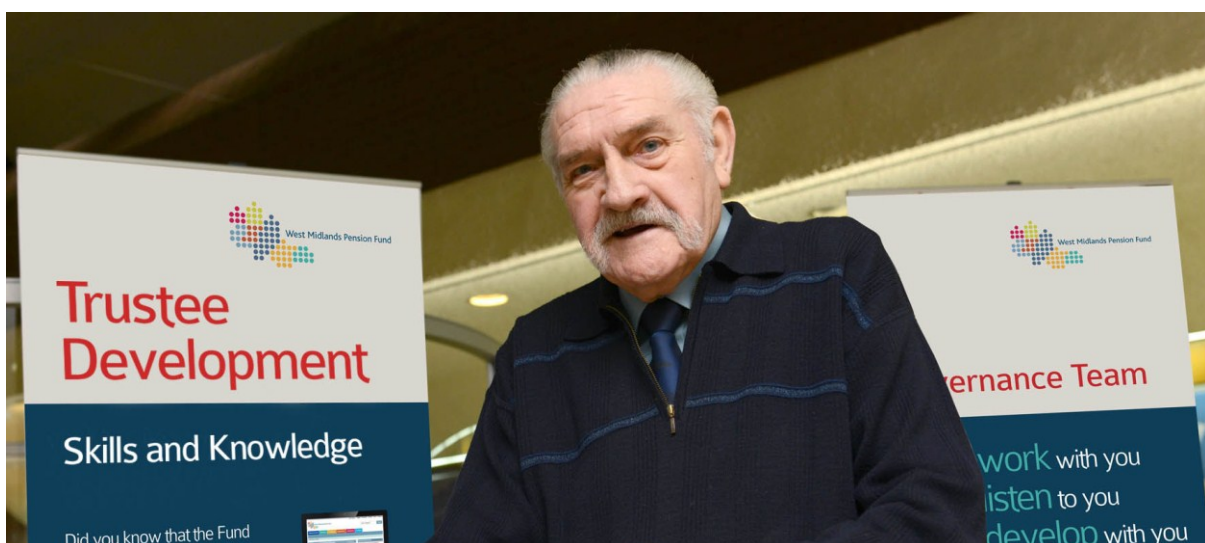
This is the second time the Fund has won an award for its Trustee Development Program, having won a similar category last year from the Local Government Chronicle Investment Awards, as well as being one of the first UK pension funds to be accredited with the CIPFA Mark of Governance excellence.

In the same month, the Fund received a “Highly Commended” acknowledgement from the LAPF Investment Awards for “Best approach to Responsible Investment”.

Councillor Thomas Turner, Chair of Pensions Committee for the West Midlands Pension Fund stated, “We are extremely proud to have won this award which shows the continuing development of our Trustees. As Trustees we represent the pensions of our members and it is brilliant that we can offer this high level training. I would like to thank my fellow Trustees and Pension Board members for their commitment to training and meeting the fund requirements”

For more information on the training delivered by the Fund please contact

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## **Notes for Editors**

The West Midlands Pension Fund is one of the largest funds of the LGPS in England and Wales. As at 31 March 2015, it provided pension services to 277,558 current and former employees of the seven West Midlands district councils and 473 participating employers. The Fund was valued at £11.4 billion on that date and employed 116 FTE members of staff.

The West Midlands Pension Fund strives to be a best practice organisation, delivering a customer-focused service, while providing value for money to its stakeholders.

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