

The Pensions Policy Institute

The Pensions Policy Institute is an educational, independent research charity with an objective to inform the policy debate on pensions and retirement income provision.

Our research provides the facts and encourage debate and enables us to be a well-informed analyst and commentator on pensions policy. As a **registered charity**, the PPI receive no central funding and the research is either sponsored, or forms part of the core work which is funded by the Supporting Members Scheme.

PENSIONS POLICY INSTITUTE

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Research reports

Describe, analyse and model all areas of pensions policy in depth to produce fact-based reports. Our reports are almost always sponsored by at least one organisation.



Briefing Notes

Provide short summaries and clarify topical pension policy issues. Briefing Notes are included in **core work**, though some are sponsored.



Modelling

PPI have developed a suite of economic models that allow modelling of the hypothetical individuals, aggregate costs and distributional implications of various pension policies.



The Pensions Primer

Contains a detailed description of the UK pensions system and is an invaluable reference tool. The Primer is part of the PPI's **core work**.



Pension Facts

Brings together the most up to date information and statistics on pensions and demographic data. Pension Facts is part of the PPI's **core work**.



Consultation responses

Respond to consultations and calls for evidence within the pensions and retirement area, and provide oral evidence when requested. Responses are part of the PPI's **core work**.



Knowledge Sharing Seminars

Training seminars held by the PPI to provide a basic overview of the pensions system and pensions policy.



Events

Our events include research launch events, roundtables, exhibitor stands at trade conferences, the annual House of Lords Dinner, Party Conference fringe events and members events.



Supporting Members

As a charity, the PPI rely on annual donations from Members to fund the **core work**. Without Supporting Members, the PPI would not exist.



Media engagement

The PPI produce press releases for research, write articles for trade press and appear on TV and radio to discuss pensions policy.



Speaking engagements

PPI staff speak at many external events to provide impartial, fact-based commentary on selected topics.



Industry engagement

Continuous communication on a range of topics with other organisations within the field. All organisations are eligible to sponsor research as long as it fits within the charitable objective.

Speaking opportunities

The PPI team members are all accomplished speakers on the circuit, appearing regularly at trade conferences, radio and TV. The PPI will provide the facts on any subject within the pensions and retirement genre and can link to recent PPI research conducted. Our opinions are unbiased and unaffiliated and will provide a solid baseline for any debate.

For more information, please email Danielle Baker:danielle@pensionspolicyinstitute.org.uk



Chris Curry
Director

Chris has overall responsibility for leading and managing the PPI. Chris originally joined the PPI as Research Director in July 2002 and was responsible for the research programme for eleven years. At the PPI Chris has authored and presented a number of research reports analysing and other provision for retirement income.

In 2017, Chris was one of the three co-chairs for the DWP Automatic Enrolment Review Advisory Group. The review looked at ensuring workplace pensions continue to meet the needs of individual savers, and employers, whilst remaining fair, affordable and sustainable for future generations. Chris led on the theme of Contributions. The review was completed in December 2017.

Chris started his career as an Economic Adviser at the Department of Social Security (now DWP), before joining the ABI as Senior Economist. Chris has a BSc (Hons) in Economics from the University of Warwick, and an MSc in Economics from Queen Mary and Westfield College, University of London.



Sarah Luheshi
Deputy Director

Sarah Luheshi has overall responsibility for the PPI's research programme, as well as supporting the PPI's Director. She has over thirty years' experience in financial services, initially working for a FTSE 100 composite insurance company and then as a management consultant, both in the UK and overseas. The majority of her 15 years as a management consultant focused on delivering quantitative and qualitative research projects for major clients, with an emphasis on private pensions.

She has presented and spoken at a number of events on a range of topics including lessons from around the international pension world, tax relief, the complexity of DC consumer decision making and IGCs.



Daniela Silcock
Head of Policy Research

Daniela Silcock is Head of Policy Research at the Pensions Policy Institute, and she leads the PPI Policy Research team. She has a wealth of experience in conducting quantitative and qualitative research into all aspects of state and private pensions policy, writing articles for journals and national press, and presenting to a variety of domestic and international audiences, including radio and television appearances.

Daniela originally joined the PPI in 2008 and took a short break in 2012 to work as a Committee Specialist for the Work and Pensions Select Committee.



Tim Pike
Head of Modelling

Tim Pike is the Head of Modelling of the PPI responsible for delivering the models and modelling to support the PPI's current research program. The modelling includes projections of individual outcomes, of costs to the state and the impact of pensions policy upon the pensioner and saving populations.

Tim has authored reports and his analysis is used to inform and illustrate others, considering both state and private pension systems. Recent topics have included tax relief, private pension saving, State Pension age, and understanding of the saving population. Tim joined the PPI in July 2015 from Legal and General where he spent nearly ten years contributing to a wide variety of actuarial modelling projects, from financial reporting to annuity pricing.