



## CHALLENGE to ALL MPs

Do you know how YOU  
could put **£££££s** into your local  
economy while also supporting the  
**Government's Levelling Up Agenda?**

If the 1950s women were awarded **fair and fast** compensation for the loss of their State Pension then this could result in millions of £££££s going into local economies. This would also assist in reducing the economic imbalances between constituencies across the UK.

**Just one example – if the 15,000 women in Ayrshire who have been deprived of a full 6 years of their state pension and were compensated by only ¼ of what is owed to them, this would result in £150 million pounds being spent in the local community\*. If this group were awarded the Ombudsman's recommended compensation at level 6, that would equate to similar figures too.**

The **Ombudsman** has ruled that the DWP should have given more notice to the women before raising their state retirement age. In response, the **APPG on State Pension Inequality for Women** strongly states that **NOW** is the time for the Ombudsman to recommend that the 1950s women be given fast and proper compensation at the highest level.

In addition, **over 60% would go back to the Treasury\*\*** in income tax, national insurance, VAT etc., from the women and local businesses, so the net cost to the Government of doing the right thing for the 1950s women is substantially lower than the gross cost.\*\*

**Help us convince the Government that**  
**there is more to gain than lose by**  
**offering immediate compensation to all**  
**1950s women**

## **Further Examples of the Benefits to Local Economies**

### **Business**

- this increased spending by the women would result in more money going into local shops and businesses.
- businesses would need to recruit additional staff in order to meet the increased demand
- additional apprenticeships / trainee jobs could be created because of the increased business and possibly by women feeling able to retire.

### **Levelling Up**

- more money going into communities would help reduce the inequality between places and help redress the imbalances in some communities, both in economic and social impacts.

### **Wellbeing**

- it would enable women and their families to feel comfortable, healthy and happier in everyday life.

### **Creating a positive impact on local communities**

- more women would be able to retire and participate in volunteering roles.
- there could be a reduction in the number of unemployed young people, as vacancies are created by women retiring.
- if both women and men were able to retire earlier, it would enable them to have a healthier life, therefore reducing the demand on health and social services.

### **Creating a positive impact on families**

- women would be able to spend more time with grandchildren, allowing parents to go to work / increase hours / enter further education.
- more money would go into households, thus reducing the reliance on benefits.

**Ayrshire Waspi Group** would be pleased to hear from you and discuss how you can help our campaign or if you would like further details of our figures:

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\* Reference – House of Commons library (Commons Briefing Paper –CPB- 7405) provides the estimates of women affected by constituency. Also, “Which Money” for the average cost of the annual State Pension.

\*\* <https://ifs.org.uk/taxlab/key-questions/where-does-government-get-its-money>