Template letter to your MP

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Below is a template letter to send to your MP. Remove the wording in red and replace with the relevant information. **Please personalise the letter with your own information as we know MPs are most affected by personal stories.**

Dear (Mr/Mrs/Ms xxxxx)

I am a WASPI woman, born in the 1950s. In 1995 the Government increased my State Pension age from 60 to 65. However, I was not informed. I only heard about that increase when the Government wrote to tell me about the subsequent increase from 65-66 in 2011. This gave me insufficient notice to make alternative plans for my retirement.

I am not opposed to the equalisation of the State Pension age with men; however, the lack of notice has caused me to be disadvantaged financially, physically and emotionally, and I have suffered from loss of opportunity as a result of not knowing my State Pension age had changed. (provide information where it applies to you)

The Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman has found that there was maladministration in the way the DWP failed to inform me about the increase to my State Pension age. He is now considering what injustice was caused by this bad management, and what remedy would be appropriate.

The Ombudsman began his investigation in October 2018 and has still not completed the process of investigating six sample cases. While appreciating a thorough investigation is necessary, a WASPI woman like me is dying every 13 minutes, and to date over 250,000 women have already died waiting for this investigation to be concluded. I am campaigning with the WASPI Campaign for fair and fast compensation for each of us who have been affected by this. Currently 3.6 million women.

As we approach a general election, I would also ask you to reflect on the number of women affected in your constituency which can be seen here on this House of Commons Library Briefing

[Estimates of women affected by State Pension age changes in each constituency (287 KB , Excel Spreadsheet )](https://researchbriefings.files.parliament.uk/documents/CBP-7405/CBP07405-constituency-estimates-2021-update.xlsx)(287 KB , Excel Spreadsheet) **Click on “Constituency Estimates” Tab on the bottom left.**

As my MP I am asking you to bring whatever pressure to bear you can on the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, and the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman to draw this historic injustice to an end.

Yours sincerely

Your name

Your address