



Press Release
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Melin Homes achieves national recognition

Local housing association Melin Homes is delighted to have been awarded Investors in People (IIP) status.

The Investors in People Standard provides a framework that helps organisations improve their performance and realise objectives through the effective management and development of their people.

Melin currently employs more than 160 members of staff and is committed to being an excellent employer.

As part of the IIP assessment, 25 members of staff were selected for interview, representing a cross-section of employees, and made lots of positive comments to the assessor about what Melin is like as an employer. These included: "We all feel appreciated and valued" and "We are all members of one big team serving our customers to the best of our abilities."

Chief executive Mark Gardner said: "This national standard is further evidence that Melin Homes recognises the importance of investing in its people to provide our residents with the best service possible."

Last year, the housing association invested £91,435 in staff training and 127 training courses were attended by members of staff.

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Notes to editors:

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