

NOTICE OF MEETING

PENSIONS COMMITTEE AND BOARD

Tuesday, 30th January, 2024, 7.00 pm - George Meehan House, 294 High Road, N22 8JZ (watch the live meeting [here](#) and watch the recording [here](#))

Members: Councillors Ahmed Mahbub (Chair), John Bevan (Vice-Chair), Nick da Costa, Tammy Hymas, Thayahlan lyngkaran and Matt White

Employer/Employee Representatives: Ishmael Owarish, Keith Brown, Randy Plowright, Craig Pattinson.

John Raisin (Independent Adviser)

Quorum: 3

1. **FILMING AT MEETINGS**

Please note this meeting may be filmed or recorded by the Council for live or subsequent broadcast via the Council's internet site or by anyone attending the meeting using any communication method. Members of the public participating in the meeting (e.g. making deputations, asking questions, making oral protests) should be aware that they are likely to be filmed, recorded or reported on. By entering the 'meeting room', you are consenting to being filmed and to the possible use of those images and sound recordings.

The Chair of the meeting has the discretion to terminate or suspend filming or recording, if in his or her opinion continuation of the filming, recording or reporting would disrupt or prejudice the proceedings, infringe the rights of any individual, or may lead to the breach of a legal obligation by the Council.

2. **APOLOGIES**

To receive any apologies for absence.

3. **URGENT BUSINESS**

The Chair will consider the admission of any late items of Urgent Business. (Late items of Urgent Business will be considered under the agenda item where they appear. New items of Urgent Business will be dealt with under item 3 below).

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

A member with a disclosable pecuniary interest or a prejudicial interest in a matter who attends a meeting of the authority at which the matter is considered:

- (i) must disclose the interest at the start of the meeting or when the interest becomes apparent, and
- (ii) may not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must withdraw from the meeting room.

A member who discloses at a meeting a disclosable pecuniary interest which is not registered in the Register of Members' Interests or the subject of a pending notification must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest within 28 days of the disclosure.

Disclosable pecuniary interests, personal interests and prejudicial interests are defined at Paragraphs 5-7 and Appendix A of the Members' Code of Conduct

The Public Service Pensions Act 2013 defines a conflict of interest as a financial or other interest which is likely to prejudice a person's exercise of functions. Therefore, a conflict of interest may arise when an individual:

- i) Has a responsibility or duty in relation to the management of, or provision of advice to, the LBHPF, and
- ii) At the same time, has:
 - a separate personal interest (financial or otherwise) or
 - another responsibility in relation to that matter,

giving rise to a possible conflict with their first responsibility. An interest could also arise due to a family member or close colleague having a specific responsibility or interest in a matter.

At the commencement of the meeting, the Chair will ask all Members of the Committee and Board to declare any new potential conflicts and these will be recorded in the minutes of the meeting and the Fund's Register of Conflicts of Interest. Any individual who considers that they or another individual has a potential or actual conflict of interest which relates to an item of business at a meeting must advise the Chair prior to the meeting, where possible, or state this clearly at the meeting at the earliest possible opportunity.

5. DEPUTATIONS / PETITIONS / PRESENTATIONS / QUESTIONS

To consider any requests received in accordance with Part 4, Section B, paragraph 29 of the Council's constitution.

6. RECORD OF TRAINING UNDERTAKEN SINCE LAST MEETING

Note from the Head of Legal and Governance (Monitoring Officer)

When considering the items below, the Committee will be operating in its capacity as 'Administering Authority'. When the Committee is operating in its capacity as an Administering Authority, Members must have due regard to their duty as quasi-trustees to act in the best interest of the Pension Fund above all other considerations.

7. MINUTES

To confirm and sign the minutes of the Pensions Committee and Board meeting held on 6 September 2023 and 13 July 2023 as a correct record.

Report to follow.

8. PENSION ADMINISTRATION UPDATE (PAGES 1 - 6)

This report provides the Pensions Committee and Board (PCB) with the following updates regarding Pension Fund's administration activities:

- a. Pension Fund membership update
- b. Online Member Self Service portal update
- c. Update on McCloud project
- d. Update on Service Level Agreement (SLA) statistics
- e. Update on staffing and recruitment

9. DLUHC CONNSULTATION OUTCOME: LGPS - NEXT STEPS ON INVESTMENTS (PAGES 7 - 16)

This report provides the Pensions Committee and Board (PCB) with an update on the outcome of the government's consultation on *Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS): Next steps on investments*, (the Consultation) which was published by the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) on 11 July 2023. The Consultation closed for responses on 2 October 2023.

10. LOCAL AUTHORITY PENSION FUND FORUM (LAPFF) UPDATE (PAGES 17 - 20)

This paper provides an update on the Local Authority Pension Fund Forum's (LAPFF) engagement and voting activities on behalf of the Fund. The Fund is a member of LAPFF, and the Pensions Committee and Board (PCB) has previously agreed that the Fund's investment managers should cast its votes at investor meetings in line with the LAPFF voting recommendations.

11. HARINGEY PENSION FUND RISK REGISTER (PAGES 21 - 34)

This paper has been prepared to update the Pensions Committee and Board on the Pension Fund's risk register and provide an opportunity for the Pensions Committee and Board to further review the risk score allocation.

12. PENSION FUND QUARTERLY INVESTMENT AND PERFORMANCE UPDATE (PAGES 35 - 46)

This report provides the Pensions Committee and Board (PCB) with the following updates on the Pension Fund's performance for the quarter ended 30 September 2023:

- a. Independent advisor's market commentary
- b. Investment performance
- c. Investment asset allocation
- d. London Collective Investment Vehicle (LCIV) update
- e. Funding position update

13. INVESTMENT STRATEGY REVIEW: STRATEGIC ASSET ALLOCATION (PAGES 47 - 50)

This report provides the Pensions Committee and Board (PCB) with an assessment of the of the Pension Fund's current strategic asset allocation in comparison to various alternative options.

14. INVESTMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT

Report to follow.

15. FORWARD PLAN (PAGES 51 - 56)

This paper has been prepared to identify and agree upon the key priorities for the Pensions Committee and Board over the upcoming months, as well as seek members' input into future agendas.

16. NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

17. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

To note the dates of future meetings:

5 March 2024

18. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Items 18-21 are likely to be subject to a motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting as they contain exempt information as defined in Section 100a of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by Section 12A of the Local Government Act 1985); para 3 – namely information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) and para 5 – information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.

19. EXEMPT - PENSION FUND QUARTERLY INVESTMENT AND PERFORMANCE UPDATE (PAGES 57 - 114)

As per item 12.

20. EXEMPT - INVESTMENT STRATEGY REVIEW - STRATEGIC ASSET ALLOCATION (PAGES 115 - 142)

As per item 13.

21. EXEMPT - INVESTMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT

As per item 14. Report to follow.

22. NEW ITEMS OF EXEMPT URGENT BUSINESS

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