

Pensions Audit Sub-Committee of the Pensions Committee

2.00pm, Tuesday 26 June 2018

Present:

Councillors Rose (Convener) and Child.

Pensions Board Member:

Alan Williamson

1. Minutes

Decision

To approve the minute of the Pensions Audit Sub-Committee of the Pensions Committee of 26 March 2018 as a correct record.

2. Agenda Planning

An overview of potential reports for future Pensions Committee and Pensions Audit Sub-Committee meetings for September and December 2018 was presented.

Decision

- 1) To note the agenda planning document.
- 2) To note that the Pension Board were invited to comment on agenda items during Committee meetings.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted.)

3. Lothian Pension Fund, Lothian Buses Pension Fund and Scottish Homes Pension Fund Annual Report 2016 (and Financial Statements) Unaudited

The unaudited Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2018 for the Lothian Pension Fund, the Lothian Buses Pension Fund and the Scottish Homes Pension Fund were submitted.

Decision

To note the unaudited Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2018 for the Lothian Pension Fund, the Lothian Buses Pension Fund and the Scottish Homes Pension Fund.

(References – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

4. Regulatory Update – General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) Regulations

An update was provided on the Lothian Pension Fund's (LPF) General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and wider information governance project. Detailed information was also provided highlighting what LPF had been doing to ensure best practice in this area, compliant with GDPR and other applicable data protection law and regulation in force from time to time.

A high-level update was also provided on the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) regulations which came into effect on 1 June 2018.

Decision

- 1) To note the update on the Fund's preparedness for GDPR; and
- 2) To note the update on the new LGPS regulations which came into force on 1 June 2018.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

5. Lothian Pension Fund Internal Audit Update – Pensions Tax Review

The Committee, under Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, excluded the public from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involved the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 6 and 9 of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

An update was provided on the final outcomes of the Pensions Tax review which was included in the Lothian Pension Fund (LPF) 2017/18 Internal Audit annual plan.

Decision

- 1) To note the outcomes of the review and the management response to the internal audit findings.
- 2) To note that the risk and controls would be reviewed by the Audit Sub-Committee as part of the annual review of the risk register.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

6. Risk Management Summary

The Committee, under Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, excluded the public from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involved the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 6 and 9 of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

In line with the pension funds' ongoing risk management procedures, an overview was provided of the Fund's risk analysis.

Decision

Detailed in the confidential schedule, signed by the Convener, with reference to this minute.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)