# **Pensions Committee**

# 2.30 p.m., Wednesday, 25 March 2015

# **Agenda Planning**

Item number 5.1

Report number Executive/routine

Wards All

## **Executive summary**

This document provides Committee with an indication of the agenda for future meetings of the Pensions Committee and Audit Sub Committee. It also provides a more general overview of the current cycle of papers for the Committee.

There will, of-course, be specific matters and papers which need to be brought to the attention of the Pension Committee and the Audit Sub-Committee in addition to those set out herein.

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# Report

# **Agenda Planning**

### Recommendations

1.1 That Committee notes the agenda planning document.

### **Background**

2.1 In order for the Pensions Committee and Consultative Panel to gain an overview of the content of the Committee Cycle it was agreed that an agenda planning document be submitted each quarter.

### **Main report**

3.1 Based on the Committee cycle and the current position, the proposed agendas for the next two meetings are set out below.

### June 2015

The following papers are currently scheduled for the Pensions Committee and Audit Sub Committee meeting:

#### **Pensions Committee**

- Referrals/recommendations from the Pensions Audit-Sub Committee
- Lothian Pension Fund Annual Report (& Accounts) Unaudited
- Statement of Investment Principles
- Investment Strategy Panel Activity
- Annual Investment and Funding Update
   LPF/LBPF/SHPF
- Risk management summary

#### **Audit Sub Committee**

- Lothian Pension Fund Annual Report (& Accounts) Unaudited
- Risk management summary

### September 2015

#### **Pensions Committee**

- LPF Annual Report (& Accounts)
   Audited
- ISA 260 Audit Report
- Employers Participating in Lothian Pension Fund'
- Service Plan Update
- Discretions
- Risk management summary

#### **Audit Sub Committee**

- LPR Annual Report (& Accounts) Audited
- ISA 260 Audit Report
- Pensions Data Quality
- Fraud Prevention
- Risk management summary
- Delegated authorities Write offs

### **Measures of success**

4.1 The Committee and Consultative Panel have greater clarity regarding the content of the Committee Cycle.

## **Financial impact**

5.1 None

# Risk, policy, compliance and governance impact

6.1 There is no direct impact as a result of this report. The forward planning of the Committees' agendas should facilitate improved risk management and governance for the pension funds.

# **Equalities impact**

7.1 None.

# **Sustainability impact**

8.1 None.

## **Consultation and engagement**

9.1 The consultative Panel for the Funds, comprising member and employer representatives, is integral to governance.

# **Background reading / external references**

None.

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### Links

**Coalition pledges** 

Council outcomes CO26 - The Council engages with stakeholders and works in

partnerships to improve services and deliver agreed

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**Appendices** Appendix 1 – Schedule of Committee papers

# Appendix 1

requency	Pensions Committee	Audit Sub Committee	Month
	Audit plans and reports (internal and external)	N/A - Draft audits and plan will be developed in consultation with the Convenor of the Audit Sub	March
		Committee.	
	Service Plan and Budget	N/A	March
	Policies/Strategies/Training	N/A	March
	Governance Update (as from March 2016)		March
	LPF Annual Report (& Accounts) <b>Unaudited</b>	LPF Annual Report & Accounts (Unaudited)	June
	Statement of Investment Principles	N/A	June
	Investment Strategy Panel Activity	N/A	June
	Annual Investment and funding – LPF/LBPF/SHPF	N/A	June
	LPF Annual Report & Accounts <b>Audited</b>	LPF Annual Report & Accounts (Audited)	September
Annually	ISA 260 Audit Report	ISA 260 Audit Report	September
•	N/A	Pensions Data Quality	September
	N/A	Pensions Data Quality  Delegated authorities: Write offs -	September
	N/A	Fraud Prevention	September
	N/A	Audit of Foreign Exchange Transaction Costs	September
	Annual Report by External Auditor	Annual Report by External Auditor	December
	Benchmarking Report	N/A	December
	N/A	EU Tax Claims & Income Recovery	December
	N/A	Investment Income Review-Cross-Border withholding tax	December
	Environmental Social and Governance Activity (including Class Actions)	N/A	December
	N/A	Investment Controls & Compliance	December

Frequency	Pensions Committee	Audit Sub Committee	Month
Semi Annually	Employers Participating in Lothian Pension Fund	N/A	March & September
3 Times	Service Plan Update	N/A	March, September & December
per year	Referrals / recommendations from Pensions Audit-Sub	N/A	June, September & December
Quarterly	Risk management summary	Risk management summary	March, June, September and December
Every 3 years	Actuarial Valuation: LPF/LBPF/SHPF Funding Strategy Statement		December or March
As required	Delegated authorities (provider appointments) Discretions (death grants etc.) N/A Regulatory Update Investment Strategy Reviews (at least every 3 years) N/A	N/A Audit reports Internal Audit Reports N/A N/A Risk management (in depth review)	