

15 March 2016

Agenda Item:5

REPORT OF CORPORATE DIRECTOR RESOURCES

LOCAL PENSIONS BOARD - UPDATE

Purpose of the Report

1. To provide a progress update on arrangements for the Local Pensions Board.

Information and Advice

- 2. County Council established the Local Pensions Board for Nottinghamshire on 26 March 2015. The Board is responsible for assisting the County Council in its capacity as pension scheme manager to secure compliance with pension legislation, and for ensuring the effective and efficient governance and administration of the local pension scheme.
- 3. The first meeting of the Board was held on 16 December 2015 and dealt with introductory matters regarding the establishment of the Board including the adoption of a Code of Practice and Work Programme. The next meeting, together with a training session, is scheduled for 19 April 2016.
- 4. All four 'employer' representatives were appointed prior to the first meeting; Councillor David Kirkham for Nottinghamshire County Council, Councillor Sarah Piper for Nottingham City Council, James Lacey for Nottingham Trent University and David Smith for Autism East Midlands. A Trade Union representative was also in attendance at the meeting as a 'member' representative.
- 5. Two further 'member' representatives have since been appointed. Both representatives are eligible for appointment as they are members of the Pension Scheme. Thulani Molife is considered suitable for appointment due to his previous experience as a member of the Council's pensions sub-committees in his capacity as a Nottingham City Councillor. Sue Maycock is considered suitable for appointment due qualifications and experience; she is the Head of Finance at Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service. There is one further 'member' representative vacancy; efforts are being made to finalise this appointment before the April meeting.
- 6. John Raisin Financial Services Limited has been appointed to provide professional advisory support to the Board following a procurement process.

Other Options Considered

7. None; the report is for noting only.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

8. To update Members on progress in relation to the new Local Pension Board.

Statutory and Policy Implications

9. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, sustainability and the environment and ways of working and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION/S

1) That Committee notes progress in respect of arrangements for the Local Pension Board.

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Constitutional Comments

10. As this report is for noting only constitutional comments are not required.

Financial Comments (SES 01/03/16)

11. There are no specific financial implications arising directly from this report.

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

- Nottinghamshire Pensions Sub-Committee report dated 16 July 2015 as published
- Nottinghamshire Local Pension Board meeting reports dated 16 December 2015 as published

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected - ALL