

Nottinghamshire County Council

Report to Pension Fund Committee

19 April 2018

Agenda Item: 4

REPORT OF REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR – FINANCE, PROCUREMENT & IMPROVEMENT

REVISION OF FUND STRATEGIES

Purpose of the Report

1. To propose revised versions of the Funding Strategy Statement, Investment Strategy Statement and Governance Compliance Statement.

Information

- 2. Under governing regulations, the Fund is required to 'prepare, maintain and publish' a number of strategy statements. These statements must then be kept under review and, if necessary, revised.
- 3. According to Regulation 58 of the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 2013, an administering authority must publish a Funding Strategy Statement (FSS). This was revised last year following the latest triennial actuarial valuation. This statement was based on a version prepared by the Fund Actuary. The Statement has been reviewed and has only minor amendments reflecting the restructure of Pension Fund Committee last year. The revised version is attached as Appendix A.
- 4. The Local Government Pension Scheme (Management and Investment of Funds) Regulations 2016 (the "Investment Regulations") govern the management of the pension fund and the investment of fund money. According to Regulation 7 of the Investment Regulations an administering authority must formulate an investment strategy which must be in accordance with guidance issued from time to time by the Secretary of State. It must publish a statement of its investment strategy and must review and if necessary revise its investment strategy at least every 3 years.
- 5. Some amendments were discussed at the January Working Party which were approved at the last committee meeting. A review has been done of the Strategy as a whole which has resulted in some minor amendments, largely to update for progress in setting up LGPS Central. The updated Investment Strategy Statement is attached as Appendix B.
- 6. The Local Government Pension Scheme (Administration) Regulations 2013 require publication of a governance compliance statement. This statement has been updated to reflect the change in Committee governance last year. The revised Statement is attached as Appendix C.

Other Options Considered

7. It is a requirement that strategy statements are reviewed, so no other options were considered.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

8. The revised policies reflect the current governance of the Pension Fund and agreed amendments.

Statutory and Policy Implications

9. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance, 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, smarter working, sustainability and the environment 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 the revised Funding Strategy Statement, Investment Strategy Statement and Governance Compliance Statement be approved.
- 2. That the Committee reviews its approach to training.

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Constitutional Comments (SLB 03/04/2018])

10. Nottinghamshire Pension Fund Committee is the appropriate body to consider the content of this report.

Financial Comments (TMR 27/03/2018)

11. There are no direct financial implications arising 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.

• None

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

• All