

28 September 2017

Agenda Item: 4

REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR – FINANCE, PROCUREMENT & IMPROVEMENT

PENSION FUND ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS 2016/17

Purpose of the Report

1. To present the Nottinghamshire Pension Fund Annual Report for 2016/17.

Information and Advice

2. The Nottinghamshire Pension Fund Annual Report for 2016/17 is now available on the Nottinghamshire Pension Fund website at <http://www.nottspf.org.uk/about-the-fund>. The report includes the annual accounts and shows the value of the fund as at 31 March 2017 to be £4,932 million with net returns on investments for 2016/17 of £882 million and net costs of £15m from dealings with members. The overall value of the fund is has increased by 21% since last year.
3. The Fund achieved an overall return of 21.7% on its investments over the year, with in-house equities returning 29%, and property returning 6.3% as an asset class.
4. The Scheme Administration Arrangements (page 11) section gives a breakdown of all the non-investment work that is undertaken to ensure the proper functioning of the Fund's dealings with its members.
5. The external auditors, KPMG, have completed their audit work and anticipate issuing an unqualified audit opinion. No material misstatements or uncorrected audit differences were identified.
6. The Annual Report will be presented to employers and any other interested parties at the Fund's annual general meeting on 5 October 2017.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

7. The Pension Fund accounts are approved by Nottinghamshire County Council as part of the Council's overall accounting responsibility. The accounts are also presented to the Nottinghamshire Pension Fund Committee for noting. The Annual Report, including the accounts, is therefore presented to the Local Pensions Board also for noting.

Statutory and Policy Implications

8. 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 only), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults, 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 Pension Board members consider whether there are any actions they require in relation to the issues contained within the report.

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Constitutional Comments

9. Because this report is for noting only no Constitutional Comments are required.

Financial Comments (TMR 01/09/2017)

10. There are no direct financial implications arising from the 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'