

Pension Fund Committee Friday, 5 June 2015

ADDENDA

Urgent Business - Membership of Local Pension Board

Under the provisions set out in Section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) the Chairman elect of the meeting is of the opinion that this item can be taken following Agenda Item 5 as urgent business because of the need for the Local Pension Board to meet prior to the next meeting of this Committee in September.

11. Annual Review of Fund Policies

Following discussion at the Chairman (elect's) pre-meeting, Councillor Nick Hards has sent in the following proposed amendments to the Fund Policies:

The Committee is RECOMMENDED to:

- (a) note the main changes within the policies as set out in the report; and***
- (b) approve the revised policy documents as set out in Annexes 1 – 7 to this report, subject to the further changes below;***
 - (i) the correction to the table within the Statement of Investment Principles on page 49 of the papers, to Chief Finance Officer, as the Investment Manager for quoted private equity trusts;***
 - (ii) to amend the paragraph on Monitoring and Review in the Statement of Investment Principles (page 51 of the papers) to read “The individual fund manager’s performance, current activity and transactions are monitored on a quarterly basis by the Independent Financial Adviser and the Officers to the Fund, and all issues of concern reported directly to the Committee. Quarterly reports from all managers are made available to the Committee, who can raise any issues they wish to follow up. All Managers formally report to the Committee once a year, spread over the four quarterly meetings, with***

the Committee retaining the right to request more frequent attendance if they have matters of concern. The investment management performance of the Fund as a whole is reviewed annually by the Committee, supported by a presentation by State Street Global Services”;

- (iii) to amend the wording of the paragraph on Custody and Stock Lending within the Statement of Investment Principles (page 52 of the papers) to delete the reference to hedge funds, and add a reference to the diversified growth fund to the exceptions of assets not held by the Custodian;***
- (iv) to amend the Governance Compliance Statement Principle F (page 61 of the papers) to read that the Fund arranges an Annual Pension Fund Employers Forum, rather than holds, to reflect the fact that the Forum may be cancelled due to lack of employer interest; and***
- (v) to amend paragraph 9 of the Early Release of Benefits Policy Statement to delete the words “doubtless by all current fund employers”***