PENSION FUND COMMITTEE – FRIDAY 01 June 2012

Admission Bodies

Report by Assistant Chief Executive and Chief Financial Officer

Introduction

1. This report seeks Committee approval for the most recent applications for admission to the fund. These applications for transferee admission body status arise from outsourcing of services form Oxfordshire County Council.

Outsourcing of Property Services

- 2. The services being outsourced are property, some of which is already outsourced and some from in-house plus QCS and Food with Thought. Overall around 700 staff are to be transferred of these circa 457 are scheme members.
- 3. **Carillion -** The majority of staff, around 440, will be transferring to Carillion on 01 July 2012.
- 4. Carillion is seeking to admission to the Oxfordshire Pension Fund, from this date, as a transferee admission body
- 5. **Capita -** The remaining staff will transfer to Capita, who are also seeking admission to the Oxfordshire Pension Fund as a transferee admission body as at 01 July 2012.

Outsourcing of Independent Living Services

- Independent Living Services are made up of the Supported Living Service (SLS) and the Daytime Support Service (DTS), both of which are due to be outsourced. Although other small parts of the overall ILS will remain with Oxfordshire County Council.
- 7. The first part of the service to be outsourced is the Supported Living Service. This is to be split into geographical areas for the tender process. To date there have been two successful bidders: -
- 8. **The Camden Society -** will be taking the contract for the City area from 01 September 2012. It is anticipated that around 37 staff will transfer to this new provider.
- 9. The Home Farm Trust have won the contract covering the area of South & Vale. It is anticipated that this contract will start on 03 September 2012 and again will apply to approximately 37 staff.

Admission Agreements

10. In the above cases the admission agreements will be between Oxfordshire County Council, as administering authority, the scheme employer and the transferee admission body.

Financial and Staff Implications

11. In all cases the service agreement sets out a "pass through" arrangement for pension costs, whereby the contractor rate is set at the Oxfordshire County Council rate of 19.3%. Pension costs, with the exception of those arising directly from the decision/action of the contractor, will be charged back to OCC as part of the contract costs.

Oxfordshire and Berkshire Mental Health Trust (OBMH)

12. OBMH has changed name to The Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust. The admission agreement has been updated.

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee is RECOMMENDED to

- a) Approve the above applications subject to their agreeing to the terms of the Admission Agreements and this Committee being informed when the agreement is signed; and
- b) Note the change of name for Oxfordshire and Berkshire Mental Health Trust to The Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust.

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