

MEETING : LOCAL PENSION BOARD (LPB)

DATE : 24 August 2022 (moved from 17th)

VENUE : Teams

PRESENT: Steve Beaton (Chair), Stuart Smith, Michaela Moore, Andrea Batchelor, Ann Read, John Tyrell, Helen Scargill (WYPF), Caz Lee (Notes)

Ref	Item	Decision/Outcome	Action By
1.	Apologies: Rob Allport		
2.	<u>Session from WYPF</u> Helen advised 100% (428) Annual Benefit Statements have been produced and sent. Helen attending next pension board in person as is coming down day before to do a session at Pre Retirement Course on 14/11/22. Helen suggested LPB members attend her session during the Pre Retirement Course on 14/11/22 as will be doing through how transition benefits are calculated and what changeover means which will be useful information.	 Request for members to send ideas for training session at next meeting to Steve. Steve to liaise with Recruitment for timing of Helen's slot on 14/11/22 then Caz can send it out to LPB members diaries.	 All Steve/ Caz
3.	Agree notes of last meeting held on 24/05/22 Notes were reviewed and agreed as a true record.	 Caz to publish and add to internet page.	 Done 24.08.22

	Updates on Actions Arising		
3.1	<p><u>Steve to liaise with M&C re updating intranet page on Pensions (under Payroll area). 24.05.22: All content ready to go, waiting for the new intranet on SharePoint to go live and then will liaise with M&C about setting up dedicated Pension page/section. Ongoing</u></p> <p>Ongoing working with M&C to create section, hope to have up and running by end of Sept.</p>	Ongoing	Steve
3.2	<u>Steve to circulate list of secondary contracts to LPB members.</u>	Action complete.	
3.3	<p><u>Steve to circulate draft End of Year report to members for comments.</u></p> <p>Final report was submitted to Fire Authority.</p>	Caz to circulate final report to LPB members.	Done 24.08.22
3.4	<u>Steve to amend Abatement Policy disclaimer to include 'exceptional circumstances' and prepare a draft process form for Service to use/record decisions.</u>	Action complete.	
3.5	<p><u>Steve to amend Risk 11 and add two new risks.</u></p> <p>Steve confirmed Risk 11 amended and risk regarding potential legal action, either collectively from FBU or from an individual as FRS' are applying remedy guidance differently added.</p> <p>Risk regarding incomplete information/contact details in relation to Kent/Medway case needs to be added.</p>	Partially complete, see Point 7 action.	

4.	Declarations of Interest None to discuss.		
5.	Feedback from Training No training to discuss since last meeting. Steve still attending virtual LGA coffee mornings. Steve and John will be attending AGM and Annual Pension Conference in London on 25 and 26 October. Will share anything relevant on back of it.		
6.	Regional Pensions Group Update Please see attached notes: Minutes of 28 June 2022 meeting of Eastern Region Fire Pension Officers Group.pdf		
7.	Review of Risk Register LPB - Risk Register.XLSX Board reviewed the risk register and agreed following changes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • risk 3 to be incorporated into risk 2 and scoring amended; • risk 10 to be removed; • risk regarding facilitation software for remedy to be added; • risk regarding small team in Payroll/Pension Team at CFRS to be added in terms of loss of knowledge base should someone leave. 	Steve to make agreed amendments to register including outstanding risk from point 3.5	Steve

8.	Review of Issues Log See 'Issues Log' tab for updates.		
9 & 10.	Recent Case Law Affecting Pension Scheme and Review of recent LGA Bulletins and WYPF monthly updates FPS Bulletin 57 - May 2022.msg Update on NJC for Local Government Services (Green Book) pay negotiations.msg FPS Bulletin 58 - June 2022.msg Publication of Government response to draft Pensions Dashboards Regulations 2022.msg LGA response to DWP Pensions dashboards_ further consultation and additional consultations launched.msg FPS Bulletin 59 - July 2022.msg WYPF Monthly report for CFRS Pension Board Members August 2022.docx Above all circulated to all members since last meeting; pertinent info covered in verbal overview by Steve of attached: Steve August 2022 Pension Board Update.docx <i>*Tracey Stradling joined the meeting</i>		
11.	LGA Pension Dashboard Standard & Design Input Consultations LGA Pensions Dashboards Standards & Design Input Consultations.msg		

	Already covered in Point 10 (see attached update page 10).		
12.	Pensionable Pay Review	Rolled over to next meeting	Steve
13.	Any Other Business None on this occasion.		
	Date of Next Meeting 15 November 2022		