

Minutes of the Pensions Board Meeting held on 27 September 2019

Present:

Ian Jenkinson (Chairman)
Gordon Alcott

Kate Salter

Also in attendance: Rob Birch (Observer)

Apologies: Tim Legge

PART ONE

33. Declarations of Interest

Councillor Gordon Alcott declared a personal interest in item 6, "Appointment of Pensions Board Members" as he was the nominee representing Elected Local Authority Councillors.

34. Minutes of the meeting held on 28 June 2019

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 28 June 2019 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

35. Minutes of the Joint Meeting of the Pensions Committee and Pensions Board held on 12 July 2019

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Joint Meeting of the Pensions Committee and Pensions Board held on 12 July 2019 be noted.

36. Matters arising from Pensions Committee meetings on 28 June 2019 and 27 September 2019

It was reported that the Pensions Committee at their meeting on 28 June 2019 had requested that the Board continue to undertake light touch scrutiny of the Fund's Risk Register. The Chairman reported that this process had begun.

37. Appointment of Pensions Board Members

Note by clerk: Mr Alcott and Mr Birch left the room for the consideration of this item.

The Board paid tribute to retiring member Mr Tim Legge for his contribution to the work of the Board over the last four years. The Chairman informed the Board of the receipt of a letter from Mr Legge expressing his appreciation to the Board and officers from the Pensions Team for their work on behalf of Staffordshire pensioners; that he had particularly been impressed by the professionalism, commitment and expertise of the Head of Treasury and Pensions and her team; and that he would like to pay tribute to the Chairman's leadership which had enabled the Board to fulfil its our statutory duties over the past 4 years.

The Chairman indicated that he would send Mr Legge a letter on behalf of the Board thanking him of his contribution over the past four years.

The Board discussed and agreed the appointment of Councillor Gordon Alcott, Rachel Bailye and Rob Birch to the Board.

The Chairman welcomed the new members to the Board.

RESOLVED – That:

- (a) Councillor Gordon Alcott be reappointed to the Board as an Employer Representative, representing Elected Local Authority Councillors;
- (b) Rachel Bailye be appointed to the Board, as an Employer Representative, representing smaller employers within the Staffordshire Pension Fund;
- (c) Robert Birch be appointed to the Board, representing Scheme Members;
- (d) nominations be sought via the Staffordshire Chief Finance Officers Group (SCFOG) for a further representative for Scheme Employers.
- (e) The Chairman send a letter to retiring member Mr Legge thanking him on behalf of the Board.

38. Dates of Future Meetings

The Board were advised that the meeting that was due to be held on 17 December 2019 had moved to 17 January 2019 at 10am.

RESOLVED – That the dates of future meetings be noted.

39. Exclusion of the Public

RESOLVED – That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business which involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A (as amended) of the Local Government Act 1972 indicated below.

40. Exempt Minutes of the Meeting held on 28 June 2019

(Exemption paragraph 3)

41. Exempt Matters arising from Pensions Committee meetings on 28 June 2019 and 27 September 2019

(Exemption paragraph 3)

Chairman