

PENSION BOARD			
REPORT TITLE	Pensions Investment Committee Update		
KEY DECISION	No	Item No:	
WARD	N/A		
CONTRIBUTORS	Acting Chief Finance Officer		
CLASS	Part 1	Date:	May 2019

Lateness: This report was not available for the original dispatch date due to resource issues.

Urgency: The report is urgent and cannot wait until the next meeting of the Pensions Board, to enable members to remain up-to-date with the activities of the Pensions Investment Committee.

Where a report is received less than 5 clear days before the date of the meeting at which the matter is being considered, then under the Local Government Act 1972 Section 100(b)(4) the Chair of the Committee can take the matter as a matter of urgency if he is satisfied that there are special circumstances requiring it to be treated as a matter of urgency. These special circumstances have to be specified in the minutes of the meeting.

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1. The purpose of this report is to summarise to Board members the proceedings of the most recently held meeting of the Pension Investment Committee (PIC).

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1. The Board is asked to review and note the contents of these papers.

3. SUMMARY: PENSION INVESTMENT COMMITTEE – FEBRUARY 2019

- 3.1. The final PIC meeting of the financial year was held on 14 February 2019. The draft minutes from the meeting are attached at Appendix 1, whilst the agenda and public papers are available on the Council website at the below link. For access to private papers, please contact the Board's Governance Support Officer:
<http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=181&MId=5196&Ver=4>

In addition to two fund manager presentations and noting a report on investment performance, the Committee also considered a timetable put forward by advisors for transition of existing mandates into the London CIV, in light of the MHCLG consultation on asset pooling. Members noted the timetable, and in discussion with advisors decided to push back transition of those assets identified as a

priority to late 2019, when the Fund's strategy following the 2019 Actuarial Valuation has been developed.

- 3.2. Members also discussed responsible investment and the Committee's approach to divestment, in particular its resolve to reduce carbon exposure in the Fund. Advisors will assist the Committee to translate these views into practical steps and policies, particularly when the results of the carbon footprint exercise being undertaken by TruCost has been completed.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1. This report and its appendices address the overall finances of the Pension Fund. There are no other direct financial implications to this report.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1. There are no legal implications directly arising from this report.

6. CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1. There are no crime and disorder implications directly arising from this report.

7. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1. There are no equalities implications directly arising from this report.

8. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1. There are no environmental implications directly arising from this report.

APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Draft minutes from the meeting of PIC held on 14 February 2019.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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