

# **General Purposes Committee** 31 March 2016

# Report from the Chief Finance Officer

For Action Wards affected:
ALL

# Appointment of employer representative to the Pension Board

### 1. Summary

1.1. The purpose of this report is to fill the vacancy on the Pension Board.

#### 2. Recommendation

2.1. That the Committee appoints Angela Cattermole as the non-Brent Council employer representative on the Pension Board.

#### 3. Detail

- 3.1. The Pension Board assists the Council with management of the pension scheme in a number of ways; chiefly by providing guidance and oversight.
- 3.2. Rules on membership, as agreed by the General Purposes Committee, state that the Pension Board shall be made up of:
  - An independent Chair
  - Two Brent Council pension fund employer representatives
  - A non-Brent Council pension fund employer representative
  - Two pension fund member trade union representatives
  - A pension scheme member representative
- 3.3. The only vacancy on the Pension Board is the non-Brent Council pension fund employer representative. In fact this role has remained vacant since the Board was established.
- 3.4. On 2 February 2016, the board met for the second time. At this meeting a resolution was reached to again invite nominations from employer representatives from another employer within the pension fund.

- 3.5. In order to fill this vacancy, invitations were issued to organisations meeting the nomination requirements. Following a 26 day nomination period Kyush Modasia, Finance & Resource Director of Ark Academy nominated Angela Cattermole. No other nominations were received.
- 3.6. Angela Cattermole is employed at Ark Academy as Finance Officer.
- 3.7. The General Purpose Committee is invited to appoint Angela Cattermole to the Pension Board and thereby ensuring that the Board's membership is complete, balanced and fully representative of relevant stakeholders.

### 4. Financial Implications

4.1. None

# 5. Legal Implications

- 5.1. Approving the nomination will meet the Council's obligations under the:
  - Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 2013 (as amended) which amongst other things requires that the membership of the Board comprises of an equal number of employer and member representatives; and
  - Terms of reference of the Board as set out in the Council's Constitution.

## 6. Diversity Implications

6.1. None

### 7. Staffing/Accommodation Implications (if appropriate)

7.1. None

#### **Background Papers**

- Letter inviting nominations
- Organisations invited to nominate

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