

Pension Board

Wednesday 5 August 2020 at 6.00 pm

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Membership:

Members Representing

Mr Ewart Independent Chair

Councillor Members

Councillor Crane Brent Employer representative Councillor Kabir Brent Employer representative

Co-opted Members

Bola George Member representative (Unison)

Chris Bala Pension Scheme Members Representative

Robert Wheeler GMB Trade Union

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Notes for Members - Declarations of Interest:

If a Member is aware they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest* in an item of business, they must declare its existence and nature at the start of the meeting or when it becomes apparent and must leave the room without participating in discussion of the item.

If a Member is aware they have a Personal Interest** in an item of business, they must declare its existence and nature at the start of the meeting or when it becomes apparent.

If the Personal Interest is also significant enough to affect your judgement of a public interest and either it affects a financial position or relates to a regulatory matter then after disclosing the interest to the meeting the Member must leave the room without participating in discussion of the item, except that they may first make representations, answer questions or give evidence relating to the matter, provided that the public are allowed to attend the meeting for those purposes.

*Disclosable Pecuniary Interests:

- (a) **Employment, etc. -** Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit gain.
- (b) **Sponsorship** Any payment or other financial benefit in respect of expenses in carrying out duties as a member, or of election; including from a trade union.
- (c) **Contracts** Any current contract for goods, services or works, between the Councillors or their partner (or a body in which one has a beneficial interest) and the council.
- (d) **Land -** Any beneficial interest in land which is within the council's area.
- (e) **Licences-** Any licence to occupy land in the council's area for a month or longer.
- (f) **Corporate tenancies -** Any tenancy between the council and a body in which the Councillor or their partner have a beneficial interest.
- (g) **Securities** Any beneficial interest in securities of a body which has a place of business or land in the council's area, if the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body or of any one class of its issued share capital.

**Personal Interests:

The business relates to or affects:

- (a) Anybody of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management, and:
 - To which you are appointed by the council;
 - which exercises functions of a public nature;
 - which is directed is to charitable purposes;
 - whose principal purposes include the influence of public opinion or policy (including a political party of trade union).
- (b) The interests a of a person from whom you have received gifts or hospitality of at least £50 as a member in the municipal year;

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A decision in relation to that business might reasonably be regarded as affecting the well-being or financial position of:

You yourself:

a member of your family or your friend or any person with whom you have a close association or any person or body who is the subject of a registrable personal interest.

Agenda

Introductions, if appropriate.

Apologies for absence and clarification of alternate members.

Item Page

1 Apologies for absence

2 Declarations of interests

Members are invited to declare at this stage of the meeting, any relevant personal and prejudicial interests and discloseable pecuniary interests in any matter to be considered at this meeting.

3 Minutes of the previous meeting

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To approve the minutes of the previous meeting as a correct record.

4 Matters arising (if any)

5 Deputation (if any)

6 2019 Triennial Valuation Results and Funding Strategy Statement

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This report sets out the results of 2019 triennial actuarial valuation and the Funding Strategy Statement (FSS) to the Committee for consideration and Approval.

I have attached 4 appendices some of which contain exempt information for reasons set out under item 17.

7 Chair's Annual Report

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This report provides a summary of the work carried out by the Council's Pensions Board. The report covers the period from the Boards meeting in June 2019 to the end of 2019/20 Municipal Year. It presents details of the Board members, training and items covered during the Board's meetings. It also raises a number of items the Board wishes to draw to the Councils attention.

This report updates the Pensions Board on various pensions administration matters as part of its remit to oversee the administration of the Brent Pension Fund.

I have attached 2 appendices to the report.

9 LPP Scheme Administration

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This report presents the LPP Pensions Administration Service as measured against key performance indicators that measure compliance, efficiency, and effectiveness of the service.

10 LPP Business Update

LPP will present a report on business update. The slide presentation will be circulated prior to the meeting.

11 LPP Complaints data 2019/2020

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This report presents the LPP complaints data for 2019/2020.

12 LPP COVID-19 Impact Analysis

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This report presents analysis from the Fund's administration provider Local Pensions Partnership (LPP) regarding the impact of the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic, on the number of death notifications (bereavements) received, relating to members in the Brent Pension Fund and Brent Teachers Pension Fund since the start of this year.

I have attached 2 appendices to the main report.

13 LGPS Update

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The purpose of this report is to update the committee on recent developments within the LGPS regulatory environment and any recent consultations issued by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) which have would have a significant impact on the Fund.

I have attached 7 appendices to the main report.

14 Brent Risk Register

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This report presents the updated Risk Register for the Brent Pension Fund Pensions Administration Service.

I have added 2 appendices to the main report.

15 Date of next meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Board is on 3rd November 2020.

16 Any other urgent business

Notice of items to be raised under this heading must be given in writing to the Head of Executive and Member Services or his representative before the meeting in accordance with Standing Order 60.

17 Exclusion of Press and Public

The press and public will be excluded from the remainder of the meeting as the reports and appendices to be considered contain the following category of exempt information as specified in Paragraph 3, Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, namely:

"Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)".

18 Appendices to Triennial Valuation report

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Date of the next meeting: Tuesday 3 November 2020