

**North Yorkshire County Council**

**Pension Board**

**17 July 2019**

**Progress on issues raised by the Committee**

**Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic Services)**

**1.0 Purpose of the report**

**1.1** To advise Members of:-

- Progress on issues raised at previous meetings;
- Issues that may have arisen, relating to the work of the Board, since the previous meeting

**2.0 Background**

**2.1** This report is submitted to each meeting listing the Board's previous Resolutions where further information is to be submitted to future meetings. The table below represents the list of issues which were identified at previous Pension Board meetings and which have not yet been resolved.

Date	Minute No and subject	Resolution/Action	Comment/completed
18 January 2018 / 12 April 2018/ 19 July 2018/ 11 October 2018/24 January 2019	Minute No 123 – Annual discussion with Treasurer of NYPF / Minute no 145 – Pooling / Minute no. 166 – Pooling / Minute no 177(b) - progress on Issues raised	Arrange a meeting between representatives from the various Pension Boards of those Pension Funds involved in BCPP to discuss the development of the Pool.	These have been taking place and the Chairman will provide feedback in respect of the meetings he attends.
11 April 2019	Minute No 189 (b) – Vacancies for Employer and Scheme Member representatives	Vacancies for both an Employer Representative and a Scheme Member Representative remain and efforts continue to fill these.	An update will be provided at the meeting.

<p>20 July 2017/18 January 2018/ 19 July 2018/24 January 2019/11 April 2019</p>	<p>Minute No 100 – Risk Register / Minute No 123 – Annual discussion with Treasurer of NYPF / Minute no 177(b) – progress on Issues raised / Minute no 186 Pooling</p>	<p>That Pension Board Members be provided with the background documents/ staffing structure/ financial information in relation to pooling. Following that, a structure was required to determine how reports were to be provided, going forward. This remained a significant issue particularly in respect of the amount of documentation considered to be confidential by BCPP, which hindered the scrutiny and monitoring process of the Board,</p>	<p>The Board was provided with details of the relevant information, to enable them to monitor the development of the pooling arrangements. An appropriate reporting mechanism has yet to be established and further information in relation to this was awaited. A further request for financial information was made at the Board’s January and April meetings to ensure that suitable comparisons could be made to the current costs of the Fund and those in place when Pooling was in place. It had been noted that the role of the Scheme Member representative on the JCC would be to report back to Pension Boards on significant issues, however, this was hindered by the considerable amount of documentation considered to be confidential by BCPP</p>
<p>11 October 2018/24 January 2019/11 April 2019</p>	<p>Minute no 172 Governance Arrangements/ Minute no 181 Review of Terms of Reference/ Minute no. 190(b) progress on issues raised</p>	<p>Review of Pension Fund Governance Documents by the Pension Board and a Review of the Board’s Terms of Reference given the significant changes to the LGPS since the Board was established.</p>	<p>The Pension Fund’s Independent Observer, Peter Scales and Treasurer, Gary Fielding, have been invited to discuss the Pension Board’s role in this process, to give an annual appraisal of the overall function of the Board, and to assist with a review of the Board’s Terms of Reference given the significant changes to the LGPS since the Board was created. In line with their availability they will be attending the July meeting of the Board to assist with these considerations.</p>
<p>11 October 2018 / 24 January 2019/11 April 2019</p>	<p>Minute no 174 – Skills Matrix / Self- Evaluation Questionnaire</p>	<p>A revised skills matrix/self-assessment questionnaire, adapted from that provided to the Pension Fund Committee had been circulated to Members following the meeting.</p>	<p>The results from the returned questionnaires are to be evaluated at this meeting to benefit from the attendance of Peter Scales, who can provide some guidance on the development of a training plan.</p>

11 April 2019	Minute No 194 – Membership of the Board	Board Members appointed in July 2015, including the Independent Chairman, were temporarily re-appointed until January 2020	A recruitment/re-appointment process would need to take place to take account of the end of the terms of office of a number of Board Members in January 2020
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### 3.0 Recommendation

3.1 That the report be noted and further action be undertaken where required.

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Background Documents – None