UPCOMING TRAINING AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS

Provider	Course / Conference Title	Date(s)	Location	Themes / Subjects Covered
PLSA	Annual Conference	17 – 19 October 2023	Manchester Central Windmill Street Manchester M2 3GX	The definitive pensions conference and exhibition, where the industry comes together to discuss every aspect of pensions, from communications and engagement, to investment, to the geopolitical outlook, and the trustee agenda.
				In 2023 the PLSA is celebrating 100 years as the voice of workplace pensions.
SPS	SPS LGPS Sustainable Investment & Topical Issue Conference	19 October 2023	The View at the Royal College of Surgeons, London	This conference aims to examine a range of property, infrastructure and other real asset investment strategies and explore the ways pension funds can use them to meet their scheme specific goal requirements such as stable and sustainable returns, risk management and diversification. We will also consider how recent and prevailing conditions have impacted performance and prospects, and to include key practical considerations such as liquidity, ESG/impact/climate requirements and cost and implementation issues.
PLSA	Responsible Investment Conference	29 November	PricewaterhouseCoopers 1 Embankment Place London WC2N 6RH	The PLSA's Responsible Investment Conference - formerly our digital ESG Conference - returns for 2023 as a face-to-face event featuring expert speakers discussing the latest developments in this quickly evolving landscape. Meet pension schemes and advisers at this essential event for anyone with an interest in responsible investment.

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				The one-day event takes place in a central London location. Information due shortly.
PLSA	Policy Insights: The Regulatory Horizon for 2024	7 December	Online Webinar 11 – 11.45 am	Your chance to find out about the policy and lobbying work that we do on members' behalf. Hear from the PLSA's Policy and Advocacy team about the conversations they have with Ministers, Government officials and regulators, and ask questions about issues on the current agenda. Join us for a Policy Insights Webinar on the regulatory horizon for 2024. Our policy experts will discuss the developments, themes and challenges expected for the next year in pensions. Learn how these may impact your scheme and what you can do to prepare.
PLSA	Local Authority Forum	14 December	TBC Central London	The new and innovative Local Authority Forum brings together pension professionals from across the industry to help drive policy debate, engage on key issues and share best practice. This Forum creates a space for delegates to discuss the challenges facing local authority pension funds. There will also be the opportunity to ask the experts about the key issues affecting local authorities in a moderated Q&A

Hymans Robertson package (Aspire) of on-line training can now be utilised by Members - "bite-size" sessions that can be dipped in and out of at Members convenience. There are now two packages available with package two being the most up to date version. The training modules are as follows:-

- 1: Introduction to the LGPS Stakeholders; local arrangements for committees, boards, officers and advisers; regulatory framework.
- 2: Governance and oversight Legislation and guidance; policy documents; roles and responsibilities of committees and board members; Code of Practice 14; pensions administration overview; Government oversight bodies; business plans.
- 3: Administration and fund management Pension benefits and contributions; service delivery; administration and communication strategies and policy documents and processes; annual report and accounts; procurements.
- 4: Funding and actuarial matters Role of the actuary; the funding strategy; valuations; employer issues; actuarial assumptions.
- 5: Investments Investment strategy, asset class characteristics and investment markets; pooling investments; monitoring performance of investments and advisers; responsible investment.
- 6: Current issues LGPS reform; McCloud; Goodwin; cost sharing.