North Yorkshire County Council

Pension Board

7 October 2021

Administration Report

1. Purpose of the Report

To provide Pension Board members with an update on key initiatives undertaken by the administration team of the North Yorkshire Pension Fund.

2. Pension Fund Committee paper

Included for information at **Appendix 1 & Appendix 1a** is the administration paper and appendices provided to the Pension Fund Committee at their September 2021 meeting.

3. Breaches Log

Included at **Appendix 2** is the North Yorkshire Pension Fund's Breaches Log for review. There is one new entry relating to the 2021 Annual Benefit Statements.

4. Annual Benefit Statements

Active statements have been produced and were published on 31 August.

We produced 28,199 out of 29,357 meaning 96.06% of eligible active members have received their statement by the statutory deadline. The remaining 1,158 are being worked on and will be issued as we resolve the queries.

Deferred statements were produced in May for 38,671 out of 38,758 eligible members (99.78%) meaning 87 members did not receive their statement at this time.

5. Major Projects

5.1. Data Reconciliation

 Data reconciliation work is nearing completion and a final position will be reported as soon as we know what that is.

5.2. i-Connect - Employer portal

- NYCC & CYC preparatory work has been completed and we have arranged meetings with NYCC to progress their on-boarding as a priority.
- CYC will be the next employer then we will focus on completing the remaining employers by 31 March 2022 so we don't have to go through another manual year end.

5.3. Pensioner payroll

- The merge of data was completed at the end of July and the first payroll run from the fully integrated payroll was successfully made in August.
- New processes have been developed and are being used by the administration team.
- This work stream has now been completed and is now part of our business as usual.

6. LGPC Bulletins

6.1. The LGPC regularly issues bulletins, which can include actions for administering authorities. The NYPF reviews every bulletin and logs any actions highlighted. A log of the actions is included at **Appendix 3** to enable Pension Board Members to ensure appropriate activities are being undertaken

7. Recommendation

- 7.1. That Pension Board Members note the contents of this report.
- 7.2. That Pension Board Members note the contents of the Breaches Log and determine whether a report to the Regulator is required.

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29 September 2021 Background Papers - Nil