Essex Pension Fund Board EPB/29/12 date: 27 September 2012

Forward Look

Report by the Secretary to the Board

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1. Purpose of the Report

1.1 To present a Forward Look detailing the Board's future business.

2. Recommendations

2.1 That the Forward Look attached at Appendix A be noted and approved.

3. Updated Format

3.1 For ease of reference, the format of the Forward Look has been updated to include the training sessions and external events highlighted on the training plan.

4. Link to Essex Pension Fund Objectives

- 4.1 The Forward Look assists the Board in achieving the following Fund Objectives:
 - Ensure the Pension Fund is managed and its services delivered by people who have the appropriate knowledge and expertise
 - Act with integrity and be accountable to our stakeholders for our decisions, ensuring they are robust and well based
 - Continually measure and monitor success against our objectives

5. Risk Implications

5.1 Failure to plan its business carefully may cause the Board to approach its work in an unstructured way and to make ineffective use of its Members', Officers' and Professional Advisers' time.

6. Communication and Finance and Resources Implications

6.1 None

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Meeting	Agenda Item	Type		
16 October 2012	External Training: LGPC/LGE Trustee Fundamentals	Day 1 – useful for recently-appointed members		
6 November 2012	External Training: LGPC/LGE Trustee Fundamentals	Day 2 – useful for recently-appointed members		
14 November 2012	Annual Strategy Day			
14 November 2012	Aimual Giralegy Day			
11 December 2012	External Training: LGPC/LGE Trustee Fundamentals	Day 3 – useful for recently-appointed members		
12 December 2012	Board meeting:			
	Financial Services procurement & relationship management	Pre-Board Training		
	Update on Pension Fund Activity: Business Plans, Risks and Measurement against Fund Objectives	Every meeting		
	Annual Review of Pension Fund Board	Annual item		
	Admission/Employer participation/bulk transfer policy			
	Implementation of Communication Policy Investment Steering Committee (ISC) Quarterly Report			
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23 January 2013	Board Member Training:	For all Board members		
	Pensions legislative & governance context Actuarial methods, standards & practices			

March 2013	Conference: LGC Investment Seminar	Exact date tbc – for all ISC members unless attending LGC Investment Summit	
6 March 2013	Board meeting:	Б. 1	
	Accounting & auditing standards Update on Pension Fund Activity: Business Plans, Risks and Measurement against Fund Objectives	Pre-board training Every meeting	
	2013/14 Business Plan	Annual item	
	Record of Member Attendance	Annual item	
	Treasury Management Strategy Administration Policy (final version for approval) Investment Steering Committee (ISC) Quarterly Report	Annual item	
May 2013	Conference: NAPF Local Authority Pensions Conference	Exact date tbc – for all Board members unless attending LGE Trustees Conference	
June 2013	Conference: LGPS (LGE) Trustees Conference	Exact date tbc – for all Board members unless	
	,	attending NAPF Local Authority Pensions Conference	
2/3 October 2013	External Training Event: Baillie Gifford Local Authority Investment Training and Seminar	Desirable for ISC members	
Issues to be scheduled	d		
	LGPS Pension Reform (ongoing) Induction Training for New Board Members	Likely item for each Board meeting Post CC Elections May 2013	

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