

Essex Pension Fund Board

Date: Wednesday 11 July 2012

Time: 2.00pm (training from 12 noon*)

Venue: Committee Room 2

*Please note that pre-meeting training for all Board members on financial markets and investment strategy will be held in Committee Room 2 between 12 noon and 1.30pm. A sandwich lunch will be provided for those attending.

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Agenda

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Agenda

Part I

(Business to be taken in public)

1. Chairman and Deputy Chairman

To note the election of Councillor R L Bass and the appointment of Councillor D M Finch as Chairman and Deputy Chairman respectively of the Investment Steering Committee and, therefore, of the Board for the Municipal Year 2012/13

2. Membership/Terms of Reference

To receive a report (EPB/14/12) by the Secretary to the Board

3. Apologies for Absence

To report the receipt (if any)

4. Declarations of Interest

Any declarations of interest to be made by members of the Committee during the meeting will be noted at this stage

5. Minutes

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Board meeting held on 7 March 2012 (attached)

Funding

6. Local Government Pension Scheme update

To receive a verbal update from the Fund Actuary

Governance

7. Update on Pension Fund Activity

- A 2012/13 Business Plan
- B Risk Management
- C Measurement against Fund Objectives Scorecard

To consider a joint report (EPB/15/12) by the Pensions Services Manager and Group Manager Investments.

8. Pension Fund Board Training Plan

To consider a report (EPB/16/12) by the Independent Governance and Administration Adviser

9. Essex Pension Fund Board Annual Report

To receive a report (EPB/17/12) by the Secretary to the Board

10. Internal Audit Annual Report of Pension Fund work

To consider a report (EPB/18/12) by the Head of Audit.

11. External Audit 2011/12: Audit Plan

To consider a report (EPB/19/12) by the District Auditor.

Investments

12. Essex Pension Fund Draft Accounts 2011/12

To consider a report (EPB/20/12) by the Executive Director for Finance

13. Investment Steering Committee (ISC) Quarterly Report

To consider a report (EPB/21/12) by the Head of Investments.

Communications

None

Administration

None

Other Issues

14. Forward Look

To consider a report (EPB/22/12) by the Secretary to the Board

15. Date of Next Meeting

The following have been scheduled and will begin at 2.00pm (with the exception of the Annual Strategy Day):

27 September 2012 Board meeting
14 November 2012 Annual Strategy Day
12 December 2012 Board meeting

23 January 2013 Board member training (all day)*

6 March 2013 Board meeting

*Previously afternoon only

Please note that Board meetings are likely to be preceded by a Member Development session between Midday and 1.30pm.

16. Urgent Part I Business

To consider any matter which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.

Part II Exempt Items

(During consideration of these items the meeting is not likely to be open to the press and public)

To consider whether the press and public should be excluded from the meeting during consideration of an agenda item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as specified in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 or it being confidential for the purposes of Section 100A (2) of that Act.

In each case, Members are asked to decide whether, in all the circumstances, the public interest in maintaining the exemption (and discussing the matter in private) outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

17. Urgent Exempt Business

To consider in private any other matter which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered as a matter of urgency by reason of special circumstances (to be specified).
