

Essex Pension Fund Board	EPB/05/11
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Annual Review of Member Attendance

Report by the Governance Team Manager

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1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To detail members' attendance at Board and Investment Steering Committee (ISC) meetings and training events since 31 March 2010.

2. Recommendation.

- 2.1 That the attendance of members at Essex Pension Fund Board and ISC meetings and training events, as shown in Annexes A and B to this report, be noted.

3. Background

- 3.1 At its meeting on 31 March 2010, the Board received a report detailing Members' attendance at Board and ISC meetings and training events since the Board's establishment in May 2008. The Board reaffirmed its commitment to ensuring that its Members acquired the detailed knowledge necessary to exercise their responsibilities effectively and emphasised the contribution which a stable membership, good attendance at meetings and a commitment on the part of members (including substitute members) to undertake regular training and development could make to achieving this. In view of this, it was agreed that the information should be reported to the Board on an annual basis.
- 3.2 The details of Members' attendance at Board and ISC meetings and training events from 31 March 2010 until the present are therefore attached at Annexes A and B.

4. Link to Fund Objectives

- 4.1 This information will assist the Board in achieving the following Fund Objective:
- Ensure the Pension Board is managed and its services delivered by people who have the appropriate knowledge and expertise.

5. Risk Implications

- 5.1 The lack of a stable, knowledgeable, committed membership for the Board and the ISC may result in poor leadership and an inability to provide a clear strategic direction for management of the Fund.

6. Communication Implications

- 6.1 Essex County Councillors' attendance at meetings is public information which may be accessed via the Essex County Council website.

7. Finance and Resources Implications

- 7.1 There are no Finance and Resources Implications.