

Wiltshire Council

Full Council

26 November 2019

Subject: Appointments to the Local Pension Board

**Cabinet Member: Councillor Simon Jacobs
Cabinet Member for Finance and Procurement**

Key Decision: Non-Key

Executive Summary

Vacancies have arisen on the Local Pension Board, to which Council appoints membership as the Administering Authority. The report sets out the recruitment process undertaken and recommends appointments to Council.

Proposal(s)

i) That Council appoints the following members to the Local Pension Board for a four year term:

Ian Jones (Employer Member Representative)
Robb Lauder (Scheme Member Representative)

ii) To note the following members to the Local Pension Board are re-appointed for a further four year term:

Barry Reed (Scheme Member Representative)
Mike Pankiewicz (Scheme Member Representative)

Reason for Proposal(s)

To ensure compliance with the Public Sector Pension Act (2013) along with the Local Government Pension Scheme (Amendment Governance) Regulations 2015.

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Executive Director**

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Purpose of Report

1. To report to Council the outcome of a selection process for the Local Pension Board, and seek Council's endorsement for the appointments as set out in the recommendation above.

Background

2. Under the Public Service Pensions Act 2013 and consequent amendments to the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 2013, each administering authority is required to appoint a local pension board to assist the administering authority to comply with relevant legislation and guidance, and to ensure the effective and efficient governance and administration of the Local Government Pension Scheme. Such Boards are constituted entirely under the Public Service Pensions Act 2013 and are not local authority committees, membership is as defined in the Public Service Pensions Act 2013.
3. The terms of office of three Scheme Member Representatives expired in July 2019 and another vacancy has arisen from an Employer Member resignation.

Main Considerations for the Council

4. An appointment process has been undertaken in line with the Local Pension Board Terms for Reference. Under this process, two members have sought re-appointment, and two new appointments are recommended, following endorsement from their respective membership and employer bodies.

Safeguarding Implications

5. There are no safeguarding implications.

Public Health Implications

6. There are no public health implications.

Procurement Implications

7. There are no Procurement implications

Equalities Impact of the Proposal

8. There are no equalities implications.

Environmental and Climate Change Considerations

9. There are no environmental implications.

Financial Implications

10. There are no financial risks associated with these appointments.

Legal Implications

11. The vacancies are required to be filled to ensure the Council fulfils its statutory duties as administering authority under the Public Sector Pension Act (2013) along with the Local Government Pension Scheme (Amendment Governance) Regulations 2015.

Conclusions

12. In order to ensure the operation of the Local Pension Board, it is recommended appointments are confirmed, in accordance with the process outlined in the Board's Terms of Reference.

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Background Papers - None