Wiltshire Council

Full Council

20 October 2020

Subject: Appointments to the Local Pension Board and Wiltshire

Pension Fund Committee

Cabinet Member: Councillor Pauline Church

Cabinet Member for Finance and Procurement

Key Decision: Non-Key

Executive Summary

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

Proposal

That Council appoints

- a) Marlene Corbey to the Local Pension Board for a four year term as a Scheme Member Representative.
- b) Tracy Adams to the Wiltshire Pension Fund Committee for a four year term as an Employer Member Representative.

Reason for Proposal

To ensure compliance with the Public Sector Pension Act (2013) along with the Local Government Pension Scheme (Amendment Governance) Regulations 2015 and to ensure the sound governance of the Fund.

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Purpose of Report

1. To report to Council the outcome of a selection process for the Local Pension Board and Wiltshire Pension Fund Committee and seek to Council's approval for the appointment as set out in the recommendation above.

Background

- The Wiltshire Pension Fund Committee has, delegated from Full Council, decision making responsibility over the administration and management of the Wiltshire Pension Fund Committee, it is a scheme manager as defined under Section 4 of the Public Service Pensions Act 2013. The Committee is also a committee of the council under the 1972 Local Government Act.
- 3. 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.
- 4. The term of office of an Employer Representative on the Committee came to an end in July 2020. The term of office of a Scheme Member Representative on the Local Pension Board also came to an end in July 2020.

Main Considerations for the Council

- 5. An appointment process for the Committee has been undertaken in line with the Committee's Terms of Reference and Tracy Adams of Salisbury City Council has been selected to represent employer members within the Fund, following a request for nominations by incumbent and applicable employer bodies.
- 6. An appointment process for the Local Pension Board has been undertaken in line with the Board's Terms for Reference and Marlene Corbey, of Unison has

been selected to represent scheme member representatives, following a request to unions within the Fund.

7. Appointments confirmed by Council will take place with immediate effect.

Safeguarding Implications

8. There are no safeguarding implications.

Public Health Implications

9. There are no public health implications.

Procurement Implications

10. There are no Procurement implications

Equalities Impact of the Proposal

11. There are no equalities implications.

Environmental and Climate Change Considerations

12. There are no environmental implications.

Financial Implications

- 13. There are no financial risks associated with these appointments.
- 14. Members of both Committee and Local Pension Board are able to claim travel expenses for their roles, budget for which has been allocated.

Legal Implications

15. 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

16. In order to ensure the effective operation of the Local Pension Board and Wiltshire Pension Fund Committee, it is recommended the appointments are confirmed.

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Background Papers - None