Agenda Item 11



Open Report on behalf of Andrew Crookham, Deputy Chief Executive and Executive Director - Resources

Report to:	LGPS Local Pensions Board			
Date:	21 March 2024			
Subject:	Training Needs			

Summary:

This item provides Board Members the opportunity to discuss any training attended since the last Board meeting and provide feedback to other Board Members on its content.

This report also brings to the Board any conference or training highlight notes from the previous three-month period.

The Board should consider if there is any further training they wish to receive or attend in future months.

Recommendation(s):

The Board are:

1. Requested to share information on any relevant events attended since the last Board meeting;

2. Note any conference and training feedback from the previous three months;

- 3. Consider if there is any further training required in future months; and
- 4. Asked to submit their training log for 2023/24 by the end of May 2024.

Background

1.1 The Board's Training Policy requires members of the Pensions Board, following attendance at any conference, seminar, or external training events, to share their thoughts on the event, including whether they would recommend it for others to attend. Therefore, the Board are requested to share information on relevant events attended since the last Board meeting.

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- 1.2 For information, attached at appendix A are the conference highlights provided by Hymans Robertson for the LGA Governance Conference held in January 2024. The conference covered a wide range of topics, including Scheme Advisory Board, Local Government Pensions Committee and DLUHC updates, the employer landscape, responsible investment, de-risking, and cyber security.
- 1.3 Board members are required to complete the online training modules within LOLA, the online academy created by Hymans Robertson. Members have a year to complete the modules and are expected to revisit them at least every other year. In addition, the module covering current issues is regularly updated to ensure members knowledge remains current. In February a training session was held for members of the Committee and Board to complete some of the main modules from LOLA as a group. Following the success of this meeting a further session will be held on Thursday 23 May 2024 from 10am to complete the remaining LOLA modules. Board members are welcome to attend this session.
- 1.4 Annually Pension Board members are asked to complete a log of the training they have undertaken during the previous 12 months and to consider if they have any training needs they would like to be addressed in future training. The Board are asked to submit their training logs for the period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 by the end of May 2024. Details of any training needs coming out of the training logs will be reported back to the Board at the July meeting.

Conclusion

1.5 The Board should consider past training events attended and identify any future training needs.

Consultation

a) Risks and Impact Analysis

The Pension Fund has a Risk Register which can be obtained by contacting the Head of Pensions.

Appendices

These are listed	below and	attached at the back of the report						
Appendix A	Hymans	Robertson	Conference	Highlights	-	LGA	Governance	
	Conference (14-15 January 2024)							

Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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