

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR C FARRAR (CHAIRMAN)

Councillors E R Chapman, D R Dickinson, J M Swanson, A H Turner MBE and Mrs P F Watson.

Added Members: Mr A Antcliff, Councillor M Leaning and Mr M J Scott.

Councillor N I Jackson was also in attendance.

Officers: - David Forbes (Assistant Director – Finance and Resources), Peter Jones (Independent Investment Advisor), Jo Ray (Group Manager – Pensions and Treasury), Nick Rouse (Investment Manager), Tony Warnock (Head of Finance – Children’s and Specialist Services) and Rachel Wilson (Democratic Services Officer).

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE / REPLACEMENT MEMBERS

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P S Przystlak and B Young.

2. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS’ INTERESTS

Mr A Antcliff declared a personal interest in all items on the agenda as he was currently a contributing member of the Pension Fund as an employee of Lincolnshire County Council.

Councillor M Leaning declared a personal interest in all items on the agenda as a contributing member of the Pension Fund.

Councillor Mrs P F Watson declared a personal interest in all items on the agenda as a contributing member of the Pension Fund in her capacity as a member of Lincolnshire County Council, East Lindsey District Council and the Lindsey Marsh Internal Drainage Board.

3. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 12 April 2012 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

The Committee was reminded that further to the item on the previous agenda regarding the Annual Training Plan, a training session had been arranged for Tuesday, 18 September 2012.

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Prior to the presentations by the Fund Managers, a graph was circulated by the Independent Investment Advisor, which showed the cumulative relative performance for each of the funds up to March 2012. The Committee was provided with an opportunity to discuss this graph and officers present answered a number of queries in relation to the information presented.

4. MANAGER PRESENTATION – THREADNEEDLE – GLOBAL EQUITIES

A report by the Group Manager – Pensions and Treasury was considered, which introduced a presentation from Threadneedle who managed an active portfolio of Global Equities for the Lincolnshire Pension Fund. A copy of the presentation was appended to the report.

RESOLVED

That the report and presentation be noted.

5. MANAGER PRESENTATION – SCHRODER INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT – GLOBAL EQUITIES

A report by the Group Manager – Pensions and Treasury was considered, which introduced a presentation from Schroder Investment Management who managed an active portfolio of Global Equities for the Lincolnshire Pension Fund. A copy of the presentation was appended to the report.

RESOLVED

That the report and presentation be noted.

6. MANAGER PRESENTATION – NEPTUNE INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT – GLOBAL EQUITIES

A report by the Group Manager – Pensions and Treasury was considered, which introduced a presentation from Neptune Investment Management who managed an active portfolio of Global Equities for the Lincolnshire Pension Fund. A copy of the presentation was appended to the report.

RESOLVED

That the report and presentation be noted.

At the previous meeting, a decision regarding an investment in the Morgan Stanley Global Franchise Strategy Pooled fund was deferred until this meeting, so that the Committee could hear the presentations from the other Fund Managers.

The process for making this investment was discussed, and it was suggested that there would be a total investment of approximately £20 million. There would be an initial investment of £5 million, and the remainder would come

from the other three funds by asking for profits to be released as cash rather than reinvested in the fund, as and when it was available. Capital would not be taken out of the funds.

It was thought that this investment would compliment the others, and the Committee was in support of the proposed strategy for making the investment. The Group Manager – Pensions and Treasury would discuss the strategy further with Morgan Stanley before the investment was made.

RESOLVED

To give a small capital amount (e.g. £5 million) and then drip feed the remaining amount from each scheme.

Meeting closed at 1.25pm