



# **Pensions Fund Committee**

A meeting of the Pensions Fund Committee will be held in The Great Hall, The Guildhall, St Giles Street, Northampton, NN1 1DE on Wednesday 27 March 2024 at 2.00 pm

## Agenda

1.	Apologies for Absence and Notification of Substitute Members
2.	Declarations of Interest
	Members are asked to declare any interest and the nature of that interest which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting.
3.	Minutes (Pages 5 - 10)
	To confirm the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 5 December 2023.
4.	Chair's Announcements
	To receive communications from the Chair.
5.	Administration Report (Pages 11 - 28)
6.	Governance and Compliance Report (Pages 29 - 42)
7.	Admissions and Cessations (Pages 43 - 50)
8.	Annual Business Plan and Medium-Term Strategy (Pages 51 - 90)
9.	Communications Plan (Pages 91 - 96)

10.	External Audit Plan 2023-24 (Pages 97 - 122)
11.	Cashflow Modelling (Pages 123 - 150)
12.	Forward Agenda Plan (Pages 151 - 152)
13.	Exclusion of Press and Public
	The following report(s) contain exempt information as defined in the following paragraph(s) of Part 1, Schedule 12A of Local Government Act 1972.
	Paragraph 3 – Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
	Members are reminded that whilst the following item(s) have been marked as exempt, it is for the meeting to decide whether or not to consider each of them in private or in public. In making the decision, members should balance the interests of individuals or the Council itself in having access to the information. In considering their discretion members should also be mindful of the advice of Council Officers.
	Should Members decide not to make a decision in public, they are recommended to resolve as follows:
	"That under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business on the grounds that, it the public and press were present, it would be likely that exempt information falling under the provisions of Schedule 12A, Part I, Paragraph(s) 3 would be disclosed to them, and that in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information."
14.	Private Minutes of the Pension Fund Committee 5 December 2023 (Pages 153 - 156)
15.	AVC Report (Pages 157 - 164)
16.	ACCESS Update (Pages 165 - 170)
17.	Urgent Business
	The Chairman to advise whether they have agreed to any items of urgent business being admitted to the agenda.

Catherine Whitehead Proper Officer 19 March 2024

### **Pensions Fund Committee Members:**

Councillor Malcolm Longley (Chair)Councillor Charles Morton (Vice-Chair)Councillor Phil BignellCouncillor Lloyd BundayCouncillor Janice DuffyCouncillor Jamie LaneCouncillor Graham LawmanCouncillor Peter MattenCouncillor Cathrine RussellRobert AustinPeter Borley-CoxPaul WheelerAndy LangfordElnora Latchman

## Information about this Agenda

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### **Declarations of Interest**

Members are asked to declare interests at item 2 on the agenda or if arriving after the start of the meeting, at the start of the relevant agenda item

## Local Government and Finance Act 1992 – Budget Setting, Contracts & Supplementary Estimates

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