

Report to: **Pension Board**

Date of meeting: **3 August 2017**

By: **Chief Finance Officer**

Title: **Work programme**

Purpose: **The updated report sets out the Pension Fund Forward plan for 2017-18. The Plan includes the key objectives for the Fund, training strategy/plan for the Fund and Member training log.**

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## **RECOMMENDATIONS – The Board is recommended to note the report.**

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### **1. Introduction**

1.1 The Principles for Investment Decision Making and Disclosure in the Local Government Pension Scheme in the United Kingdom recommends the forward plan set out formal and comprehensive objectives, policies and practices, strategies and reporting arrangements for the effective acquisition and retention of public sector pension scheme finance knowledge and skills for those in the organisation responsible for financial administration, scheme governance and decision-making.

### **2. Report Overview**

2.1 This report contain an updated 2017/18 Forward Plan, which will assists members with the Fund Governance arrangement, so that the Council is able to perform its role as the administering authority in a structured way, and an updated training plan, with a summary of both external and internal training events that Members and Officers can undertake in 2017/18.

### **3. Pensions Regulator Training Toolkit**

3.1 The Pensions Regulator has provided an on-line training resource to assist those involved with the public sector pension schemes. This is accessed via a “Trustee Toolkit” link on its website. It provides a set of seven modules covering the key themes in the Code of Practice on governance and administration of public service schemes.

### **4. Joint Pension Board and Committee Training Session**

4.1 The topics to be covered are detailed within the Pension Board and Committee Forward/Training plan. Following the successful joint ESG training session on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2017, the next joint training session is scheduled to take place on 26 September 2017. The proposed topics for the session are:

- *The role of the Board/Committee within the ACCESS LGPS Pool;*
- *Updates from the Pension Fund Regulator.*

### **5. Conclusion and reasons for recommendations**

5.1 The Board is requested to note the Pension Fund Board/Committee Forward Plan 2017/18.

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Background Documents  
None