# **Croydon Council**

REPORT TO:	Pension Board
	7 July 2022
SUBJECT:	Pension Board Forward Plan 2022/23
LEAD OFFICER:	Matthew Hallett - Acting Head of Pensions and Treasury

## 1. **RECOMMENDATION**

1.1 That the Board considers and agrees the Forward Plan for the remainder of financial year 2022/23.

## 2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2.1 This report sets out a suggested work plan for the Board for the remainder of 2022/23, inviting suggestions for amendments or additions.

## 3 DETAIL

- 3.1 The responsibility of the Board, as defined by section 5(1) and (2) of the Public Services Pensions Act 2013, is to assist the Administering Authority (Croydon Council) in its role as a Scheme Manager of the Scheme in relation to the following matters:
  - To secure compliance with the Scheme Regulations and other legislation relating to the governance and administration of the Scheme;
  - To secure compliance with requirements imposed in relation to the Scheme by the Pensions Regulator;
  - In such other matters as the Scheme regulations may specify.
- 3.2 In order for the Board to carry out this role it is necessary to maintain a work plan which identifies which key activities the Board should be considering (and when) in order to demonstrate effective performance.

- 3.3 The Board last considered their Forward Plan, in respect of the remainder of 2021/22, on 14 October 2021. They agreed the Plan as drafted but also resolved the following:
  - Asset transfer and Pension Dashboard to be determined items;
  - Governance, following consideration by the Board at its meeting to be held on 3 November, as a to be determined item;
  - The administration report as a standing item.
- 3.4 In respect of the items listed in paragraph 3.3:
  - At their meeting on 7 March 2022 Full Council agreed not to progress plans to transfer properties, as previously considered, to the Pension Fund. The previously proposed transfer will, therefore, no longer be part of the Committee or the Board's consideration.
  - The Board will be updated on the proposals for statutory pension dashboards on 13 October 2022 and at future meetings as developments occur.
  - The Fund's governance arrangements were considered most recently by the Board on 14 October 2021 and 13 January 2022 and are proposed to be included on each agenda during 2022/23.
  - The Administration report was considered by the Board on 13 January 2022 and will be included on each future agenda.
- 3.5 Subject to the considerations of the Board, Appendix A comprises a suggestion for the topics to be covered over the remainder of the year. At each meeting the Board will also be able to review the papers presented to the Pension Committee at meetings since the Board last met.
- 3.6 The Board are invited to add any items to this schedule that they feel should be included
- 3.7 A key component of the work of the Board is the maintenance of relevant knowledge, refreshing skills and access to informed experts. To this end training opportunities will be offered to the Board throughout the year. The Board are invited to offer ideas for subjects and officers will develop these into sessions which will be open to the Board and to Pension Committee members.

## 4. DATA PROTECTION IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Will the subject of the report involve the processing of 'personal data'?

No.

Has a data protection impact assessment (DPIA) been completed?

No. This report relates to matters relating to the administration of the LGPS and the Croydon Pension Fund.

**Approved by:** Matthew Hallett, on behalf of Jane West, Corporate Director of Resources (Section 151 Officer)

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## APPENDIX:

Appendix A - Forward Plan 2022/23

#### BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

None.