



Report of: Corporate Director of Resources

Meeting of: Pensions Sub-Committee

Date 6th March 2023

Ward(s): n/a

SUBJECT: PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE 2023/24 FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

1. Synopsis

- 1.1 The Appendix to this report provides information for Members of the Sub-Committee on agenda items for forthcoming meetings and training topics.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 To consider and agree Appendix A attached

3. Background

- 3.1 The Forward Plan will be updated as necessary at each meeting, to reflect any changes in investment policy, new regulation and pension fund priorities after discussions with Members.
- 3.2 Details of agenda items for forthcoming meetings will be reported to each meeting of the Sub-Committee for members' consideration in the form of a Forward Plan. There will be a standing item to each meeting on performance and the LCIV.

4. Implications

4.1 Financial implications

- 4.1.1 None in the context of this report. The cost of providing independent investment advice is part of fund management and administration fees charged to the pension fund.

4.2 **Legal Implications**

None applicable to this report

4.3 **Environmental Implications and contribution to achieving a net zero carbon Islington by 2030:**

None applicable to this report. Environmental implications will be included in each report to the Pension Board Committee as necessary. The current agreed investment strategy statement for pensions outlines the policies and targets set to April 2022 to reduce the current and future carbon exposure by 50% and 75% respectively compared to when it was measured in 2016 and also invest 15% of the fund in green opportunities. The link to the full document is: <https://www.islington.gov.uk/~media/sharepoint-lists/public-records/finance/information/adviceandinformation/20212022/20211123islingtonpensionfundinvestmentstrategystatementdec20.pdf>

4.4 **Equalities Impact Assessment**

None applicable to this report. The council must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation, and to advance equality of opportunity, and foster good relations, between those who share a relevant protected characteristic and those who do not share it (section 149 Equality Act 2010). The council has a duty to have due regard to the need to remove or minimise disadvantages, take steps to meet needs, in particular steps to take account of disabled persons' disabilities, and encourage people to participate in public life. The council must have due regard to the need to tackle prejudice and promote understanding

An equalities impact assessment has not been conducted because this report is seeking opinions on updating an existing document and therefore no specific equality implications arising from this report

5. Conclusion and reasons for recommendation

5.1 To advise Members of forthcoming items of business to the Sub-Committee and training topics.

Appendix A- Proposed work program for annual committee cycle

Background papers:

None

Final report clearance:

Authorised by: Corporate Director of Resources

Date: 23 February 2023

Report Author: joana marfoh

[Tel:0207 527 2382](tel:02075272382)

Email:joana.marfoh@islington.gov.uk

Financial implications Author: joana marfoh

Legal implications – n/a

APPENDIX A

Pensions Sub-Committee Forward Plan March 2023 to June 2024

Date of meeting	Reports <u>Please note:</u> there will be a standing item to each meeting on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Performance report- quarterly performance and managers' update• CIV update report
6 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• FSS consultation results• Investment Strategy Review
3 rd July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ISS update• Investment review implementation plan• Carbon monitoring progress
18 th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4 yr Business plan review• Update of strategy review implementation
21 st November	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Draft Pension Annual report• Investment advisors objective setting review
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Annual Pension Meeting
11 th March 2024	
25 th June 2024	Carbon monitoring progress report

Past training for Members before committee meetings -

Date	Training
November 2018	Actuarial update
June 2019-4pm	Actuarial review
February 2021	Net zero carbon transition training