

Wolverhampton City Council

OPEN DECISION ITEM

Committee / Panel	PENSIONS COMMITTEE	20 JUNE 2012
Originating Service Group(s)	GOVERNANCE, DELIVERY	
Contact Officer(s)/ Telephone Number(s)	MARTIN FOX 555047	
Title/Subject Matter	<u>APPOINTMENT OF SUB-COMMITTEE AND PANEL AND DATES OF MEETINGS 2012/2013</u>	

RECOMMENDATION

That :-

- (a) Members be appointed to the Investment Advisory Sub-Committee and Joint Consultative Panel for the municipal year 2012/2013.
- (b) Dates and times of meetings as set out in the report be approved for the municipal year 2012/2013.
- (c) The Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the Investment Advisory Sub-Committee and Joint Consultative Panel be appointed for the municipal year 2012/2013.

1.0 **PURPOSE**

- 1.1 To appoint Members and Chairs and Vice-Chairs to the Investment Advisory Sub-Committee and Joint Consultative Panel for the municipal year 2012/2013.
- 1.2 To agree the dates and times of meetings of the Committee, Sub-Committee and Joint Consultative Panel for the municipal year 2012/2013.

2.0 **BACKGROUND**

2.1 Local Government and Housing Act 1989

Members are asked to note that under the provisions of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, all Committees and Sub-Committees, with minor exceptions, have to be politically balanced. A further consequence of the Act is the removal of the voting rights of co-opted members.

Members are advised, however, that although the provisions of the Act apply to the Pensions Committee, they do not apply to the Investment Advisory Sub-Committee. The constitution of the Sub-Committee and the voting rights of the co-opted members are not affected by the provisions.

2.2 Appointment of Sub-Committee and Panel

(a) Investment Advisory Sub-Committee

The Pensions Committee have previously agreed that this Sub-Committee comprise the Chair, Vice-Chair and 2 Wolverhampton Members of the Pensions Committee and one Member from each of the other 6 constituent authorities. The Committee also agreed that the Joint Consultative Panel should nominate two Trade Union representatives to observe meetings of this Sub-Committee and four to observe the Pensions Committee.

The Committee are asked formally to confirm the appointment of the Chair and Vice Chair of the Sub-Committee, who have previously been the Chair and Vice-Chair of the main Committee, and to appoint the other Sub-Committee Members, including the 2 Wolverhampton representatives.

(b) Joint Consultative Panel

The Pensions Committee have also established a Pensions Joint Consultative Panel comprising the following Members:-

All Members of the Investment Advisory Sub-Committee
Two Wolverhampton Members of the Pensions Committee
One Member of the Council's Cabinet (Resources) Panel
Eleven representatives of the Trade Unions representing employees who participate in the benefits of the Local Government Pension Scheme.

On 26 June 2012 the Council's Cabinet (Resources) Panel will be asked to appoint a Member to serve as a representative on the Panel for the ensuing municipal year.

The Committee are requested to appoint:-

- (i) two Members to the Panel, and
- (ii) the Chair and Vice-Chair, who have previously been the Chair and Vice-Chair of the main Committee.

2.3 Dates and Times of Meetings for 2012/2013

The Committee are asked to approve the following dates of meetings of the Committee, Sub-Committee and Panel for the remainder of the current municipal year (all at 1400 hours). It is proposed that, after the first cycle of meetings in June/July 2012, the order of meetings be amended so that the Joint Consultative Panel becomes the first meeting in the cycle, followed by the Investment Advisory Sub-Committee and then the main Pensions Committee. The dates would therefore be as follows:-

- (a) **Pensions Committee:-**
 - 21 November 2012
 - 27 February 2013
 - 17 April 2013
- (b) **Investment Advisory Sub-Committee:-**
 - 4 July 2012
 - 17 October 2012
 - 16 January 2013
 - 3 April 2013
- (c) **Joint Consultative Panel:-**
 - 18 July 2012
 - 19 September 2012
 - 5 December 2012

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The report has no financial implications.

4.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no legal implications contained in this report other than referred to above.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 This report has no direct implications for the Council's Equal Opportunities Policy.

6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1 This report has no direct environmental implications.

7.0 SCHEDULE OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 Nil