

**SOUTH YORKSHIRE PENSIONS AUTHORITY****24 JULY 2014**

PRESENT: Councillor P Wootton (Chair)  
 Councillor R Wraith (Vice-Chair)  
 Councillors: E Butler, S Ellis, K Rodgers, L Rooney, A Sangar,  
 M Stowe, B Webster and J Wood

Trade Unions: G Boyington (Unison), G Warwick (GMB) and  
 F Tyas (UCATT)

Officers: J Hattersley (Fund Director), G Chapman (Head of  
 Pensions Administration), A Frosdick (Monitoring Officer),  
 M McCarthy (Deputy Clerk), I Rooth (Head of Technical  
 Services), S Barker (Head of HR), R Bywater (Principal Policy  
 and External Relations Officer) and A Shirt (Senior Democratic  
 Services Officer)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor  
 J Campbell, Councillor B Lodge and F Foster

1 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were noted as above.

2 **URGENT ITEMS**

None.

3 **ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS.**

None.

4 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

None.

5 **LGPS 2014 CONSULTATION: DRAFT REGULATIONS ON SCHEME GOVERNANCE**

The Authority received a presentation from the Head of Pensions Administration to inform Members that the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) had published consultation on draft regulations implementing new governance arrangements for the Local Government Pension Scheme from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015 (or sooner). Members' comments on a draft response to the call for evidence relating to the new governance arrangements were requested.

Members noted that the consultation focused on a requirement for the creation of 'The Scheme Advisory Board'; a national body responsible for providing advice to DCLG on the desirability of changes to the LGPS. Provision was also made for administering

authorities to establish a Local Pension Board to assist them to secure compliance with the LGPS regulations and other legal regulatory requirements.

Members discussed in detail the potential implications for the Authority if the proposals were implemented and the response to each question contained in the consultation.

RESOLVED –

- i) That the Authority requests the Head of Pensions Administration to draft a response to the consultation in its entirety.
- ii) That the draft response be circulated to all Members of the Authority for comments, prior to it being submitted to DCLG by the deadline of 15 August 2014.

CHAIR