Local Pension Board Date: 7<sup>th</sup> July 2021

# Meeting Dates for 2021/22

(for information and read only)

Report of the Head of Pensions

### **Purpose of Report**

- 1. This report sets out the proposed meeting dates for the Pensions Committee, the Investment Panel and the Local Pension Board for the 2021/22 year. It also covers the dates for the training proposed for September 2021 and February 2022.
- 2. Members are asked to make a note of the proposed meeting dates in their diaries.
- 3. Any changes to these dates will be reported at future Pensions Committee meetings.

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#### **Venues for Meetings in 2021/22**

- 4. The legislation which initially allowed formal meetings of the Council and its Committees to be held virtually, expired in early May 2021. Consequently, it is necessary to return to "face to face" meetings for the Pensions Committee and the Local Pension Board.
- The exact venues will depend on the social distancing restrictions in place at the time and the availability of suitable rooms. Once social distancing restrictions are lifted it is expected that meetings will return to the Town Hall in South Shields.
- 6. The meetings of the Investment Panel could continue to take place virtually, as they are not formal meetings of a Committee of the Council. The exact format and location of these meetings will be determined prior to each meeting.
- 7. For training the intention is that this will initially continue to be held virtually. At the recent Committee meeting in June it was agreed to hold the September 2021 training event virtually. For the training scheduled for February 2022, it may be possible to hold this "face to face" and a decision on this will be taken closer to the time.

#### **Pensions Committee Meeting Dates for 2021/22**

8. The proposed meeting dates for 2021/22 are set out below.

## Thursday 10th June 2021

Quarterly meeting to start at 9.30am. In order to ensure social distancing, this took place at Jarrow Focus.

#### Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2021

Quarterly meeting to start at 9.30am. Venue to be determined.

### Tuesday 9th November 2021

The annual meetings with trades unions and employers. As was the case in 2020 it is expected that one meeting will be held and employers and trades unions will be invited. This meeting could be held virtually. A decision on this will be taken closer to the time.

## Tuesday 30th November 2021

Quarterly meeting to start at 9.30am. Venue to be determined.

## Tuesday 1st February 2022

A special meeting of Pensions Committee to agree the budget and the service plan. The meeting will start at 10.00am. Venue to be determined.

## Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Quarterly meeting to start at 9.30am. Venue to be determined.

#### Friday 10th June 2022

Quarterly meeting to start at 9.30am. At this stage this meeting is provisional as it falls into the 2022/23 municipal year. Venue to be determined.

#### **Investment Panel Meeting Dates for 2021/22**

9. The proposed meeting dates for 2021/22 are set out below.

### Tuesday 13th May 2021

Quarterly meeting to start at 9.00am. This meeting was held virtually.

#### Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Quarterly meeting to start at 9.00am. Venue and format to be determined.

#### Monday 8th November 2021

Quarterly meeting to start at 9.00am. Venue and format to be determined.

#### Monday 7th February 2022

Quarterly meeting to start at 9.00am. Venue and format to be determined.

#### Thursday 12th May 2022

Quarterly meeting to start at 9.00am. Venue and format to be determined.

## **Local Pension Board Meeting Dates for 2021/22**

- 10. The Board meeting dates have been arranged to take place around three to four weeks after the date of Pensions Committee where possible.
- 11. The proposed meeting dates for 2021/22 are set out below.

#### Wednesday 7th July 2021

Quarterly meeting to start at 10.00am. Meeting to be held at South Shields Town Hall.

## Wednesday 20th October 2021

Quarterly meeting to start at 10.00am. Venue to be determined.

#### Tuesday 21st December 2021

Quarterly meeting to start at 10.00am. Venue to be determined.

## Wednesday 30th March 2022

Quarterly meeting to start at 10.00am. Venue to be determined.

#### Wednesday 6th July 2022

Quarterly meeting to start at 10.00am. At this stage this meeting is provisional as it falls into the 2022/23 municipal year. Venue to be determined.

#### Training for the Committee and the Local Pension Board

- 12. All training events are offered to members of the Pensions Committee and members of the Local Pension Board.
- 13. As noted above, it was agreed by the Committee that the training scheduled for September 2021, will be delivered virtually.
- 14. A decision on the venue and format of the February 2022 training event will be taken to a meeting of Pensions Committee, ahead of the training itself.

- 15. Additional training will continue to be offered between the two main training events of the year. This is largely expected to be delivered virtually.
- 16. The proposed dates for training are set out below.

## Monday 13th to Wednesday 15th September 2021

This training will be delivered virtually.

## Monday 21st to Wednesday 23rd February 2022

Training seminar, venue and format to be confirmed.

#### Recommendation

17. Members are asked to make a note of the proposed meeting dates in their diaries.

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background papers background papers

The following is a list of the background papers (excluding exempt papers) relied upon in the preparation of the above report:

Background Paper	File Ref:	File Location
None		