8.07 Pensions Board

(a) Information

The Pensions Board is not a decision making body, rather it has a compliance and scrutiny role to ensure the Pensions Committee effectively and efficiently complies with the code of practice on the governance and administration of public service pension schemes issued by the Pension Regulator. Additionally the Pension Board will help ensure that the London Borough of Hillingdon Pension Fund is managed and administered effectively and efficiently and complies with the code of practice on the governance and administration of public service pension schemes issued by the Pension Regulator.

(b) Membership

The membership of the Board must be equally split between employer and scheme member representatives with relevant experience and the capacity to represent. Council has determined that membership shall be:

- 3 elected Members, appointed on the basis of political balance and appointed annually by Council. No elected Member may sit on both the Pensions Committee and the Pensions Board.
- 3 employee/scheme member representatives selected at interview by the Chairman and one other Member of the Pensions Committee and a Senior Officer, on the basis of capacity and/or experience. Term of Office to be indefinite

(c) Terms of Reference

- 1. The Pensions Board will be chaired by an elected Member of the Council and will meet quarterly in the month following Pensions Committee.
- 2. Reports to the Board will either reflect decisions taken by Pensions Committee or be reports for noting already seen by Pensions Committee.
- 3. The role of the Board will be to assist London Borough of Hillingdon Administering Authority as Scheme Manager: to secure compliance with the LGPS regulations and any other legislation relating to the governance and administration of the LGPS;
- 4. To secure compliance with requirements imposed in relation to the LGPS by the Pensions Regulator; and in such other matters as the LGPS regulations may specify.
- 5. To secure the effective and efficient governance and administration of the LGPS for the London Borough of Hillingdon Pension Fund.
- 6. To provide the Scheme Manager with such information as it requires to ensure that any member of the Pension Board or person to be appointed to the Pension Board does not have a conflict of interest. NB: Being a member of the LGPS is not seen as a conflict of interest.