

Governance Risks Summary

D			211		Likelihood					Last	Previous	Previous	Previous Risk	Risk removed
Risk no	Risk	Strategic objective at risk (see key)	Risk category	key)	(see key)	Status	Internal controls in place	Further Action?	Owner	Updated	Impact	Likelihood	Status	(date)
Key R	isks (ranked 8 or above):								_					
2	Those charged with governance of the Fund and Scheme are unable to fulfil their responsibilities effectively.	2 & 3	Resource/Skill	4	2		Knowledge Management Policy is in place which requires the Pensions Committee/Sub Committee and Board members to receive continuing training. New members receive induction training. The Fund subscribes to relevant professional bodies such as LAPFF & PALSA and sends representatives to major conferences.		Governan ce Team	30/01/2017				
17	Failure by the Fund or Employers to meet requirements (including statutory) to ensure members are not disadvantaged.		8 Resource/Skill	4	2		Key Performance Indicators for both the Fund and Employers which are reported to management on a monthly basis and Committee on a quarterly basis. Service Level Agreements in place with some employers to ensure expectations are documented. LGSS website holds a wealth of information regarding responsibilities as do other websites such as the DCLG.		Governan ce Team	30/01/2017				
New F	Risks:													
1	Failure to administer the scheme in line with regulations and policies	1,2, & 3	Regulatory/Compli ance	4	1		Administration and Communication Policy, up to date knowledge through various sources such as SAB and DCLG. Up to date training and attendance at conferences. Receipt of professional bulletins and publications. Attendance at working groups such as EMPOG/SECSOG. Work with external governance advisors where appropriate.		Governan ce Team	30/01/2017				
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3	Production of incorrect accounts, notices and publications	1 & 2	Resource/Skill	3	1		Robust sign off process in place dependent upon the document (AR/SOA/Communications)		Governan ce Team	30/01/2017				
5	Policies and Strategies not being in place and up to date	1& 2	Regulatory/Compli ance	2	2		Policies and strategies in place and on the LGSS Pension website, new policies developed when appropriate and all policies and strategies are reviewed on at least a yearly basis.		Governan ce Team	30/01/2017				
6		2 & 10	Resource/Skill	2	2		Declaration of interests at the beginning of each meeting for non-County Councillor members. County Councillor declaration register held by Democratic Services. Conflicts of interest Policy & training to ensure Committee and Board members are aware of potential conflicts and how to deal with them (Pension Regulator Tool Kit covers this)		Governan ce Team	30/01/2017				
7	Risk of manual changes when producing management reports leading to lack of audit trail	2 & 10	Administration	2	2		Automated extraction of data where viable and agreed procedures for reporting		Governan ce Team	30/01/2017				
8	Potential fraudulent activity by staff	2 & 10	Resource/Skill	5	1		Robust checking system in place, log in security, Altair multiple log in requirements, locked records for pension staff, pension staff not authorised to access family/friends records		Governan ce Team	30/01/2017				
9	Potential fraudulent activity by scheme members	2 & 10	Administration	3	2		National Fraud Initiative participation, investigation of returned payroll slips, sight of certificates before payments made, few cheque payments made.		Governan ce Team	30/01/2017				
10	Lack of knowledge amongst Committee and Board members due to high turnover		3 Resource/Skill	3	2		Knowledge Management Policy in operation which includes compliance with the CIPFA Knowledge and Skills Framework, attendance at internal/external training events and engagement with peer group.		Governan ce Team	30/01/2017				
11	Failure of succession planning for key roles on the Committee and Board leading to the inability to pick up work if a member is sick/leaves		3 Resource/Skill	2	2		Knowledge Management Policy in operation which includes compliance with the CIPFA Knowledge and Skills Framework, attendance at internal/external training events and engagement with peer group.		Governan ce Team	30/01/2017				
12	Failure of officers to maintain a sufficient level of competence to discharge their duties		3 Resource/Skill	2	2		Internal training upon appointment, ongoing internal and external training courses/seminars, professional qualifications.		Governan ce Team	30/01/2017				

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13	Changes to the Local Government Pension Scheme and lack of expertise in the revised/new area		Regulatory/Compli ance	2	2		Knowledge Management Policy in operation, the use of advisors where deemed applicable to provide relevant information and recommendations on particular areas.		Governan ce Team	30/01/2017				
14	Failure to have formal monitoring of Key Performance Indicators in place leading to officers being unable to produce accurate performance management reports.		5 Administration	2	2		Automated extraction through Altair which is reported at monthly management meetings and at quarterly Committee meetings. Also reported to teams at 1:1 meetings to address any performance issues.		Governan ce Team	30/01/2017				
15	Pension Fund objectives are not defined and agreed		4 Resource/Skill	2	2		Objectives are agreed as part of the Annual Business Plan and Medium Term Strategy by the Pensions Committee. Relevant objectives are referenced on every committee report to demonstrate the relevance of the report against the Fund objectives. The objectives also run through all our Policy documents to ensure they remain focused to the Funds goals		Governan ce Team	30/01/2017				
16	Failure to understand and monitor risk and compliance		5 Resource/Skill	3	2		Business Continuity plan in place and regularly tested. Active risk register in place, the Committee and Board are updated if there are any risk movements between scheduled reporting timescales.		Governan ce Team	30/01/2017				
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18	Failure to act professional when dealing with stakeholders leading to lack of confidence in the Fund	1	0 Resource/Skill	3	1		Knowledge Management Policy in force to ensure officers have a good level of knowledge and officers are encouraged to undertake a professional qualifications. The section is working towards Customer Excellence accreditation to ensure the core focus is the customer across the service.		Governan ce Team	30/01/2017				
19	Failure to provide adequate information to the Pension Committee/Pension Board	1	5 Resource/Skill	2	2		Committee Papers provided on a quarterly basis providing key information relating to the Fund. Yearly effectiveness reviews for Committee members are carried out to identify if any changes need to be made by officers when communicating information to the Committee.		Governan ce Team	30/01/2017				

Key Changes (moved by 3 or more):
None