CAMBRIDGESHIRE PENSION FUN

Pension Fund Board

Date: 4 November 2022

Report by: Head of Pensions

Subject: Pension Fund Annual Business Plan Update report 2022/23

| Purpose of the Report: | To present the Business Plan Update. |
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| Recommendation: | The Pension Fund Board is asked to note the Business Plan Update. |
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- 1. Background
- 1.1 Good governance requires that updates to the pre-agreed Annual Business Plan and Medium-Term Strategy are provided to the Pension Fund Board on a regular basis. This update highlights the progress made on the key activities for the period.
- 2. Executive summary
- 2.1 The Cambridgeshire Pension Fund have for many years considered it good governance to have in place a Business Plan and Medium-Term Strategy that is agreed annually and regularly monitored by the committee and board.
- 2.2 The report summarises the progress made on each activity for the period under review.
- 2.3 Section 3 of this report provides a progress update for each business plan activity. The table below provides an overview of the RAG status of each activity.

| Paragraph | Activity | RAG status |
|-------------------|---|------------|
| 3.1 | Extend the existing contract and re-tender for actuarial consultancy services | Green |
| 3.2 | Extend the existing contract and re-tender for benefits and governance consultancy services | Green |
| 3.3 | Extend existing contract and re-tender for legal services provider | Green |
| 3.4 | Re-tender for pensions administration and pensioner payroll platform | Green |
| 3.5 | Continue to develop the Fund's Cyber Strategy | Green |
| 3.6 | Review and implement changes required from the Pension Regulator's new Code of Practice | Amber |
| 3.7 | Implement the best practice recommendations of the Scheme Advisory Board's good governance review | Amber |
| 3.8 | Complete the Guaranteed Minimum Pension Rectification | Green |
| 3.9 | Application of the McCloud age discrimination remedy | Green |
| 3.10 | Processing of undecided leaver records | Amber |
| 3.11 | Complete the 2022 Valuation of the Pension Fund | Green |
| 3.12 | Prepare for the implementation of Pension Dashboards | Green |
| 3.13 | Continue development of the ACCESS asset pool | Green |
| 3.14 | Decarbonisation and improved stewardship reporting | Green |
| 3.15 | Review the Fund's Property Investment Strategy | Green |
| 3.16 | Review of website and digital communications | Amber |
| 3.17 (NEW) | Review the Investment Strategy and Strategic Asset Allocation | Green |
| 3.18 (NEW) | Private Equity Review | Green |

- 2.4 Two new activities as described in paragraphs 3.17 and 3.18 have been added to the business plan. The Pension Fund Committee approved these additional activities at the meeting of 25 October 2022.
- 2.5 The tables in Appendix A provide an update of the Pension Fund account, investment and administration income and expenditure against the cash flow projection outlined in the Annual Business Plan as agreed by the Pension Fund Committee in March 2022. There are no material variances identified.
- 2.6 The link to the full Business Plan approved by the Committee in March 2022 is provided in Section 12 for full context and reference.

3. Procurement of Services

- 3.1 Extend the existing contract and re-tender for actuarial consultancy services
- 3.1.1 Activity: To extend the existing contract and re-tender for actuarial consultancy services currently with Hymans Robertson due to expire on 31 March 2024 (following extension).

3.1.2 Key milestones:

| Key Milestones | Dates | On target for completion? |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Extend contract | January 2023 | On target |
| Register to access national LGPS Frameworks | August 2023 | On target |
| Draft specification of services required and associated documentation | August 2023 to September 2023 | On target |
| Issue invitation to tender to suppliers on the Framework | October 2023 | On target |
| Evaluate tender responses | November 2023 to December 2023 | On target |
| Award contract | January 2024 | On target |

- 3.1.4 Update: No activity to report for the period.
- 3.2 Extend the existing contract and re-tender for benefits and governance consultancy services
- 3.2.1 Activity: To extend the existing contract and re-tender for the supplier of benefits and governance consultancy services currently with Aon due to expire 31 March 2024 (following extension).

3.2.2 Key milestones:

| Key Milestones | Dates | On target for completion? |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Extend contract | January 2023 | On target |
| Register to access national LGPS Frameworks | January 2023 | On target |
| Draft specification of services required and associated documentation | January 2023 to February 2023 | On target |
| Issue invitation to tender to suppliers on the Framework | March 2023 | On target |
| Evaluate tender responses | May 2023 to June 2023 | On target |
| Award contract | July 2023 | On target |

3.2.3 Update: No activity to report for the period.

- 3.3 Extend existing contract and re-tender for legal services provider
- 3.3.1 Activity: To extend the existing contract with Squire Patton Boggs to February 2024 and re-tender for a legal services provider.

3.3.2 Key milestones:

| Key Milestones | Dates | On target for completion? |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Extend existing contract | January 2023 | On target |
| Register to access national LGPS Frameworks | January 2023 | On target |
| Draft specification of services required and associated documentation | July 2023 to August 2023 | On target |
| Issue invitation to tender to suppliers on the Framework | September 2023 | On target |
| Evaluate tender responses | October 2023 to November 2023 | On target |
| Award contract | December 2023 | On target |

- 3.3.3 Update: No activity to report for the period.
- 3.4 Re-tender for pensions administration and pensioner payroll platform
- 3.4.1 Activity: To re-tender for pensions administration and pensioner payroll platform currently with Heywood that is due to cease in September 2024.
- 3.4.2 Key milestones:

| Key Milestones | Dates | On target for completion? |
|---|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Soft market testing and discussions with other Funds | April 2022 to December 2022 | Complete |
| Obtain and complete National LGPS Framework documents | September 2022 | Complete |
| Develop tender documents | January 2023 to March 2023 | On target |
| Undertake framework procurement | April 2023 to September 2023 | On target |
| Award contract to successful provider | October 2023 | On target |
| Business process re-engineering and systems development (if new supplier) | October 2023 to September 2024 | On target |
| Contract commences | October 2024 | On target |

Update: All relevant forms have been obtained from the National LGPS Frameworks and have been completed to allow access to the framework. The next stage is to

develop the tender documents in line with the planned schedule. Consultation is under way with Procurement, Legal and Data Protection teams.

Core governance activities

- 3.5 Continue to develop the Fund's Cyber Strategy
- 3.5.1 Activity: Cyber-crime continues to evolve and become increasingly sophisticated and as such the cyber strategy and action plan developed in 2021/22 will need to be regularly reviewed and new activities added as time goes on.

3.5.2 Key milestones:

| Key Milestones | Dates | On target for completion? |
|---|---------|---------------------------|
| Ongoing monitoring and development of the cyber strategy and action plan evidenced by a separate agenda item at each meeting of the Pension Fund Committee and Pension Fund Board. | 2022/23 | On target |

- 3.5.3 Update: Activities on the cyber strategy, data and asset mapping, cyber security surveys for main suppliers and cyber security awareness training have all been completed. Updates on the hygiene guidelines, phishing exercise, cyber security surveys for other suppliers and incident response plan will be provided as a separate agenda item at this meeting.
- 3.6 Review and implement changes required from the Pension Regulator's new Code of Practice
- 3.6.1 Activity: The new code of practice was expected to come into force summer 2022 following a delay from the Pensions Regulator. The fund will have six months to achieve full compliance with its contents.

3.6.2 Key milestones:

| Key Milestones | Dates | On target for completion? |
|--|--|-------------------------------------|
| Develop an action plan of changes required on launch of code of practice | Rescheduled to Autumn 2022 (Summer 2022) | Dependent upon release of the Code. |
| Present action plan | Pension Fund Committee December 2022 (October 2022) /Local Pension Board January 2022 (November 2022) | Rescheduled based on the above |
| Present update on progress on action plan | Local Pension Board April 2023 (February 2023)/Pension Fund | Rescheduled based on above |

| Committee June 2023 | |
|---------------------|--|
| (March 2023) | |

Update: The Pension Regulator's new code of practice was due to come into force in November 2021 but has been postponed until Autumn 2022. Once the code comes into effect the fund will have 6 months to achieve full compliance.

- 3.7 Implement the best practice recommendations of the good governance review
- 3.7.1 Activity: There has been no further progress on any of the recommendations either by the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) or the Scheme Advisory Board (SAB).
- 3.7.2 Key milestones:

| Key Milestones | Dates | On target for completion? |
|--|--|--|
| Develop an action plan to implement the best practice activities | May 2022 | Dependent upon when the Scheme Advisory Board resume focus on the workplan |
| Present action plan and Conflicts of Interest Policy | Pension Fund Committee December 2022 /Local Pension Board January 2023 (July 2022) | Rescheduled to allow for training prior to approving the policy |
| Present update on progress on action plan | Local Pension Board February 2023/ Pension Committee March 2023 | Dependent upon SAB as above |
| Implementation of activities requiring SAB and DLUHC guidance | Dates to be confirmed upon receipt of further information | Dependent upon SAB as above |

3.7.3 Update: There has been no activity from the SAB or DLUHC in this area since February 2021. Once the Scheme Advisory Board provides further details on the recommendations the fund will develop an action plan. The approval of Conflicts of Interest Policy by the Pension Fund Committee has been rescheduled to December 2022 to allow for a training session to be held in advance.

Scheme member and data projects

- 3.8 Complete the Guaranteed Minimum Pension Rectification
- 3.8.1 Activity: To complete the rectification stage for scheme members, making adjustments to pensions in payment where necessary.

3.8.2 Key milestones:

| Key Milestones | Dates | On target for completion? |
|--|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Manual rectification of outstanding records. | April 2022 to March 2023 | On target |

- 3.8.3 Update: As at September 2022, approximately 550 cases requiring rectification of a scheme member's pension in payment remain outstanding. The project remains on target to complete by 31 March 2023.
- 3.9 Application of the McCloud age discrimination remedy
- 3.9.1 Activity: To rectify the pension records of scheme members within scope of the McCloud ruling following the implementation of the age discrimination remedy once legislation is in place.
- 3.9.2 Key milestones:

| Key Milestones | Dates | On target for completion? |
|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Data sheets returned from scheme employers | February 2022 to April 2022 | Complete |
| Data sheets checked by fund | May 2022 to July 2022 | Complete |
| Uploading of revised scheme member data | August 2022 to March 2023 | In progress |
| Devise communication plan for scheme members and scheme employers | November 2022 | On target |
| Undertake scheme member record preparations to identify in scope members in readiness for the application of the underpin | April 2023 to September 2023 | On target |
| Application of the revised underpin following release of amended LGPS Regulations | October 2023 onwards | On target |

- 3.9.3 Update: DHCLG have recently announced that they expect draft regulations to be issued in late 2022, followed by a consultation in early 2023. As a result, this activity has been realigned accordingly and several new milestones added. This activity is being run on a full project basis with a number of separate workstreams and a detailed project plan.
- 3.10 Processing of undecided leaver records
- 3.10.1 Activity: To reduce the backlog by 2,500 cases per year for the next three years from a baseline of approximately 9,500 cases at the beginning of April 2022.

3.10.2 Key milestones:

| Key Milestones | Dates | On target for completion? |
|---------------------|------------|---------------------------|
| Re-baseline project | April 2022 | Complete |

| Reduce cases by 2,500 | April 22 to March 23 | On target |
|---|--------------------------|-----------|
| Reduce cases by a further 2,500 | April 2023 to March 2024 | On target |
| Reduce cases by a further 2,500 to a business as usual baseline | April 2024 to March 2025 | On target |

- 3.10.3 Update: As at 31 August 2022, the number of unprocessed leavers ringfenced as backlog had decreased by approximately 1,360 from the baseline in April 2022. However, the service has not been able to keep on top of business as usual (BAU) cases meaning some have become aged and therefore the overall number of cases >6 months old has only decreased by circa 500 cases. Further resource is being added to the BAU team and bulk processing was rolled out to this team in September 2022.
- 3.11 Complete the 2022 Valuation of the Pension Fund
- 3.11.1 Activity: The valuation date is 31 March 2022, and the work is carried out during 2022/23 with results to be published by 31 March 2023 and new employer contribution rates effective from 1 April 2023.
- 3.11.2 Key milestones:

| Key Milestones | Dates | On target for completion? |
|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Provision, validation and sign-off of valuation data | July 2022 – August 2022 | Complete |
| Provision of whole Fund results by Fund Actuary | September 2022 | Complete |
| Discuss whole Fund results with Committee | October 2022 | On target |
| Committee to approve Funding Strategy Statement for consultation | October 2022 | On target |
| Funding Strategy Statement issued for consultation | November 2022 | On target |
| Issue draft employer results and contribution strategies to scheme employers | November 2022 to December 2022 | On target |
| Committee to approve final Funding Strategy Statement | December 2022 | On target |
| Consultation and discussions with employers to agree contribution strategies | December 2022 – February 2023 | On target |
| Publication of final valuation report and certified contribution rates | 31 March 2023 | On target |

3.11.3 Update: All valuation activities are on target or completed. Membership data has been provided to the actuary, reviewed and signed off for use in the valuation. An update on the valuation will be presented as a separate agenda item at this meeting.

3.12 Prepare for the implementation of Pension Dashboards

3.12.1 Activity: To prepare for the implementation of Pension Dashboards by 30 September 2024.

3.12.2 Key milestones:

| Key Milestones | Dates | On target for completion? |
|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Work with the Pensions Administration Software supplier to connect to a Pensions Dashboard by the deadline of 30 September 2024. | April 2022 – September 2024 | On target |
| Devise project plan and workstreams to prepare for connection to the Dashboard with clean value data. | October to November 2022 | On target |
| Connect to the Pension Dashboard | By 30 September 2024 | On target |
| Provide value data to the Pension Dashboard | By 1 April 2025 | On target |

3.12.3 Update: Recently issued draft regulations have extended the staging date for LGPS Funds to connect to a pensions dashboard to 30 September 2024 to allow for the remedial work of McCloud to be completed. Data must be available on the dashboard by 1 April 2025. The release of the draft regulations has provided more detailed information as to what is required of pension funds and as such this activity has been initially rescoped. It is expected that this activity will be rescoped further once a project plan has been established.

Investment related activities

- 3.13 Continue development of the ACCESS asset pool
- 3.13.1 Activity: The ACCESS pool has recently appointed MJ Hudson as Implementation Adviser for Illiquid Assets. During 2022/23 MJ Hudson will be implementing pooled solutions for investing in Illiquid assets. Due to the illiquid nature of this asset class, migration of the fund's assets may take several years.

3.13.2 Key milestones:

| Key Milestones | Dates | On target for completion? |
|--|------------------|---------------------------|
| Transition into the new Multi Asset Credit sub fund | By 31 March 2023 | On target |
| Produce plan for investing in illiquid assets in the pooled solution | By 31 March 2023 | On target |

3.13.3 Update: Following data collection and analysis on non-listed assets by MJ Hudson across ACCESS pool members, Real Estate (Property) has been approved by the ACCESS Joint Committee (AJC) as the first asset class to be progressed. Hampshire County Council have been appointed as the procurement lead and procurement documents have been developed and are currently being finalised. MJ Hudson have prepared a document, for consideration by ACCESS pool members, detailing the proposed running order for the procurement of remining non-listed asset classes.

- 3.14 Decarbonisation and improved stewardship reporting
- 3.14.1 Activity: During 2022/23 the fund is planning to commence the transition to a more sustainable portfolio by reviewing its passive equities mandates and commence Task Force on Carbon-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) reporting. The fund will also prepare its first submission under the UK Stewardship Code.
- 3.14.2 Key milestones:

| Key Milestones | Dates | On target for completion? |
|--|---------------|---------------------------|
| Draft TCFD report to be included in Fund annual report | December 2022 | In progress |
| Commence implementation of decarbonisation changes to passive and active equity mandates | December 2022 | On target |
| Draft Stewardship Code submission presented to the Investment Sub Committee | March 2023 | On target |

3.14.3 Update: It was agreed with the Pension Fund Committee that the Fund's TCFD position will be reported within the 21/22 Statement of Accounts which is currently being finalised.

The Pension Fund has developed a Climate Action Plan which includes approved decarbonisation targets to reduce carbon emissions with the aim of achieving net zero by 2050 or earlier. Progress against the plan is shown in Appendix B.

Implementation of decarbonisation changes to passive mandates is progressing well with new passively managed options presented to Investment Sub-Committee members in September, with a decision planned for the November Sub-Committee meeting. Active equity fund managers have been engaged with and made aware of the intentions of the fund.

- 3.15 Review the Fund's Property Investment Strategy
- 3.15.1 Activity: A review of the mandate will be undertaken, including consideration of possible enhancements to the property strategy, especially considering the expected benefits arising from the pooling agenda.

3.15.2 Key milestones:

| Key Milestones | Dates | On target for completion? |
|---|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Report on strategy review presented to Investment Sub Committee | November 2022 | On target |
| Implement required asset class changes from property review | December 2022 – March 2023 | On target |

| Communicate Fund's new | December 2022 | On target |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|
| requirements to the ACCESS illiquid | | |
| asset programme | | |

3.15.3 Update: A property portfolio review covering the target split across real estate styles, sectors, geographies, and implementation route/timeline was presented at the September 2022 ISC for consideration. This review will help shape the fund's Property Investment Strategy and feed into the fund's overall Investment Strategy Review which will agree target allocations across all asset classes.

Communications

- 3.16 Review of website and digital communications during 2022/23
- 3.16.1 Activity: The Pension Fund's web offering will be reviewed to assess whether the website is still fit for purpose and alternative options available to meet the needs of the Fund's stakeholders.
- 3.16.2 Key milestones:

| Key Milestones | Dates | On target for completion? |
|--|--|---|
| Initial engagement with key stakeholders and agreement of project objectives | April 2022 – June 2022 | Completed (August) – Delay from initial target date due to resource constraints within the WNC Digital team. |
| Review of initial engagement including mapping of user journeys and key insights | July 2022 – August 2022 | Complete |
| Investigation into any identified "pain points" identified by user groups and identification of any further areas for improvement | Rescheduled to September – October 2022 (August 2022 - September 2022) | On target |
| Stakeholder demonstration of new user journeys and prototype web pages/functions | Rescheduled to October – November 2022 (September 2022 – October 2022) | On target |

| Presentation of key recommendations to officers | Rescheduled to November – December 2022 (October 2022 – November 2022). | On target |
|---|---|-----------|
| Present outcomes and recommendations to Committee | March 2023 | On target |

3.16.3 Update: Due to resource constraints within the WNC Digital team the timeline was pushed back a month but is still on target to report back to the Pension Fund Board in March 2023. At the initial engagement meeting the key objectives, project team roles, communication methods, high level timeline and stakeholder mapping were agreed. Workshops were held throughout August to identify areas of use, struggle, and need / like-to-have for each website for the Pension Fund's stakeholders.

New Activities following approval of the Business Plan

3.17 Review the Investment Strategy and Strategic Asset Allocation

3.17.1 New Activity: The fund must review its investment strategy and strategic asset allocation (SAA) once the outcomes of the triennial valuation process is known. This will ensure the fund's investment approach is appropriately aligned with its funding strategy and that the fund can pay liabilities as they fall due over time.

It is proposed for this exercise is to be undertaken with the full Pensions Committee, supplemented by virtual training where required.

| Dates | On target for completion? |
|----------------------|--|
| November to December | On target |
| 2022 | |
| January 2023 | On target |
| | |
| March 2023 | On target |
| | _ |
| 2023 onwards | On target |
| | |
| | November to December 2022 January 2023 March 2023 |

3.17.2 Key milestones:

- 3.17.3 Costs: The estimated consultancy costs of the review including training is £12.5k. These costs are included in the agreed governance costs for the year.
- 3.17.4 Update: This is a future activity.

3.18 Private Equity Review

3.18.1 New Activity: The fund has a strategic asset allocation (SAA) for Private Equity of 5% within an overall allocation to Alternative assets of 25%. In order to maintain this the Fund must make regular private equity commitments.

To ensure the continued suitability of the portfolio, a deeper fundamental portfolio review covering exposures, risks and opportunities needs to be undertaken. This will also include modelling of expected commitment levels and deployment rates.

3.18.2 Key milestones:

| Key Milestones | Dates | On target for completion? |
|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Private Equity Portfolio Review | December 2022 to January 2023 | On target |
| Investment Sub Committee approve future private equity commitments | February 2023 | On target |
| Implementation of agreed private equity commitments | March 2023 onwards | On target |

3.18.3 Costs: The estimated consultancy costs of the review and commitment planning is £15k, with expected minor input into implementation billed at time-cost. These costs are included in the agreed governance costs for the year.

3.18.4 Update: This is a future activity.

- 4. Relevant Fund objectives
- 4.1 To continually monitor and measure clearly articulated objectives through business planning.
- 5. Risk Management
- 5.1 The Pension Fund Committee approves the Annual Business Plan and Medium-Term Strategy every March for the upcoming year. The plan highlights the key activities of the Fund, and the progress of these activities are reported through the Business Plan Update reports provided to the Pension Fund Committee and Pension Fund Board at every meeting.
- 5.2 The risks associated with failing to monitor progress against the Business Plan have been captured in the Fund's risk register as detailed below:

| Risk | Residual risk rating |
|--|----------------------|
| Those charged with the governance are unable to fulfil their | Green |
| responsibilities effectively | |
| Failure to provide relevant information to the Pension | Green |
| Committee/Pension Board to enable informed decision making. | |
| Pension Fund objectives not defined and agreed | Green |

- 5.3 Please see the <u>Cambridgeshire Pension Fund Risk Register Executive Summary</u>.
- 6. Communication Implications

The Business Plan Update will be presented to the Pension Fund Committee and Pension Fund Board at each meeting.

- 7. Finance & Resources Implications
- 7.1 Any updated financial implications are set out in the relevant activities.
- 8. Legal Implications
- 8.1 Not applicable
- 9. Consultation with Key Advisers
- 9.1 Consultation with the Fund's advisers was not required for this report.
- 10. Alternative Options Considered
- 10.1 Not applicable
- 11. Background Papers
- 11.1 Cambridgeshire Pension Fund Business Plan and Medium-Term Strategy
- 12. Appendices
- 12.1 Appendix A Variances against the forecast of investments and administration expenses based on original setting of assumptions.
- 12.2 Appendix B Climate Action Plan

Checklist of Key Approvals

| Checklist of Key Approvals | | | |
|---|---------------------------------|--|--|
| Has this report been cleared by Head of Pensions? | Mark Whitby – 27 September 2022 | | |

Appendix A – Variances against the forecast of investments and administration expenses based on original setting of assumptions

| Fund Account | 2022/23 Estimate | 2022/24 Forecast | Variance | Comments |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|-----------|---|
| - | £000 | £000 | £000 | |
| Contributions Transfers in from other | 135,000 8,000 | 138,000 11,000 | 3,000 | Contributions in line with current membership numbers Demand led |
| pension funds | | | | |
| Total income | 143,000 | 149,000 | 6,000 | |
| Benefits payable | (121,000) | (121,000) | - | |
| Payments to and on account of leavers | (10,000) | (9,000) | 1,000 | |
| Total Payments | (131,000) | (130,000) | 1,000 | |
| Net additions/(withdrawals) from dealings with members | 12,000 | 19,000 | 7,000 | |
| Management Expenses | (4,555) | (4,595) | (40) | See below |
| Total income less expenditure | 7,445 | 14,405 | 6,960 | |
| Investment income | 30,000 | 31,000 | 1,000 | Actual income received to September 2022 plus two |
| Taxes on income | - | - | - | estimated quarters |
| profit and (losses) on disposal of investments and changes in the market value of investments | 169,000 | (120,000) | (289,000) | Actual Q2 return followed by actuarial long term growth assumption |
| Net return on | 199,000 | (89,000) | (288,000) | |
| investments Net increase/(decrease) in the net assets available for benefits during the year | 206,445 | (74,595) | (281,040) | |

| Management Expenses | 2021-22 Estimate | 2021-22 Forecast | Variance | Comments |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------|---|
| | £000 | £000 | £000 | |
| Total Administration Expenses | (2,674) | (2,782) | (108) | See below |
| Total Governance Expenses | (900) | (815) | 85 | Forecasts for consultancy and actuarial fees are currently lower than expected |
| Total Investment Invoiced Expenses | (981) | (998) | (17) | Outperformance of property mandate resulting in higher than expect investment manager costs |
| Total Management | | | | |
| Expenses | (4,555) | (4,595) | (40) | |

| Administration Expenses Analysis | 2021-22 Estimate | 2021-22 Forecast | Variance | Comments |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|----------|--|
| | £000 | £000 | £000 | |
| Staff Related | (1,647) | (1,755) | (108) | Budget based on estimated 22/23 pay rates, higher than expected pay awards received. Expected vacancies to be filled during the next quarter |
| Altair administration and payroll system | (398) | (398) | - | |
| Data assurance | (45) | (45) | - | |
| Communications | (41) | (41) | - | |
| Other Non-Pay and Income | (16) | (16) | - | |
| County Council Overhead Recovery | (527) | (527) | - | |
| Total Administration Expenses | (2,674) | (2,782) | (108) | |

Appendix B – Climate Action Plan

Climate Action Plan

Calendar Year

Quarter 1 2022

| Agree decarbonisation pathway and targets that align the beliefs and ambitions of the Investment Sub Committee (ISC) . The ISC agreed target reductions in absolute carbon emissions of the Fund's listed equity holdings of at least: 23% from June 2021 baseline by 2024 57% from June 2021 baseline by 2030 | ✓ |
|--|--------------|
| Communicate agreed targets and aspirations to investment managers | \checkmark |
| | • |
| Instruct advisers to investigate high level approaches to climate aware passive | \checkmark |
| equity investing | |
| Publish Climate Action Plan | \checkmark |

Quarter 2/3 2022

| ISC receive training on strategic options to decarbonise the Pension Fund's active equity portfolio, including setting targets for existing managers and considering sustainable and impact equity and/or UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) alignment | ~ |
|--|----------|
| ISC receive report on high level climate aware passive equity options | ✓ |

Quarter 3/4 2022

| Receive implementable proposal on carbon aware passive equity portfolio | |
|--|--|
| ISC review and approve the Pension Fund's initial report complying with the | |
| requirements of the Task-Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) | |
| Engage with existing active equity managers around decarbonisation approaches | |
| Engage with private asset managers to improve carbon data provision for | |
| portfolios and increased ESG integration | |
| Engage with ACCESS on sustainable/impact equity managers (based on | |
| Committee preferences following Q2 discussion) | |
| Consider draft UK Stewardship Report ahead of submission to the Financial | |
| Reporting Council (FRC) | |
| Implement carbon aware passive equity in Q4 2022 | |
| | |



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2023

| ISC consider proposals to include fixed income portfolio including Multi-Asset | |
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| Credit (MAC) and credit portfolios in climate reporting and target setting | |
| ISC receive report on availability of data and approach on alternatives assets | |
| ISC consider proposals for impact investing | |
| Continuation of the work with active managers to implement carbon reduction | |
| measures and increase the sustainability of the portfolios they manage | |

2024

| ISC consider feasibility of including Scope 3 within emissions reduction reporting | |
|--|--|
| and targets | |
| ISC consider proposals to extend climate reporting and target setting to private | |
| asset classes | |
| ISC review progress made to date against targets and reset short-term and long- | |
| term targets | |
| Pension Committee consider appropriateness of adopting "net zero by 2045" or | |
| earlier aspiration as a firm long-term target (replacing "2050 or earlier") | |
| Continuation of the work with active managers to implement carbon reduction | |
| measures and increase the sustainability of the portfolios they manage | |





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