PENSION FUND COMMITTEE



Date: Thursday, 25 July 2019

10:00hr

Democratic and Members' Services Fiona McMillan Monitoring Officer

> Shire Hall Castle Hill Cambridge CB3 0AP

## Kreis Viersen Room Shire Hall, Castle Hill, Cambridge, CB3 0AP

## AGENDA

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## **Exclusion of Press and Public**

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#### 4. Annual Review of The Fund's Investment Managers

 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information);

#### 5. Investment Manager Fee Review

 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information);

#### 6. Custodian Monitoring Report

 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information);

## 7. Review of Additional Voluntary Contribution (AVC) Providers to the Fund

 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information);

#### 8. Access Asset Pooling Update

 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information);

#### 9. Agenda Plan - to follow

#### 10. Date of Next Meeting -10 a.m. 10th October 2019

The Pension Fund Committee comprises the following members:

Mr Lee Phanco Mr Matthew Pink Councillor Richard Robertson Councillor David Seaton and Mr John Walker Councillor Peter Downes Councillor Ian Gardener Councillor Anne Hay Councillor Terence Rogers Councillor Josh Schumann and Councillor Mike Shellens For more information about this meeting, including access arrangements and facilities for people with disabilities, please contact

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## MINUTES OF THE PENSION FUND COMMITTEE

Date: Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2019

Time: 10.00 a.m. -12.30 p.m.

Place: Kreis Viersen Room, Shire Hall, Cambridge

Present: Councillors: D Ambrose Smith (substituting for Cllr Gardener) A Hay, R Robertson T Rogers (Chairman) J Schumann and M Shellens; L Phanco, M Pink, and J Walker

Officers: C Blose, S Heywood, M Oakensen, R Sanderson, J Walton and M Whitby

Consultants: D Green Hymans Robertson LLP

Observers: Councillor S King and D Payne

Apologies: Councillors P Downes, I Gardener and D Seaton.

### 134. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Lee Phanco declared an interest as a member of an LGPS scheme (not the Cambridgeshire Fund) and as a Director of the Cambridge Sports Hall Trust.

Matthew Pink declared a personal interest as both he and his wife were active members of the LGPS.

Councillor R Robertson declared a personal interest as his wife was in receipt of a small pension.

John Walker later in the meeting declared a personal interest (i) as a retired member of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS), (ii) his daughter-in-law was a current member of the LGPS and (ii) his son was a deferred Member of the LGPS.

## 135. MINUTES OF THE PENSION FUND COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 28<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2019

The minutes of the Pension Fund Committee meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2019 were approved as a correct record and were signed by the Chairman.

Issues arising:

With reference to Minute 127 'Investment Strategy', a Member queried the resolution reading "It was resolved by a majority ... " asking why the individual Member voting record was not shown. The Democratic Services officer explained it was not County Council policy to show individual voting in a committee meeting unless a Member specifically asked at the time of the vote that the way they had voted be recorded in the minutes. In reply to whether this applied to the Pension Committee, the Chairman confirmed that the Committee would be following the same protocol.

On the same minute on page 15 on the paragraph reading: "The Committee discussed how the Fund would manage negative cash flow in future years, and also how the significant passive portfolio (approximately 40%) factored in to the Investment Strategy" Councillor Robertson requested details of the discussion. As the Democratic Services officer who attended the last meeting was not present, they would be asked to look at their notes and provide the Councillor with more detail in an e-mail outside of the meeting. **Action: Democratic Services / the Chairman agreed to ask Dawn Cave** who had minuted that meeting.

## 136. MINUTES ACTION LOG

On item 115 stating that a draft response had been circulated to members in response to the question received from Dr Smith, an oral correction was given indicating that although a couple of drafts had been provided to Mark Whitby, the response had not yet been circulated but a final version was expected to be able to circulated in the next two weeks.

On item 122 stating that a report on measures to automate monthly data collection would be circulated before the end of June, it was confirmed that this was still on target.

The Committee noted the Minute Action Log with the above correction.

### 137. GOVERNANCE AND COMPLIANCE REPORT

This report provided the Committee with updates on:

- a) Activities of the Local Government Pension Scheme Advisory Board.
- b) Information on Government Consultations affecting the Local Government Pension Scheme
- c) Skills and knowledge opportunities.

Attention was specifically drawn to the following issues:

- The pause in both Her Majesty's (HM) Treasury and Scheme Advisory Board cost cap processes due to the uncertain outcome of the McCloud case that might see a change to transitional protection put in place when the LGPS was reformed in 2014. Paragraph 2.1.4 set out the possible outcomes.
- Paragraph 2.2.4 set out the four possible options that had been considered under the Scheme Advisory Board's good governance review which had been the subject of consultation with stakeholders.
- Paragraph 3.3 'Consultation on Exit Payments Cap' (Government consultation on plans to introduce a £95k cap on exit payments in the public sector). Paragraph 3.6 set out the details which had particular implications for those members at 55 and over being made redundant and who were currently entitled to both a redundancy payment and their strain cost of paying their pension without reductions would exceed this cap figure. Officers would be drafting a response to the consultation on behalf of the Fund and would be circulating it to the Chairman and Vice Chairman prior to submission to HM Treasury. There was a request to include in the response seeking clarification on who would be the decision maker and any decision making

exemptions to be given, as it would be impractical to go back to the Treasury for a response in each particular case that could arise. **Action: Mark Whitby** 

Later in the meeting the Chairman drew Committee Members attention back to pages 28-29 of the agenda regarding the list of internal and external training and events in 2019-20 and reminded them to let the officers know if they wished to participate in any events to help increase their training credits and so that the organisations could be contacted to confirm attendance.

One Member questioned the value of the credits given and whether more than two credits should be given for the larger seminars which was the case with some other organisations. The credits system had previously been agreed by the Committee and were as follows:

- 2 credits for a full day
- 4 credits for more than one day
- 1 credit for 1/2 day

There was a request for a review of the credits system as Councillor Robertson could not justify the amounts of time required currently to earn the necessary number of credits. Agreed that there should be a report to next meeting reviewing the credit system to ascertain whether it was still fit for purpose or required amendment. **Action: Michelle Oakensen** 

There was a request that an updated list should be sent to all the Members of the Committee which included venue details **Action: Michelle Oakensen** 

#### It was resolved:

To note the report.

## 138. ADMINISTRATION AND PERFORMANCE REPORT

This report provided updates in the following areas:

- Variances against the forecast of investments and administration expenses as set out in Appendix 1 of the report.
- Key Performance Indicators LGSS Pensions as set out in Appendix 2 to the report.
- Receipt of Employee and Employer Contributions as detailed in Appendix 3 to the report.
- Details of late paying employers as detailed in the confidential Appendix 4.
- A new section Breaches of the Law of which, there were none to report.
- Another new section for more regular reporting Members Dispute Resolution Procedure details - including Stage 1 and Stage 2 disputes and disputes escalated to the Pension Ombudsman as set out in section 2.5 of the report.
- Large overpayments over £3k detailed in section 2.6 of the report there was one of just over £10k which would need to be recovered and was a result of not being informed of a person's death. An invoice had been raised.

In discussion:

- On the disputes statistics in paragraphs 2.5.3 (Stage1) 2.5. 4. (Stage 2) and 2.5.5 (Stage 3 the Ombudsman) asking what were the timescales? Stage 1 the timescale for a response was two months, Stage 2 involved the Monitoring Officer was two months and could be longer if more time was required to make an informed decision, while Stage 3, as it involved an independent investigation by the Ombudsman, had no specific timescales and one case had recently taken over a year. The figures showed there were very few cases in any of the stages.
- On the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) officers were congratulated for all targets having been met. It was suggested by more than one Member that there was a need to review them on whether some required more challenging targets. This should be on the basis of whether it could improve the customer experience, whilst at the same time not unduly putting pressure on limited officer resources. An example highlighted being the target to notify leavers of deferred benefit entitlement within 15 working days of receiving all relevant information. The Head of Pensions confirmed that the KPIs were being reviewed but cautioned that they were already challenging to meet, as not all were a complete process, as some involved information being provided by employers. Officers would take the comments on board with the intention of bringing back a report to Quarter 3 which would include full customer journeys. Action: Michelle Oakensen.
- On whether details were known of Eastern Europeans leaving as a result of BREXIT and their impact on the Fund it was clarified that employers already had turnover of around 15%. Local Government reorganisation e.g. Northamptonshire County Council was seen as having a far greater impact on the administration functions of the Pension Fund than BREXIT
- Member allowances query This had been discussed with Democratic Services and going forward there would be more independence on how these would be paid.

#### It was resolved:

To note the report.

## 139. DATA IMPROVEMENT PLAN PROGRESS REPORT

This report detailed progress made against the Pension Fund Data Improvement Plan with a summary of the full list of data activity improvements included in Appendix 1 to the report and the activities in progress set out in section 2 of the report. Highlighted as a good news update was that the 8 variance cases referred to had now been reconciled.

In discussion;

With reference to page 54 Data reference activity 4 – Resolution of scheme specific data fails identified in the 2018 Data Audit - it was confirmed in answer to a question that extending the completion of this work for a year was not an issue as the Pensions Regulator would be satisfied that progress was being made. Pensioner payroll vs Pension Administration Reconciliation and Rectification - On the overpayments tables under section 2.3.3 it was suggested that it would be useful to see the financial details to get an idea of what the highest and lowest were. It was indicated that this

information would be provided in the October report. **Action: Jo Walton.** (It was also suggested by one Member that the median would be useful if looking at the average overpayments). In reply to the question raised, the range varied between £2 and £10k and over, of which there was one of the latter, as already referred to earlier in the meeting.

#### It was resolved:

To note the report.

## 140. PENSION FUND ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN UPDATE 2019-20

This report presented an update of the Pension Fund Business Plan.

Issues raised in debate included:

**2.2.1 GC2 Procure a supplier of mortality screening and Member Tracing Services and process Results -** Accurate Data Services had been awarded the contract following a further competition using the National LGPS Framework for Member Data Services. One Member suggested that regarding the intention to report on the improvements made to the quality of the Fund's data, information should also be provided on the percentage of errors. The officers intended to report back in October on the value of undertaking the exercise.

**2.3 GC7 Complete the Guaranteed minimum Pension Reconciliation Project with Rectification of members records** As an update it was reported that Her Majesty's Revenues and Customs Service (HMRC) had still not provided all the information required. One Member indicated that for Fund members he would wish to see errors resolved earlier rather than later, and asked what pressure could be put on HMRC. It was agreed that officers would find the appropriate methods to raise concerns with HMRC about the pace the information was being supplied. Every Pension Fund in the UK was experiencing the same problems in terms of having to complete the exercise.

**2.3.1 CSEM 1 Incorporate employer covenant monitoring into the valuation cycle –** Employer management was becoming one of the biggest challenges in managing the Fund. Assessing an employers' covenant (its ability to support the Pension liabilities now and in the future) was an important step in ensuring the security of the Fund. A query was raised regarding what was the expected outcome of the covenant monitoring. The intention was to provide an oversight to ensure no employer was at more risk of not being able to meet its liabilities. Further Education Colleges and small charities were currently identified as being at the most risk. A follow up question was raised regarding the McCloud case and its implications. It was reiterated that until the case was resolved and the outcome known, only could its impact be assessed for different employers and until such resolution, the Fund was required to continue with the existing benefits structure. It was confirmed in response to a query that the same transition arrangements would apply to all the types of employers.

**2.3.3 CSEM4 Implement monthly data collection for all employers** – there was a request for an update on the expected completion date for all employers in using the new on line data portal for monthly submissions. Different deadlines were required for different

employers and the next tranche was scheduled for July. The deadline for taking on board the 80 employers referred to in the section, was August.

2.4.2 OPS2 Design a range of customer experience key performance Indicators and those key performance indicators on the next two pages where it was being indicated that they were on target, it was suggested that they should have details of the target dates of all activities in the Business Plan. The target quarter when the work was to be undertaken for Operations KPI's were included in the table in 2.4. Action: It was agreed that in future reports the tables should all also provide target dates rather than just the quarter the work would be undertaken in. Jo Walton

Whether if the McCloud judgement resulted in additional administration work with regards to implementing backdated changes the Pensions Service had enough staff resource to deal with the consequences. Should more resource be required officers would come back to the Committee but currently the Head of Pensions was comfortable with existing staff resources. If the final judgment was in respect of retrospective contributions, then the issues would be more for the employers.

The Chairman made reference to the compulsory Effectiveness Plan and Review Questionnaire that had been e-mailed out to all members to help gauge how effectively the Committee was operating. As only four returns had so far been received even after an extension was given, hard copies would be handed out at the end of the meeting and placed in the pigeon holes of those members who were not present, with a requirement to return them no later than 30<sup>th</sup> June.

#### It was resolved:

To note the Pension Fund Business Plan Update for the period ending 31st May 2019 of the 2019 /20 financial year.

## 141. CAMBRIDGESHIRE PENSION FUND – 2019-20 COMMUNICATION PLAN

This report presented the above Plan setting out the communications activities for the 2019-20 scheme year for Committee approval. The main change was pushing ahead with electronic communications.

As an oral update it was reported that a new Communications Officer had now been recruited

#### It was resolved:

To approve the Communications Plan located in Appendix 1 of the report.

## 142. EMPLOYER ADMISSIONS AND CESSATIONS REPORT

This report informed the Committee of the admission of four admitted bodies, one scheduled body and three cessations from the Cambridgeshire Pension Fund.

Reference was made that regarding those who joined, in most cases there was not the choice to refuse them. There was a request that in future reports it was made clearer

#### which of those listed admittance were ones where the Fund had no discretion. Action: Cory Blose

#### It was resolved to:

1. Note the admission of the following admitted bodies to the Cambridgeshire Pension Fund and approves the sealing of the admission agreements:

- Caterlink
- Aspens Services Limited
- Edwards and Blake
- ABM Catering Limited

2. Note the admission of the following scheduled body to the Cambridgeshire Pension Fund:

- OWN Academy Trust
- 2. Note the exit of the following bodies from the Cambridgeshire Pension Fund:
  - Churchill Contract Services Ltd (Thorndown Primary School)
  - SLM Ltd Everyone Active
  - Cambridge Live

## 143. ACCESS ASSET POOLING UPDATE

This report updated the Board on the Access Joint Committee (AJC) meeting of 18<sup>th</sup> March and developments up to the date of the report with Appendix A containing the approved Minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> December 2018 AJC meeting and Appendix B the Business Plan and Budget Update report presented to the 18<sup>th</sup> March meeting to which an oral update indicated that the Committee had agreed it.

It was reported that the Project was progressing well with listed equities created as planned and passive now under the joint arrangements with the costs, as set out in the spend vs Budget table on page 104.

The report was noted.

## 144. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was resolved:

That under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they contained exempt information under Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended (information which is likely to reveal information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person) and that it would not be in the public interest for this information to be disclosed.

### 145. ACCESS ASSET POOLING UPDATE APPENDIX B (ADDITIONAL INFORMATION) AND APPENDIX C

In answer to a query it was confirmed that there had been challenge and scrutiny of the Business Plan and the increase in costs as set out in the tables in the report with updates provided at the March meeting. There was a request that the Chairman should continue to challenge slipped timetables and budget increases.

An update was provided in respect of the Access Support Unit explaining that the contract manager and support officer were in post. In terms of the recruitment of the Director post, this had proved unsuccessful. The Joint Committee had agreed to undertake a further recruitment exercise inviting applications from officers from the Pension Funds and involving the Section 151 officers.

Regarding future representation on the Joint Committee, Unison had requested voting member representation and this and the issue of Pension Fund Board observer representation was to be considered formally at the next Joint Committee.

The Update and the Consultation response letter at Appendix C on the LGPS Statutory Guidance on Asset Pooling to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government was noted.

## 146. VALUATION OF THE FUND

Douglas Green of Hymans Robertson LLP, the Fund's Actuary, provided an update on current actions and an overview of the timeline moving forward.

A presentation was tabled with copies provided for all Members of the Committee present highlighting:

- an overview of the Funding Strategy Statement,
- an overview of the assessment and the results regarding the contribution rates for larger scheduled bodies in the Fund,
- An overview of results of an assessment carried out by the Actuary of the current small admitted body's pool and the designated body's pool. As their purpose, to provide protection for small employers against large funding shocks such as ill health strain costs and deaths in service, had been overtaken over time by alternative arrangements, this set out future options for them. No decisions were proposed at the current meeting as consultation required to be undertaken with affected employers, with the view to coming back for a decision at the October Committee meeting that would include the feedback views from the affected employers.

It was resolved to:

note the valuation update and presentation.

## 147. FORWARD AGENDA PLAN

The Committee noted the Forward Agenda Plan.

Chairman

Pension Fund Committee

### Action log from 13<sup>th</sup> June and previous meetings

This log captures the actions from the Pension Fund Committee of the 13th June 2019 together with any carried forward items from previous meetings and updates members on the progress on compliance in delivering the necessary actions. This is the updated action log as at 16<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

### Outstanding actions from 28<sup>th</sup> March 2019 meeting of the Pension Fund Committee

ltem No.	Item	Action to be taken by	Issue	Action/Status
122.	Annual Business Plan and Medium Term Strategy 2019- 20 to 2021-22	Cory Blose	It was noted that measures were been examined to automate monthly data collection as far as possible, and it was agreed to circulate a report on this.	<b>Ongoing –</b> This will be circulated before the October 2019 meeting.

#### Outstanding actions from 13<sup>th</sup> June 2019 meeting of the Pension Fund Committee

ltem No.	Item	Action to be taken by	Issue	Action/Status
135.	Minutes of the Pension Fund Committee meeting held on 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	Democratic Services	Councillor Robertson requested details of a discussion that was held in the previous meeting regarding how the Fund would manage negative cash flow in future years, and also how the significant passive portfolio (approximately 40%) factored in to the Investment	The request was passed to Dawn Cave Democratic Services following the last Pension Fund Committee.
			Strategy.	<b>Ongoing</b> - at the time this action Minute log was finalised.

ltem No.	Item	Action to be taken by	Issue	Action/Status
137.	Governance and Compliance Report	Jo Walton	There has been a request that when drafting a response to the 'Consultation on Exit Payments Cap' on behalf of the Fund that officers are to include clarification on who would be the decision maker and any decision making exemptions to be given, as it would be impractical to go back to the Treasury for a response in each particular case that could arise.	<b>Completed</b> - Noted in the covering email of the consultation response sent to HM Treasury.
137.	Governance and Compliance Report	Michelle Oakensen	There was a request for a review of the credits system as Councillor Robertson could not justify the amounts of time required currently to earn the necessary number of credits. Agreed that there should be a report to next meeting reviewing the credit system to ascertain whether it was still fit for purpose or required amendment.	<b>Ongoing</b> – will look to review the credit system for October.
137.	Governance and Compliance Report	Michelle Oakensen	There was a request that an updated Training Schedule is sent to all Members of the Committee which included venue details.	Ongoing – When all member's individual training logs are reviewed during July, we will ensure that the Training Schedule is re-circulated.
138.	Administration and Performance Report	Michelle Oakensen	With regards to Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) it has been requested that a report is brought to Quarter 3 which would include the customer's full journey, as currently the KPIs do not cover this.	Ongoing – The KPIs are currently in the process of being reviewed. An update will be brought to the October meeting.
139.	Data Improvement	Joanne Walton	For the Pensioner payroll vs Pension Administration Reconciliation and Rectification work it was suggested that it would be useful to see the financial details to get an idea of what the highest and lowest were.	<b>Ongoing –</b> This information will be provided in the October update report.
139.	Data Improvement	Joanne Walton	When confirm that Accurate Data Services had been awarded the contract following a further competition using the National LGPS Framework for Member Data Services it was suggested that regarding the intention to report on the improvements made to the quality of the Fund's data, information should also be provided on the percentage of errors.	<b>Ongoing –</b> It was indicated that this information would be provided in the October report.

ltem No.	Item	Action to be taken by	Issue	Action/Status
140.	Pension Fund Annual Business Plan Update 2019-20	Joanne Walton	It was reported that Her Majesty's Revenues and Customs Service (HMRC) had still not provided all the information required for the Guaranteed minimum Pension Reconciliation Project. One Member indicated that he would wish to see errors resolved earlier rather than later, and asked what pressure could be put on HMRC.	<b>Jo –</b> Matter raised with ITM Limited (the outsourced providers carrying out this project). At time of writing, no response received.
140.	Pension Fund Annual Business Plan Update 2019-20	Joanne Walton	When looking at the OPS2 Design a range of customer experience key performance Indicators it was agreed that in future reports the tables should all also provide target dates rather than just the quarter the work would be undertaken in.	<b>Completed –</b> Key milestones have been included for future reports.
142.	Employer Admissions and Cessations Report	Cory Blose	Reference was made that regarding those who joined, in most cases there was not the choice to refuse them. There was a request that in future reports it was made clearer which of those listed admittance were ones where the Fund had no discretion.	<b>Completed –</b> This information has been included within the report.

## CAMBRIDGESHIRE PENSION FUND



## **Pension Fund Committee**

## 25<sup>th</sup> July 2019

## Report by: HEAD OF PENSIONS

Subject:	Pension Fund Annual Report and Statement of Accounts 2018-19.
Purpose of the Report	To present the Draft Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the Pension Fund for the 2018-19 financial year.
	That the Committee: 1. Approves the Draft Annual Report and notes the
Recommendations	Statement of Accounts of the Pension Fund for the 2018- 19 financial year.
	<ol> <li>Approves the Head of Pensions in consultation with the Chairman to agree any immaterial amendments to the Annual Report arising from final External Auditor review comments.</li> </ol>
Enquiries to:	Fiona Coates, Pension Services Financial Manager Tel – 07787 260894 Email: <u>fcoates@northamptomshire.gov.uk</u>

#### 1. Background

- 1.1. The Pension Fund's Statement of Accounts (SOA) form part of the County Council's Statement of Accounts. These are audited by the County Council's external auditor EY. The auditor confirms whether, in their opinion, the SOA reflect a true and fair view of the financial position of the authority (and the Fund within it) and that the SOA is free from material misstatement.
- 1.2. The Fund's Annual Report and SOA have been subject to audit fieldwork by the County Council's external auditor. Whilst EY perform a full audit of the SOA, their work on the Annual Report is limited to a review to ensure compliance with guidance and consistency with the SOA.
- 1.3. The annual accounts are a true and view of the financial activities of the Fund for the financial year 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019.
- 1.4. They are based on transactions accounted for within the Fund's financial ledger, information received from Investment Managers and the Fund's Custodian, and assumptions and estimations utilising the professional judgement of officers and Fund professional advisers in order to give a true and fair statement of the Fund's financial position.

- 1.5. The structure and content of the Annual Report is governed by guidance issued by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) in compliance with Regulation 57 of The Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 2013 (as amended).
- 1.6. CIPFA has issued the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom 2018-19 (the Code), which governs the preparation of the financial statements for Local Government Pension Scheme funds.
- 1.7. For 2018-19 the main changes to the Code applicable to pension funds have not impacted on the Fund's SOA, and are noted below for completeness only:
  - 1.7.1. Changes to IRF9 which is recognised in the guidance as having limited impact on pension funds and indeed has no impact in the attached statements.
  - 1.7.2. Deletion of analysis of debtor and creditors across public sector bodies in line with paragraphs 5.2.6.3 and 8.1.6.2 of the Code.
  - 1.7.3. Separate analysis of any gains and losses arising from the de recognition of assets held at amortised cost, paragraph 7.3.2.14 of the Code.
  - 1.7.4. Creation of a long term debtor to reflect reimbursement arrangements put in place at many local authority pension funds for the lifetime tax allowance introduced in 2016.
- 1.8. The CIPFA template has been used as a framework for the SOA to ensure that the reporting meets the requirements of the Code and is compliant with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).
- 1.9. The publication of the Accounts is an essential feature of public accountability and stewardship as it provides information on how the Fund has used the members' funds for which it is responsible.

## 2. Annual Report

- 2.1. The Annual Report has been compiled in line with CIPFA guidance on Preparing the Annual Report (2019 edition). The guidance aims to promote consistency across all Local Government Pension Funds (LGPS) annual reports, promoting awareness of the scheme and providing members and stakeholders with relevant information in an accessible and consistent manner.
- 2.2. The guidance assists practitioners to meet the current regulatory framework which additionally supports the LGPS Advisory Board to produce a scheme wide annual report for England and Wales.
- 2.3. The Annual Report and Statement of Accounts, attached at Appendix A has been refreshed applying best practice from other Funds and new ideas from the team to improve the layout and content and has been set out over eight sections:-
  - 2.3.1. Preface
  - 2.3.2. Scheme Administration
  - 2.3.3. Management and Financial Performance
  - 2.3.4. Investment Policy and Performance
  - 2.3.5. Actuarial Information
  - 2.3.6. Audit Opinion
  - 2.3.7. Pension Fund Accounts
  - 2.3.8. Glossary

## 3. Annual Report

- 3.1. The preface provides an introduction to the Annual Report framing the arrangements for the management of the Fund, a statement of responsibilities and listing key third parties.
- 3.2. The Scheme Administration section describes the scheme framework, how the Fund is administered, the Administering Authority's role, membership movements and Pension Committee and Local Pension Board membership. In addition it sets out the key policies and strategies of the Fund and key policy changes through the financial year.
- 3.3. Management and Financial Performance describes the management of the Fund and sets out how decisions are made, the structure of the Pensions Service and sections on risk management and performance of the service. In addition this section lists employer establishments, their contributions and status.
- 3.4. Investment Policy and Performance describes the legislation under which investment of Fund assets is undertaken, the Fund's investment strategy and performance including commentary on asset pooling. The Fund's investment consultant reviews the 2018-19 economic market background and the future outlook.
- 3.5. Actuarial Information describes how the Fund has complied with the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 2013 and the Fund's key funding principles adopted in the Funding Strategy Statement. This section describes the most recent triennial valuation and the key assumptions applied.
- 3.6. The section referring to Audit Opinion is currently blank pending the conclusion of the annual audit of the Administering Authority's Statement of Accounts.
- 3.7. The final major section of the document is the accounting statements and notes to the accounts and is approved as a section within the Administering Authority's SOA and therefore this section is for the Pension Committee to note.

## 4. Highlights

- 4.1. The Fund Account and the Net Asset Statement provide a summary of the financial activity with the notes to the accounts providing further information. A copy of the Annual Report and SOA can be found at Appendix A.
- 4.2. The financial information of the Pension Fund combine the Fund ("members") and Investment activities. The 2018-19 financial year shows a surplus on member activity of £12m, which when combined with returns on investment activity of £228m, offset by Management Expenses of £16.9m, results in a "net increase in the net assets available for benefits during the year" of £223m, with the Fund's net assets rising to £3,193m.
- 4.3. Contribution receipts decreased slightly by £4m reflecting a reduction in deficit payments in 2018-19 due to employers paying in advance in previous years, Note 7 to the SOA sets out the detail of contributions receivable.
- 4.4. Benefit payments in 2018-19 of £106m show an increase of £7m over 2017-18, being a combination of increased pension payments of £5.4m and commutation and lump sum retirement benefits of £1.6m. Note 9 to the SOA provides this detail. The increase in pension payments reflects the growth in the number of pensioners from 18,054 in 2017-18 to 18,775 in 2018-19 and the pension cost of living increase of 2.4%.
- 4.5. The one year investment return as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019 was a net market return of £228m. The investment return for the Fund over the financial year was 7.1% compared to the Fund's weighted benchmark return of 8.9%. Equity managers with the

exception of J O Hambro underperformed the benchmark over the year in addition to non-government bonds. The Fund outperformed the average Local Authority Pension Fund return of 6.6% and significantly outperformed the UK Average Weekly Earnings Index and the Consumer Price Index. Investment performance is discussed further within the Annual Report. (Pages 30-40 in the Annual Report).

- 4.6. Investment Income increased from £38.1m in 2017-18 to £45.5m in 2018-19 mainly from equities and pooled investments. The Fund also saw profit and losses on disposal of investments and changes in the market value of investments of £182.7m reflecting strong global equity market performance over the financial year.
- 4.7. The Fund occasionally receives foreign income on investments net of withholding tax. Where tax agreements exist, the Fund is able to reclaim this tax and a debtor is recorded in Investment Income Due (Note 14). Where the Fund is unable to reclaim the tax deducted, this is recorded as an expense to the Fund. In 2018-19, the Fund incurred withholding tax of £85k.
- 4.8. The number of active employers increased by 48 to 254 at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018. Multiple academy trusts are counted as a single employer to reflect the contractual relationship between the Fund and the Trust.
- 4.9. Membership activity shows an increase of 1,479 active members, 721 pensioners and a reduction of 107 deferred members.

## 5. Findings and Feedback from External Audit Fieldwork.

- 5.1. EY have completed their audit fieldwork of the Pension Fund Statement of Accounts but have not yet fully completed their review work. EY have issued a draft ISA260 report which confirms that no issues were identified during their fieldwork. An open issue for discussion with EY is the disclosure of the potential impact of the McCloud judgement on Fund liabilities which are disclosed as a Note the SoA.
- 5.2. The Final version of the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts will be published on the Fund's website and circulated to members.

## 6. Recommendations

- 6.1. That the Pension Committee:
  - 6.1.1. Approves the Draft Annual Report and note the Statement of Accounts of the Pension Fund for the 2018-19 financial year.
  - 6.1.2. Approves the Head of Pensions in consultation with the Chairman to agree any immaterial amendments to the Annual Report arising from final External Auditor review comments.

## 7. Relevant Pension Fund Objectives

Have robust governance arrangements in place, to facilitate informed decision making, supported by appropriate advice, policies and strategies, whilst ensuring compliance with appropriate legislation and statutory guidance.

Manage the Fund in a fair and equitable manner, having regard to what is in the best interest of the Fund's stakeholders, particularly the scheme members and employers.

Ensure the relevant stakeholders responsible for managing, governing and administering the Fund, understand their roles and responsibilities and have the appropriate skills and knowledge to ensure those attributes are maintained in a changing environment.

Continually monitor and measure clearly articulated objectives through business planning. Continually monitor and manage risk, ensuring the relevant stakeholders are able to mitigate risk where appropriate.

Provide scheme members with up to date information about the scheme in order that they can make informed decisions about their benefits.

Seek and review regular feedback from all stakeholders and use the feedback appropriately to shape the administration of the Fund.

#### 8. Risk Management

8.1. The mitigated risk associated with this proposal has been captured in the Fund's risk register as detailed below -

Risk	Risk mitigated	Residual risk
3	Contributions to the Fund are not received on the correct date and/or for the correct amount	Amber
4	Fund assets are not sufficient to meet obligations and liabilities.	Amber
5	Information may not be provided to stakeholders as required	Green
7	Those charged with governance are unable to fulfil their responsibilities effectively	Green
11	Custody arrangements may not be sufficient to safeguard Pension Fund assets.	Green
13	Failure to administer the scheme in line with regulations and guidance.	Green
17	Pension Fund investments may not be accurately valued.	Green
23	Investment decisions and portfolio management may not achieve the return required or be performed in accordance with instructions provided.	Green

8.2. The Fund's full risk register can be found on the Fund's website at the following link:

https://pensions.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/app/uploads/2019/05/RiskRegisterCPF.May20 19.pdf

### 9. Finance & Resources Implications

9.1. There are no additional finance implications as a result of the recommendations set out in this paper.

### **10.** Communication Implications

- 10.1. The Regulations determine that the accounts and other related documents have to be made available for public inspection. They were available for public inspection between 12 June and 23 July 2019 inclusive.
- 10.2. The statutory date for publication of the final set of the County Council's Statement of Accounts is the end of July, and in accordance with recognised practice, the Council considers its Statement of Accounts to be published from the date that a final certified copy is made available via the Council's website.
- 10.3. The Statutory date for publication of the Pension Funds Annual Report is 1<sup>st</sup> December.

### 11. Legal Implications

11.1. There are no legal implications as a result of the recommendations set out in this paper.

## 12. Consultation with Key Advisors

12.1. The Pension Fund Accounts were produced utilising information and advice provided by Investment Managers, the Fund's Custodian Northern Trust and the Fund's Actuary, Hymans Robertson.

## **13.** Alternative Options Considered

13.1. The Pension Fund Annual Report and Statement of Accounts is a statutory requirement with a prescribed structure, which has been complied with.

## 14. Background Papers

14.1. The Pension Fund Accounts are supported by a detailed set of working papers that are subject to examination as part of the External Audit review.

## 15. Appendices

15.1. Appendix A – Annual Report (draft) and Statement of Accounts.

Checklist of Key Approvals		
Is this decision included in the Business Plan?	Not applicable.	
Will further decisions be required? If so, please outline the timetable here	Not applicable.	
Is this report proposing an amendment to the budget and/or policy framework?	No.	
Has this report been cleared by the Head of Pensions?	Yes. Paul Tysoe, on behalf of Mark Whitby.5 July 2019.	
Has this report been cleared by the Section 151 Officer / Director of Finance?	Yes Sarah Heywood. 11 July 2019.	
Has the Chairman of the Pension Fund Board been consulted?	Yes. Cllr Rogers. 11 July 2019.	
Has this report been cleared by Legal Services?	.Yes. Fiona McMillan. 8 July 2019.	

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## **Chairman's Foreword**

It gives me great pleasure to introduce the Cambridgeshire Pension Fund Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for 2018-19. It has been another busy year for the Fund with many highlights and continual evolution and improvement of service standards.

The Fund introduced a Data Improvement Policy and Plan, a requirement of the Pension Regulator's Code of Practice. As part of this Plan the Fund completed a significant and challenging project to reconcile the Fund's pensioner payroll and pensions administration system.

In the investments arena, the continued development of the ACCESS asset pool is progressing at a steady pace and generating significant value for money benefits for all participants.

The Fund's investment strategy over the past two years has steadily increased allocations to longer duration investments such as private equity and infrastructure, whilst reducing the dependency on listed equities. This has provided greater diversification across asset classes as well as reducing our exposure to equity risk.

The 2018-19 year continued the trend of increasing membership, with active membership increasing to 28,976 members and overall membership to 82,909 members (80,816 as at 31 March 2018). The number of employers within the Fund has also grown, with over 254 organisations providing for their employees' retirement through the Cambridgeshire Fund.

At 31 March 2019 the Fund was valued at £3.19bn, an increase of £223m over the March 2018 valuation of £2.97bn. The Fund returned 7.1% for the financial year ending March 2019, underperforming the Fund's benchmark of 8.9%, mainly reflecting underperformance of one of the Fund's active global equity managers and the strategic bonds mandate. However the Fund significantly outperformed the Local Authority Universe average performance of 6.6% and Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase of 1.9%.

Improving engagement with scheme members has been a key theme for this year, the successful implementation of a new website and Members' Hub have both provided a more integrated experience. It has been encouraging to see a 50% increase in members registering to view their pension details online during the year.

The transition to monthly data provision by scheme employers, our main data providers, has continued to gather pace. The majority of membership data is now provided by monthly return, as opposed to at year-end, thus increasing data quality and our ability to administer the Fund in an efficient manner.

This has been a successful year for the Fund and I would like to thank the hard work of the Pension Fund Committee and Investment Sub-Committee, members of the Local Pension Board, the Chief Finance Officer, the Head of Pensions and all staff involved in the administration and management of the Fund.

**Councillor Terry Rogers** 

Chairman of the Cambridgeshire Pension Fund Committee.

Dated xx xxxxxx 2019

# **Statement of Responsibilities**

#### Introduction

This Annual Report and Statement of Accounts sets out the arrangements by which the Local Government Pension Scheme operates, reports changes which have taken place and reviews the investment activity and performance of the Cambridgeshire County Council Pension Fund ("Fund") during the year.

The Statement of Accounts has been prepared in accordance with the CIPFA/LASAAC Code of Practice for Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom 2018-19.

The accounts summarise the transactions of the Fund and deal with the net assets at the disposal of the Pension Fund Committee members. The accounts do not take account of the obligation to pay future benefits which fall due after year end. The actuarial position of the Fund which takes into account these obligations is available on the Fund's website, http://pensions.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/app/uploads/2012/10/CPF-2016-Actuary-Valuation-Report.pdf

The Council's Responsibilities

The Council is required to:

- make arrangements for the proper administration of its financial affairs and to secure that one of its officers has the responsibility for the administration of those affairs. In this Council that officer is the Chief Finance Officer;
- manage its affairs to secure economic, efficient and effective use of resources and safeguard its assets; and
- approve the Statement of Accounts.

#### **The Chief Finance Officer's Responsibilities**

The Chief Finance Officer is responsible for the preparation of the Council's statement of accounts in accordance with proper practices as set out in the CIPFA/LASAAC Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom (the Code).

In preparing this statement of accounts, the Chief Finance Officer has:

- selected suitable accounting policies and then applied them consistently;
- made judgments and estimates that were reasonable and prudent; and
- complied with the Code.

The Chief Finance Officer has also:

- kept proper accounting records which are up to date; and
- taken reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

#### **Certificate of Accounts**

I certify that this Statement of Accounts presents a true and fair view of the financial position of the Pension Fund at 31 March 2019 and of its income and expenditure for the year 2018-19, and authorise the accounts for issue.

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Chief Finance Officer (Section 151 Officer)

Dated:

# **Scheme Management, Advisors and Partners**

**Partners** 

AbelNoser	ACCESS Effective - Collective - Investment	BARCLAYS	EY
Abel Noser (Analytics)	ACCESS (Pension Pool)	<u>Barclays (Bank)</u>	Ernst & Young (Auditors)
HYMANS <b>‡</b> ROBERTSON	LGSS Law Ltd.	MERCER MAKE TOMORROW, TODAY	NORTHERN TRUST
Hymans Robertson (Actuary)	LGSS Law (Legal Advisors)	Mercer (Investment Consultants)	<u>Northern Trust (Custodian)</u>

## **Asset Managers**

ADAMS STREET	Allianz 🕕	AMPCAPITAL	Dodge & Cox®
Adams Street Partners	Allianz Global Investors	AMP Capital	Dodge & Cox Funds
equitix	HARBOURVEST	J O Hambro Capital Management Group	LINK Asset Services
Equitix Ltd	HarbourVest Partners (UK)	JO Hambro Capital Management	Link Fund Solutions (ACCESS)
INVESTMENTS	Partners Group Realizing Potential in private markets	Schroders	
M&G Investments	Partners Group	<u>Schroders</u>	UBS Asset Management

## **AVC Providers**



## **Scheme Management & Key Officers**

The Key Officers of the Fund during the year were:

Mark Whitby – Head of Pensions Paul Tysoe – Investment and Fund Accounting Manager Akhtar Pepper (until Feb 19) – Operations Manager Richard Sultana (from Feb 19) – Operations Manager Cory Blose – Employer and Systems Team Manager Joanne Walton – Governance and Regulations Manager Ben Barlow – Pension Services Financial Manager Tracy Pegram – Pension Services Financial Manager Richard Perry – Pension Services Financial Manager

### be obtained from:

#### Paul Tysoe

Investment and Fund Accounting Manager, LGSS Email: <a href="mailto:phtysoe@northamptonshire.gov.uk">phtysoe@northamptonshire.gov.uk</a> Telephone: 01604 368671

Enquiries relating to management and administration should be directed to:

Mark Whitby Head of Pensions, LGSS Email: <u>mwhitby@northamptonshire.gov.uk</u> Telephone: 01604 368502

**Registered Pension Scheme Number: 10038487** 



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## **Scheme Administration**

#### Introduction

Cambridgeshire County Council is responsible for administering the Cambridgeshire Pension Fund, which is available to employees of the County Council, organisations with a statutory right to be in the scheme (scheduled bodies) and organisations, such as charities, which the County Council has admitted under its discretionary powers (admitted bodies).

The Fund is a qualifying scheme under the automatic enrolment regulations and can be used by employers to automatically enrol eligible employees, and every three years re-enrol anyone who opts out of the scheme.

#### Membership

Membership of the Fund grew by 2.5% from the previous year.

On 31 March 2019 there were 28,976 active, 35,158 deferred and 18,775 pensioner members in the Fund. The deferred figure is inclusive of 7,499 open cases that may change status (undecided leavers).



#### Pension Fund Administration

LGSS, a partnership between Cambridgeshire County Council, Northamptonshire County Council and Milton Keynes Council, provides pension administration services to the Cambridgeshire Pension Fund.

There are 60 staff members (55.32 full time equivalent) within the LGSS Pensions Team, providing all aspects of service to both the Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire Funds, with an average staff to pension member ratio of 1:2,725.

Internal audit perform risk based audit procedures to assess the effectiveness and efficiency of administration services, and the LGSS Team have been awarded the national standard for excellence in customer service (CSE) since 2016.

The requirements of the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) are recognised and feature in the design of the Fund's administration processes. The Fund has in place a GDPR compliant privacy notice, conducts privacy impact assessments for all new activities involving personal data and has in place a Register of Processing Activities and Information Asset Register.

#### **Scheme Administration Tools**

The LGSS Pensions website contains detailed information for all the Fund's stakeholders and has dedicated pages for both members and employers. There is a comprehensive suite of forms and factsheets for members, prospective members and employers.

Support for members and employers can be accessed via the website or by contacting the LGSS Helpline on 01604 366537.

<u>Member Self Service</u> is an online platform which allows members to securely access their records, amend their personal information, perform benefit projections and view their annual benefits statement.

<u>Employer Self Service</u> is available to all employers in the scheme and gives access to the pension database remotely and securely, allowing them to view, create and amend their employees' data, run reports and perform benefit calculations.

i-Connect is a system used which allows employers to securely upload monthly payroll data into the pension database, improving efficiency and accuracy of data and ensuring timely record maintenance.

# **Scheme Administration (continued)**

#### Scheme Framework

The Local Government Pension Scheme is a statutory funded pension scheme. The operation of the Cambridgeshire County Council Pension Fund is principally governed by the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 2013 (as amended) and the Local Government Pension Scheme (Transitional Provisions, Savings and Amendment) Regulations 2014 (as amended) which have been made within the context of the primary legislation of the Public Service Pensions Act 2013.

The Scheme covers eligible employees of the County Council, the Police Authority, Police and Crime Commissioner, Unitary, District and Borough Councils and Academies within the county area other than teaching staff, police officers and fire-fighters for whom separate statutory arrangements exist. A number of other bodies are also members of the scheme.

Employers' contribution rates are set by the Fund's Actuary every three years following the valuation of the Fund, in order to maintain the solvency of the Fund. The last valuation took place as at 31 March 2016. The results of the valuation were a funding level of 78% and an average primary employer contribution rate of 18.1%. The primary rate includes an allowance of 0.6% of the pensionable pay for the Fund's expenses. The average employee contribution rate is 6.3% of pensionable pay. At the previous formal valuation at 31 March 2013 a different regulatory regime was in force and therefore no meaningful comparative rate is available.

On 1 April 2014, the new Local Government Pension Scheme 2014 came into effect, allowing more flexibility around paying into the scheme and drawing benefits. Normal pension age is linked to the state pension age but benefits can be drawn earlier or later, between age 55 and 75. The normal retirement age is the age a member can access their pension in full; if it is accessed before that date benefits will usually be reduced and if accessed after normal retirement age benefits may increase. All service built up to 31 March 2014 in

the LGPS is fully protected and will continue to be based on a member's final year annual pay when the individual leaves the LGPS.

Benefits built up before April 2014 also retain their protected Normal Pension Age, which for most members is 65, although certain members have a retirement age of 60 for all or part of their membership. There is an additional protection known as the 'underpin' for members who were active on 31 March 2012 and were within ten years of their Protected Normal Pension Age on 1 April 2012. These members will get a pension at least equal to the pension they would have received in the LGPS had it not changed on 1 April 2014, subject to meeting certain criteria.

# **Scheme Administration (continued)**

The below table compares the 2008 and the 2014 schemes.

	LGPS 2008	LGPS 2014
Basis of Pension	Final Salary	Career Average Revaluated Earnings (CARE)
Accrual Rate	1/60 <sup>th</sup>	1/49 <sup>th</sup>
Revaluation Rate	Based on Final Salary	Consumer Prices Index (CPI)
Pensionable Pay	Pay excluding non contractual overtime and non pensionable additional hours	Pay including non-contractual overtime and additional hours
Employee Contribution Rates	Between 5.5% and 7.5%	Between 5.5% and 12.5%
Contribution Flexibility	No	Option to pay 50% contributions for 50% of pension benefit
Normal Pension Age	65	Equal to individuals state pension age
Lump Sum Trade Off	Trade £1 of pension for £12 lump sum	Trade £1 of pension for £12 lump sum
Death in Service Lump Sum	3 x Pensionable Pay	3 x Pensionable Pay
Death in Service Survivor Benefits	1/160 <sup>th</sup> accrual based on Tier 1 ill health pension enhancement	1/160 <sup>th</sup> accrual based on Tier 1 ill health pension enhancement
Ill Health Provision	Tier 1 – Immediate payment with service enhanced to Normal Pension Age (65)	Tier 1 – Immediate payment with service enhanced to Normal Pension Age
	Tier 2 – Immediate payment with 25% service enhancement to Normal Pension Age (65)	Tier 2 – Immediate payment with 25% service enhancement to Normal Pension Age
	Tier 3 – Temporary payment of pension for up to 3 years	Tier 3 – Temporary payment of pension for up to 3 years
Indexation of Pension in Payment	CPI (RPI for pre-2011 increases)	CPI
Vesting Period	3 months	2 years

# **Scheme Administration (continued)**

#### Pension Committee and Board membership.

The following table shows the attendance of Committee and Board members at applicable Pension Fund Committee, Investment Sub-Committee and Local Pension Board meetings during 2018-19, training undertaken in year, including; Training days, Conferences and Strategic Workshops.

Councillor/Member Name	Committee/Board		Training Undertaken	
		Attended		
ouncillor Terry Rogers - Chairman	Pensions Committee	5/5	8 sessions	
	Investment Sub-Committee	7/7		
ouncillor Roger Hickford – vice Chairman (until February 2019)	Pensions Committee	3/4	3 sessions	
	Investment Sub-Committee	3/6		
uncillor Ian Gardener – vice Chairman (from February 2019)	Pensions Committee	1/1		
	Investment Sub-Committee	1/1		
ouncillor Anne Hay	Pensions Committee	4/5	4 sessions	
	Investment Sub-Committee	3/7		
uncillor Mike Shellens	Pensions Committee	5/5	7 sessions	
	Investment Sub-Committee	7/7		
hn Walker	Pensions Committee	5/5	11 sessions	
	Investment Sub-Committee	7/7		
ouncillor Peter Downes	Pensions Committee	4/5	3 sessions	
ouncillor Joshua Schumann	Pensions Committee	3/5	2 sessions	
ouncillor Richard Robertson (from July 2018 – previous vacancy	Pensions Committee	3/3	2 sessions	
rried over from 2017/18)				
ouncillor David Seaton	Pensions Committee	1/5	1 session	
atthew Pink	Pensions Committee	2/5	2 sessions	
z Brennan – substitute	Pensions Committee	2/5		
acy Roden (until June 2018)	Pensions Committee	1/1	1 session	
e Phanco (from November 2018)	Pensions Committee	1/2	1 session	
ouncillor Simon King - Chairman	Local Pension Board	4/4	5 sessions	
ouncillor Elisa Meschini	Local Pension Board	4/4	1 sessions	
ouncillor Denis Payne	Local Pension Board	4/4	6 sessions	
nrry O'Sullivan	Local Pension Board	4/4	6 sessions	
hn Stokes	Local Pension Board	4/4	5 sessions	
avid Brooks – vice Chairman	Local Pension Board	4/4	3 sessions	
# **Scheme Administration (continued)**

#### **Policies and Strategy Statements**

Information about the Fund's policies and procedures can be found on the Fund's website: <a href="https://pensions.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/governance/key-documents/cambridgeshire/">https://pensions.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/governance/key-documents/cambridgeshire/</a>

#### The following policies were in place during the financial year

Administering Authority Discretions Administration Strategy Admitted Bodies Scheme Employers and Bulk Transfers Policy Annual Business Plan & Medium Term Strategy 2018-19 Anti-Fraud and Corruption Policy Funding Strategy Cash Management Strategy Communications Strategy Governance Policy and Compliance Statement Investment Strategy Statement Overpayment of Pension Policy Payment of Pension Contributions Policy Reporting Breaches of the Law to the Pensions Regulator Policy Risk Register Risk Strategy

#### Statement/Policy Changes in 2018-19

The Data Improvement Plan has been introduced during 2018-19:

- To demonstrate that the Fund was aware of its areas where data quality required improvement,
- To provide assurance to the Pensions Regulator and the Fund's stakeholders that the Fund was committed to an ongoing approach to ensure appropriate processes are in place to consistently hold accurate data within a set timescale.

**The Risk Register** has been reviewed during 2018-19 year resulting in the following changes:

- Consolidation of risks from 54 to 25 more concise and high level with the detail encompassed in the controls to allow for easier monitoring,
- Not split into service areas as previous version (Governance, Funding and Investments and Administration and Communication); each risk has a responsible lead to demonstrate accountability,
- Risks are ordered by priority to allow for increased focus and easier monitoring,
- Revised criteria for assessing the impact and likelihood of a risk occurring, increasing detail to make a more accurate assessment, and
- A summary sheet has been designed to allow for an overview of the risks which shows priority, risk rating with RAG status, responsible lead and associated objectives.

The Overpayment of Pension Policy has been reviewed during 2018-19 resulting in the following changes:

- The Fund will generally seek to recover overpayments that are greater than £250.00 (gross) in value. Previously the value was £100.00 (gross),
- New section to cover where overpayments have occurred due to errors associated with the application of GMP.

Investments and Fund Accounting Policies has been reviewed during 2018-19 resulting in the following changes:

- Cash Management Strategy has been updated and developed in line with current requirements,
- Investment Strategy Statement has been updated to reflect the change to the strategic asset allocation.

### The Team

LGSS Pensions is based in Northampton and consists of the following teams:

• **Operations** – maintain member records, calculate benefits and pensions payable.

#### Contact: Pensions@northamptonshire.gov.uk

- Employers contact point for employers of the scheme and those wanting to join. Deliver training sessions to employers and payroll providers covering the systems available to assist them in efficiently participating in the Fund. Contact: <u>PenEmployers@northamptonshire.gov.uk</u>
- Systems ensure internal systems are operating efficiently and provide support to maintaining accurate member records.
  Contact: Pensions@northamptonshire.gov.uk
- Investments oversee the governance of Fund assets and support the Investment Sub-Committee.
  Contact: LGSS-Pen-Investments@northamptonshire.gov.uk
- Governance support all Committees in governing the Fund effectively, develop and monitor policies and practices to improve data quality and ensure regulatory compliance.

Contact: Pensions@northamptonshire.gov.uk

- Transactions record and reconcile contributions paid into the Fund and accounts for fund expenses.
  Contact: PenContributions@northamptonshire.gov.uk
- Corporate provide financial monitoring and reporting of functions such as debt management and cash requirements.
  Contact: <u>PenAccounting@northamptonshire.gov.uk</u>

### Complaints

Should you have a complaint about the service, we will do our best to put things right. To access support, please contact

Pensions@northamptonshire.gov.uk, telephone 01604 366537, or write to:

LGSS Pensions – Governance Team One Angel Square, Angel Street Northampton NN1 1ED

### Appeals

The LGPS regulations provide Internal Dispute Resolution Procedures (IDRP), details of which can be accessed via the LGSS <u>website</u>.

Stage 1 disputes are heard by the Employer, if the complaint concerns an Employer decision or Head of Pensions if an administering authority decision. At Stage 2, the complaint is considered by Cambridgeshire County Council's Monitoring Officer, and if the complainant is still unhappy with the decision they may refer the case to The Pensions Ombudsman. At any stage a scheme member has the right to direct their complaint to The Pensions Ombudsman. More information can be found at <u>www.pensions-ombudsman.org.uk</u>.

The following formal disputes have arisen and/or been resolved during the year:

### Stage 1:

5 disputes arising in 2018-19 were resolved during the year. 1 dispute arising in 2018-19 remained outstanding at the end of the year.

### Stage 2:

2 disputes from 2017-2018 were resolved during the year.2 disputes arising in 2018-19 were resolved during the year.3 disputes arising in 2018-19 remained outstanding at the end of the year.

1 dispute arising in 2018-19 was referred to The Pensions Ombudsman and was resolved during the year.

2 disputes arising in 2018-19 were referred to The Pensions Ombudsman during the year and remained outstanding at 31 March 2019.

### **Management and Financial Performance**

### **Managing Decision Making**

Cambridgeshire County Council has established a Pension Fund Committee (PFC) and Investment Sub-Committee (ISC) having strategic and operational investment decision making powers, respectively.

Membership of both bodies consist of elected members, and nonelected employer and scheme member representatives. All members of the ISC sit on the PFC.

The PFC's business covers all Fund matters with the exception of nonstrategic investment issues, which are delegated to the ISC. Officers across the operations, investment, transactions, corporate and governance functions support the PFC and ISC as required. All meetings of the PFC and ISC are duly minuted.

PFC members and ISC members are required to attain a desired level of skills and knowledge, to ensure decisions being made on behalf of Cambridgeshire County Council Pension Fund are made with full understanding of the impact and therefore mitigating the risk of unfounded decisions.

The Committee members must at all times be conscious of their accountability to stakeholders. The PFC is responsible for determining the nature and extent of any significant risks taken on by the Administering Authority in the pursuit of its strategic objectives. Risk management should be dynamic and comprehensive, considering operational, reputational and environmental, social and governance (ESG) risks in addition to financial risks.

The Cambridgeshire Full Council has acknowledged the establishment of the ACCESS Joint Committee (AJC) delegating powers to this body in response to the Government's pooling agenda. The Chairman and Vice Chairman of the PFC represent the Fund on the AJC, supported by Fund officers working in the ACCESS Officers Working Group (OWG).

The Local Pension Board (LPB) was established on 1 April 2015, providing an additional layer of governance for the Fund. The LPB is nondecision making but has the responsibility of assisting the Administering Authority to:

- secure compliance with the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) regulations and other legislation relating to the governance and administration of the LGPS and also the requirements imposed by the Pensions Regulator in relation to the LGPS; and
- ensure the effective and efficient governance and administration of the LGPS.

The LPB has provided a separate annual report of its activities to Council for this financial year.

#### **Risk Management**

Cambridgeshire County Council, the Administering Authority to the Cambridgeshire Pension Fund, has both a risk strategy and a risk register in place to identify, evaluate, mitigate and monitor risks associated with the activities that the Fund carries out. Risk is managed through regular reporting to both the Pension Fund Committee and Local Pension Board. This ensures that risks are integrated within the governance structure of Cambridgeshire County Council and all follow a consistent approach.

Identified risks are recorded in the Risk Register, a copy of which can be found at:

### https://pensions.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/app/uploads/2019 /04/Cambridgeshire-Risk-Register.pdf

The aim of the Risk Register is to ensure that an informed decision can be made on whether a risk can, or should be accepted. Risk appetite is informed by an understanding of any existing controls and will also be influenced by the expected reward or outcome. The Cambridgeshire Pension Fund uses a matrix criteria for assessing the impact and likelihood of a risk to enable effective decision making.

Risks recorded in the Risk Register are managed in line with the Pension Fund objectives to ensure relevance and are reviewed by the Pension Fund Committee twice a year and the Local Pension Board quarterly. New risks are therefore identified promptly and current risks are monitored on a regular basis, with risk ratings revised where necessary. The accompanying Risk Strategy is reviewed on an annual basis to ensure it remains relevant to support the Risk Register.

The objective of an internal audit is to educate management and employees about how they can improve business operations and efficiencies while giving reliability and credibility to the financial reports that go to shareholders. Internal audit awarded the Fund substantial assurance following its testing within the year.

Third party risks are managed through the Risk Register and associated policies, such as the Payment of Pension Contributions Policy. Mitigations are put in place to minimise third party risks and, in particular, the risks associated with Scheme Employers and effective covenant monitoring.

#### Investment Risk

The Fund's Investment Strategy Statement, which is reviewed annually, sets out the Fund's investment strategy which incorporates evaluation of key investment risks. In addition the Statement of Accounts section of this document, provides further information about Investment risks and how they apply to the Investment Assets held by the Fund.

There are many risks inherent in investments. The Fund addresses these in the following ways:

Market Risk – investments will reduce in value due to fluctuations markets across the world and in in prices, interest rates, exchange rates and credit spreads.

**Price Risk** – investments may be incorrectly valued due to price fluctuations or estimates used in pricing.

The Fund invests in different different types of investment to reduce the risk of the portfolio reducing in value due to adverse market conditions and to smooth returns.

Investments are valued at published prices, where available. Investments that are not sold on a market are valued by specialist Investment Managers. Notes 16, 17 and 18 in the Statement of Accounts gives information about how investments are valued and gives an indication of the value of investments subject to an element of estimation.

At year end all Investment Managers are required to provide ISAE 3402 Service Organisation Control Report which are made available to external audit. This includes Link Fund Solutions who are the Operator of the ACCESS pool.

### **Financial Performance**

The financial performance of the Fund is monitored against budgeted performance on a regular basis throughout the year by the Pension Fund Committee.

Performance Indicators	2018-19 Forecast £000	2018-19 Actual £000
Contributions	127,000	124,572
Transfers in from other funds	5,150	4,882
Total Income	132,150	129,454
Benefits payable	(102,000)	(106,259)
Payments to and for leavers	(7,464)	(11,171)
Total Benefits	(109,464)	(117,430)
Surplus of contributions over benefits	22,686	12,024
Management Expenses		
Administrative costs	(2,507)	(2,018)
Investment Management expenses	(5,330)	(14,544)
Oversight and Governance costs	(479)	(327)
Total Management Expenses	(8,316)	(16,889)
Total Income less Expenses	14,370	(4,865)
Investment Income	27,235	45,493
Taxes on Income	(75)	(85)
Profit/(loss) on disposal and changes in market value of investments	236,773	182,745
Net return on investments	263,933	228,153
Net increase/(decrease) in assets during the year	278,303	223,288

Management expenses per active member are shown below:

	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Active members	26,785	27,497	28,976
Administrative cost	£82.81	£82.81	£69.64
Investment Management expenses	£467.65	£527.40	£501.93
Oversight and Governance costs	£15.64	£6.36	£11.29

#### Variance Analysis

- Contribution differences reflects employers paying multiple year deficit payments in earlier years.
- Investment Management expenses forecast is understated as this does not include pooled fees deducted from market value.
- Oversight and Governance costs include forecast expenditure on a one-off project for which there was no actual expenditure.
- Differences between actual and forecast Investment Income reflect strong equity returns over the financial year.
- The 2018-19 Forecast for profit/loss on disposal and changes in market value of investments assumed the actuarial target would be achieved. The actual market experience is explained in the investments consultant's review on page 37.
- Details of non-investment assets and liabilities of the Fund can be found in the Statement of Accounts in Notes 21 to 23.

### **Performance Indicators**

The Fund has developed a number of Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) to monitor service delivery, these KPIs are reviewed internally on a monthly basis to monitor and inform where delivery is met or remedial action is required. The Pension Fund Committee receives quarterly performance updates within a Business Plan update.

The below table shows the number and trend of the top 7 types of scheme administration cases demonstrating both workload and efficiency in meeting internal KPI and external legal requirements.

	Cases completed in the year	Cases completed within KPI target
Deaths – initial letter acknowledging death of member	528	528
KPI: 5 working days, Legal requirement: 2 months	528	520
Deaths – letter notifying amount of dependant's pension	289	289
KPI: 5 working days, Legal requirement: 2 months	269	209
Estimates – letter notifying estimate of retirement benefits to employee	1,057	1,046
KPI: 10 working days, Legal requirement: 2 months	1,037	1,040
Retirements – process and pay pension benefits on time	475	470
KPI: 5 working days, Legal requirement: 2 months	475	470
Deferment – calculate and notify deferred benefits	1,800	1,800
KPI: 15 working days, Legal requirement: N/A	1,000	1,800
Transfers in – Letter detailing transfer in	153	150
KPI: 10 working days, Legal requirement: 2 months	153	150
Transfers out – letter detailing transfer out	85	85
KPI: 10 working days, Legal requirement: 3 months	60	60

#### Contributions

The Fund works closely with employers to collect contributions on time. The following table shows the amount of regular employee and employer contributions paid during the year and the value and percentage of which were paid both on time and after the deadline of the 19th day of the month following deduction.

Contributions	Total Paid in 2018-19 £	Total Paid On Time £	% Paid On Time	Total Paid Late £	% Paid Late
Employer	98,146	96,374	98.19	1,772	1.81
Employee	26,426	25,799	97.63	627	2.37
Total	124,572	122,173	98.07	2,399	1.93

The Fund did not apply any additional charges or levies in respect of contributions received late, and no reports were made to The Pensions Regulator in respect of late contributions during the year.

#### **Recovery of Overpayments of Pension**

The following tables show the analysis of pension overpayments that occurred during the last five years:

Year	Overpayment	Recovered/in progress	Written Off
2014-15	£87,357	£17,705	£29,883
2015-16	£88,375	£7,640	£11,913
2016-17	£81,468	£29,552	£26,072
2017-18	£68,606	£34,448	£18,498
2018-19 <sup>1</sup>	£344,153	£282,908	£61,245

<sup>1</sup>Overpayments in 2018-19 appear particularly high, as in addition to usual activity, the Fund undertook a significant reconciliation project during the year in which a number of overpayments were identified.

Overpayments identified in 2018-19 with a value of under £250 are automatically written off, in line with the Fund's Overpayments Policy.

The Fund participates in the National Fraud Initiative which is a biennial process undertaken in conjunction with the Audit Commission. The necessary recoveries arising from identified overpayments are being pursued.

Annual Pensioner Payroll <sup>2</sup>	£87,729,138
Total write off amount	£61,245
Write off amount as % of payroll	0.07%

<sup>2</sup>Excludes additional pension awarded by the employer.

#### **Contributors to the Fund**

Active Employers as at 31 March 2019

Type Of Body	Number of Active Employers
Administering (AA)	1
Scheduled (S)*	110
Admitted (Ad)	143
Total	254

The table, left, shows employers in the fund as at the 31 March 2019, the breakdown of contributions by employer shown below will have different numbers of employers, as employers joined and left the fund throughout the year, an active or ceased column has been added to show this movement. Where contributions exist for ceased employers, this will be where prior year adjustments have been made within 2018-19, or contribution receipts recorded within the period.

**Grand Total** 

9,681

8,232

2,236

20,623

170,743

12,480

3,185

63,954

149,638

34,317

66,906

133,470

Ceased Body

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\*LEA schools are included within Scheduled Bodies, and in table below are shown in Body column as S\*

Employer	Employee Contributions	Employers Contributions	Grand Total	Ceased Body	Employer	Employee Contributions	Employers Contributions	
<b>E</b>	En Cont	Cont	Gra	0	E	En Cont	Em Cont	
Abbey College Academy	63,368	268,439	331,807	S	ABM Catering Ltd (Great			
Abbey Meadows Academy	11,976	41,882	53,858	S	Paxton, Newton Community, Offord and Samuel Pepys	2,000	7,681	
Abbey Meadows Primary	28,410	106,827	135,237	S	Primary School's)			
School Abbots Ripton School (CCC)	4,475	17,665	22,140	S*	ABM Catering Ltd (Morley Memorial)	1,687	6,545	
Abbotsmeade Primary	18,769	91,263	110,032	s	Action for Children	2,236	0	
Academy	18,705	91,203	110,032	5	Action for Children (London	644	19,979	
ABM Catering - Orchard Park Community School	489	1,956	2,445	Ad	Road)			
ABM Catering (Abbots Ripton					Active Learning Trust HQ	50,883	119,860	
CE Primary)	627	2,509	3,136	Ad	ADEC	1,690	10,790	
ABM Catering Limited	1,354	4,903	6,257	Ad	Advance Cleaning Services	645	2,540	
Alderman Jacobs) ABM Catering Limited	_,	.,			Alconbury C Of E Primary (CCC)	13,062	50,892	
(Bushmead Primary and	950	3,664	4,614	Ad	Alderman Jacobs School	26,881	122,757	
Elsworth Primary)					Academy	20,001	122,757	
ABM Catering Limited (Wyton on the Hill Primary	875	3,849	4,724	Ad	Alderman Payne Primary (CCC)	6,904	27,413	
School)					All Saints Inter Church VA Primary School (Academy)	13,055	53,851	

All Saints Junior School (PCC)

25,821

107,649

Employer	Employee Contributions	Employers Contributions	Grand Total	Ceased	Body
Alliance in Partnership Limited	354	1,488	1,842		Ad
Alliance in Partnership Ltd	918	3,671	4,589		Ad
Arbury Primary School (CCC)	20,027	77,116	97,143		S*
Ashbeach Primary School (CCC)	11,574	45,883	57,457		S*
Aspens (Hemingford Grey)	649	2,595	3,244		Ad
Aspens Service Ltd (Weatheralls Primary School)	963	3,990	4,953		Ad
Aspens Services Ltd (Brampton Village Primary School)	668	2,566	3,234		Ad
Aspens Services Ltd (Staploe Contract)	3,667	16,275	19,942		Ad
Aspens Services Ltd (Swavesey)	1,026	3,903	4,929		Ad
Aspens Services Ltd (Willingham Primary)	1,262	4,921	6,183		Ad
Authur Mellows Village College Academy	74,040	255,940	329,980		S
Babraham CE (C) Primary School	4,143	16,483	20,626		S
Balfour Beatty	2,532	16,314	18,846		Ad
Balsham Parish Council	672	4,290	4,962		S
Bar Hill Community Primary School	19,536	79,088	98,624		S
Bar Hill Parish Council	1,062	6,778	7,840		S
Barnabas Oley CE Primary (CCC)	6,398	25,412	31,810		S*
Barnack Primary School (PCC)	10,710	46,618	57,328		S*
Barrington CE Primary (CCC)	7,294	28,996	36,290		S*

Employer	Employee Contributions	Employers Contributions	Grand Total	Ceased	Body
Barton Primary School (CCC)	7,090	27,657	34,747		S*
Bassingbourn Primary (CCC)	14,514	57,573	72,087		S*
Bassingbourn Village College Academy	21,799	77,926	99,725		S
Beaupre C P School (CCC)	13,326	51,219	64,545		S*
Bellbird School (CCC)	17,084	67,419	84,503		S*
Benwick Primary School (CCC)	7,680	30,631	38,311		S*
Bewick Bridge C P School (CCC)	14,841	56,344	71,185		S*
Bishop Creighton Academy	15,226	56,471	71,697		S
Bottisham Community Primary Academy	11,791	48,204	59,995		S
Bottisham Village Academy	75,477	225,458	300,935		S
Bourn Primary School Academy	12,513	40,548	53,061		S
Brampton Village School (CCC)	25,176	99,457	124,633		S*
Braybrook Primary School	10,943	45,237	56,180		S
Braybrook Primary School Academy	4,421	17,792	22,213		S
Bretton Parish Council	2,333	12,600	14,933		S
Brewster Avenue School (PCC)	15,633	65,747	81,380		S*
Brington Primary School (CCC)	3,647	14,404	18,051		S*
Brunswick Nursery School (CCC)	11,535	44,078	55,613		S*
Buckden CE School Academy	17,738	63,708	81,446		S
Burnt Fen IDB	3,086	16,795	19,881		S

Employer	Employee Contributions	Employers Contributions	Grand Total	Ceased	Body
Burrough Green Primary (CCC)	4,581	18,226	22,807		S*
Burrowmoor Primary Academy	31,722	119,375	151,097		S
Burwell Parish Council	1,590	8,587	10,177		S
Burwell V C Primary (CCC)	20,467	79,628	100,095		S*
Bury CE School	6,977	28,023	35,000		S
Bushmead Primary (CCC)	23,166	90,426	113,592		S*
C4Clean Limited (The Newton Community Primary School and Homerton Early Years Centre)	408	1,649	2,057		Ad
Caldecot Parish Council	324	2,066	2,390		S
Caldecote Primary School (CCC)	9,274	35,861	45,135		S*
Cambourne Parish Council	18,285	100,241	118,526		S
Cambourne Village College Academy	49,962	141,420	191,382		s
Cambridge & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust	15,918	76,423	92,341		Ad
Cambridge AP Academy	3,013	11,920	14,933		S
Cambridge Live	36,092	120,014	156,106		Ad
Cambridge Meridian Academy	70,438	215,991	286,429		S
Cambridge Rape Crisis Centre	1,784	6,182	7,966		Ad
Cambridge Regional College	483,203	2,107,011	2,590,214		S
Cambridgeshire County Council	6,014,682	21,011,524	27,026,206		AA
Cambs & Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Group	10,694	34,866	45,560		Ad

Employer	Employee Contributions	Employers Contributions	Grand Total	Ceased	Body
Cambs Chief Constable	1,643,190	5,839,828	7,483,018		S
Cambs Council On Alcohol	964	33,772	34,736	Y	Ad
Cambs Fire Authority	350,634	1,349,922	1,700,556		S
Cambs Society M H Children	750	5,658	6,408		Ad
Carers Trust	3,675	13,283	16,958		Ad
Castle Camps Primary (CCC)	4,304	17,024	21,328		S*
Castle School (CCC)	66,578	253,560	320,138		S*
Castor CE (C) Primary School	7,798	33,116	40,914		S
Cater Link Ltd	5,791	22,097	27,888		Ad
Caterlink (Diamond Learning Partnership)	4,077	17,048	21,125		Ad
Caterlink UK Ltd (Ernulf Academy)	3,499	21,707	25,206		Ad
Caterlink UK Ltd (Witchford VC Academy)	2,985	9,179	12,164		Ad
Cavalry Primary Academy	36,985	152,222	189,207		S
Caverstede Nursery School	20,977	87,178	108,155		S
Chartwells (Netherhall School)	1,205	4,776	5,981		Ad
Chatteris Town Council	2,341	13,400	15,741		S
Cherry Hinton Primary (CCC)	17,624	69,076	86,700		S*
Chesterton Community College Academy	80,220	219,067	299,287		S
Chesterton Primary Academy	7,651	22,948	30,599		S
Cheveley Primary School (CCC)	5,469	21,874	27,343		S*
Churchill Contract Services	14,301	25,730	40,031		Ad
City Of Cambridge	1,508,239	3,883,788	5,392,027		S

Employer	Employee Contributions	Employers Contributions	Grand Total	Ceased	Body
City Of Ely Council	21,957	124,492	146,449		S
City of Peterborough Academy	32,626	122,472	155,098		S
City of Peterborough Special School (Academy)	32,992	94,054	127,046		S
Clarkson Infants School (CCC)	21,433	82,710	104,143		S*
Clean Slate Ltd (Histon Early Years Centre)	435	1,738	2,173		Ad
Coates Primary School (CCC)	12,310	47,616	59,926		S*
Colleges Nursery School (CCC)	12,581	48,615	61,196		S*
Colville Primary	18,605	71,975	90,580		S
Comberton Academy Trust HQ	25,078	68,599	93,677		S
Comberton Village College Academy	126,616	437,675	564,291		S
Compass Contract Services	3,720	14,452	18,172		Ad
Conservators R Cam	6,479	37,509	43,988		Ad
Coram Cambridge Adoption Ltd	16,410	55,338	71,748		Ad
Coton Primary School (CCC)	7,918	21,188	29,106		S*
Cottenham Primary School (CCC)	28,296	110,578	138,874		S*
Cottenham Village College Academy	57,410	206,931	264,341		S
Cromwell Community College (Academy)	55,612	215,070	270,682		S
Cromwell Primary Academy	8,526	38,773	47,299		S
Cross Keys Housing Association	5,141	271,532	276,673		Ad
Crosshall Infants	36,741	127,474	164,215		S

Employer	Employee Contributions	Employers Contributions	Grand Total	Ceased	Body
Crosshall Junior	31,034	108,641	139,675		S
Cucina Ltd	1,158	4,547	5,705		Ad
Diocese of Ely Multi Academy Trust (DEMAT) HQ Staff	2,588	9,234	11,822		S
Discovery Primary Academy	36,872	154,522	191,394		S
Discovery Primary School (PCC)	3,352	13,995	17,347	Y	S*
Ditton Lodge Academy	13,317	52,576	65,893		S
Dogsthorpe Academy	23,834	98,352	122,186		S
Downham Feoffes Academy	8,347	35,057	43,404		S
Dry Drayton Primary (CCC)	3,606	14,139	17,745		S*
Duke Of Bedford School (PCC)	14,944	64,187	79,131		S*
Duxford Primary School (CCC)	13,898	53,290	67,188		S*
EELGA	56,283	224,600	280,883		Ad
Earith Primary Academy	6,738	27,757	34,495		S
East Cambs District	299,500	1,219,642	1,519,142		S
Eastfield Infant And Nursery (CCC)	17,303	69,296	86,599		S*
Easy Clean (Godmanchester Primary)	748	2,855	3,603		Ad
Easy Clean (Little Paxton)	270	1,080	1,350		Ad
Easy Clean (Upwood Primary School)	278	1,162	1,440		Ad
EasyClean (Kings Hedges)	305	1,218	1,523		Ad
Ecocleen (Ely St Johns School & Monkfield Park)	475	2,377	2,852		Ad
ECOVERT	2,983	14,336	17,319		Ad
Edwards & Blake Ltd (Coates)	404	1,617	2,021		Ad

Employer	Employee Contributions	Employers Contributions	Grand Total	Ceased	Body
Edwards & Blake Ltd (Spring Common Academy)	659	2,845	3,504		Ad
Edwards and Blake (Cottenham)	1,107	4,473	5,580		Ad
Edwards and Blake (Godmanchester Community Education Trust)	1,203	4,748	5,951		Ad
Edwards and Blake (Little Paxton Primary)	2,207	7,975	10,182		Ad
Edwards and Blake (Stukeley Meadows)	856	3,444	4,300		Ad
Edwards and Blake Ltd (Bassingbourn Primary)	624	2,489	3,113		Ad
Elior UK	880	174	1,054		Ad
Elm CE (C) Primary School	18,199	68,358	86,557		S
Elm Road Primary School (Academy)	13,738	55,765	69,503		Ad
Elsworth Primary School (CCC)	6,398	25,335	31,733		S*
Elton Church School (CCC)	5,594	21,958	27,552		S*
Ely College	60,409	216,976	277,385		S
Ely St John Primary (CCC)	17,148	66,153	83,301		S*
Enterprise Management Services Limited	152,197	3,094	155,291		Ad
Ermine Street Church Academy	6,665	27,066	33,731		S
Ernulf Academy	45,713	174,795	220,508		S
Everyone Active	647	2,070	2,717		Ad
Everyone Health Limited	725	2,573	3,298		Ad
Eye C Of E Primary School (PCC)	27,722	111,266	138,988		S*

Employer	Employee Contributions	Employers Contributions	Grand Total	Ceased	Body
Eye Parish Council	548	3,332	3,880		S
Eynesbury Ce School (CCC)	12,385	49,916	62,301		S*
Eyrescroft Primary School (Academy)	27,508	107,770	135,278		S
Family Psychology Mutual	19,364	86,943	106,307		Ad
Farcet CE Primary Academy	9,961	39,205	49,166		S
Farcet Parish Council	733	4,680	5,413		S
Fawcett Primary School (CCC)	30,381	120,437	150,818		S*
Feldale IDB	107	579	686		S
Fen Ditton Primary Academy	7,547	30,466	38,013		S
Fen Drayton Primary (CCC)	6,154	24,167	30,321		S*
Fenland District	609,965	3,285,741	3,895,706		S
Fenstanton Primary School (CCC)	11,599	45,054	56,653		S*
Fields Early Yrs Centre (CCC)	21,873	83,141	105,014		S*
Folksworth CE (C) Primary School	3,873	15,493	19,366		S
Fordham Primary School (CCC)	8,906	35,481	44,387		S*
Fourfields Primary School (CCC)	27,882	110,162	138,044		S*
Fowlmere Primary School (CCC)	4,757	19,027	23,784		S*
Foxton Primary School (CCC)	7,505	29,731	37,236		S*
Fridaybridge Primary (CCC)	8,220	31,735	39,955		S*
Friends Therapeutic Community	71,407	358,953	430,360		Ad
Fulbourn Primary School (CCC)	16,895	66,042	82,937		S*

Employer	Employee Contributions	Employers Contributions	Grand Total	Ceased	Body
Fulbridge Academy	85,238	308,226	393,464		S
Gamlingay First School Academy	13,259	54,690	67,949		S
Gamlingay Parish Council	4,178	23,717	27,895		S
Girton Glebe Primary (CCC)	10,916	42,330	53,246		S*
Gladstone Primary Academy	32,391	130,826	163,217		S
<b>Glebelands Primary Academy</b>	26,269	107,136	133,405		S
Godmanchester Primary School (Academy)	27,068	101,133	128,201		S
Gorefield Primary Academy	8,081	33,234	41,315		S
Granta School (CCC)	64,261	233,330	297,591		S*
Great Wilbraham CE (C) Primary School	5,542	20,972	26,514		S
Greater Peterborough UTC	16,259	51,555	67,814		S
Greenwich Leisure	9,260	38,707	47,967		Ad
Great Abington Primary (CCC)	6,038	23,680	29,718		S*
Great And LT Shelford (CCC)	10,411	41,424	51,835		S*
Great Gidding CE Primary (CCC)	4,038	15,777	19,815		S*
Great Paxton C Of E Primary (CCC)	9,615	36,796	46,411		S*
Great Staughton Academy	4,384	17,990	22,374		S
Guilden Morden C of E Primary Academy	4,934	18,934	23,868		S
Gunthorpe C P School (PCC) (Now Soke Education Trust)	27,352	110,905	138,257	Y	S*
Guyhirn C of E Primary Academy	6,655	27,712	34,367		S
Haddenham IDB	1,669	9,010	10,679		S

Employer	Employee Contributions	Employers Contributions	Grand Total	Ceased	Body
Haddenham Parish Council	1,303	7,948	9,251		S
Hampton College Academy	76,191	264,946	341,137		S
Hampton Gardens Academy	12,667	37,029	49,696		S
Hampton Hargate Primary (PCC)	35,469	146,517	181,986		S*
Hampton Vale Primary (PCC)	29,636	120,107	149,743	Y	S*
Hampton Vale Primary Academy	9,759	38,224	47,983		S
Hardwick Primary School (CCC)	32,046	126,910	158,956		S*
Harston And Newton P School (CCC)	9,722	38,512	48,234		S*
Hartford Infants Academy	12,221	48,995	61,216		S
Hartford Junior Academy	15,369	61,084	76,453		S
Haslingfield Primary (CCC)	9,361	36,880	46,241		S*
Hatton Park (MAT)	12,513	50,720	63,233		S
Hauxton Primary School (CCC)	5,499	21,995	27,494		S*
Heltwate School (PCC)	62,453	261,643	324,096		S*
Hemingford Grey Primary	11,562	45,627	57,189		S
Heritage Park Primary School	11,610	49,118	60,728		S
Highfield Ely Academy	68,820	279,122	347,942		S
Highfield Littleport	22,221	77,788	100,009		S
Highlees Primary Academy	29,155	115,401	144,556		S
Hills Road 6th Form College	148,744	493,299	642,043		S
Hinchingbrooke School Academy	92,357	309,423	401,780		S
Histon & Impington Infant School (MAT)	15,823	65,593	81,416		S

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Histon & Impington Junior School (MAT)	17,585	71,378	88,963		S
Histon & Impington PC	6,823	38,120	44,943		S
Histon Nursery School (CCC)	20,417	82,850	103,267		S*
Holme CE (C)Primary (CCC)	7,098	28,044	35,142	Y	S*
Holmewood IDB	165	1,000	1,165		S
Holywell CE(C)School (CCC)	11,415	44,846	56,261		S*
Home Close	1,562	58,040	59,602		Ad
Homerton College Cambridge	180,244	515,307	695,551		Ad
Homerton Nursery School (CCC)	16,677	65,789	82,466		S*
Houghton Primary	13,381	53,073	66,454		S
Huntingdon & Godmanchester	35,807	193,329	229,136		S
Huntingdon District	1,098,192	4,451,208	5,549,400		S
Huntingdon Nursery School (CCC)	17,739	67,445	85,184		S*
Huntingdon Primary (CCC)	33,268	128,966	162,234		S*
Icknield Primary School (CCC)	9,916	39,456	49,372		S*
Impington Village College	109,457	342,093	451,550		S
Improve It Ltd	769	3,854	4,623		Ad
Isle of Ely Academy	14,708	36,653	51,361		S
Isleham Primary School (CCC)	9,264	36,710	45,974		S*
Jack Hunt (Now Peterborough Keys Academies Trust)	122,288	458,704	580,992	Y	S
Jeavon's Wood Primary Academy	28,005	97,186	125,191		S

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John Clare Primary School (CCC) (Now Soke Education Trust)	8,006	33,061	41,067	Y	S*
Kealey HR Ltd	1,678	6,092	7,770		Ad
Kelsey Kerridge	17,208	109,102	126,310		Ad
Ken Stimpson (PCC)	44,356	173,280	217,636		S*
Kennett Primary School (Academy)	4,562	19,077	23,639		S
Kettlefields Primary (CCC)	6,894	27,189	34,083		S*
Kimbolton Primary Academy	4,797	18,136	22,933		S
Kimbolton School	49,978	311,720	361,698		Ad
Kinderley Primary School (CCC)	5,018	19,890	24,908		S*
Kingdom Services Group	692	2,769	3,461		Ad
Kings Hedges Pension	48,268	179,236	227,504		S
Kings School Academy	65,559	235,398	300,957		S
Kingsfield Primary Academy	36,524	123,553	160,077		S
Lantern CP School Academy	20,117	79,643	99,760		S
Leverington Primary Academy	12,095	45,565	57,660		S
LGSS Law Ltd (CCC)	151,721	479,476	631,197		S*
Linton Heights Junior Academy	11,263	39,501	50,764		S
Linton Infants School (CCC)	12,058	44,462	56,520		S*
Linton Parish Council	259	2,256	2,515		S
Linton Village College Academy	54,825	177,344	232,169		S
Lionel Walden School (CCC)	15,464	64,468	79,932		S*

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Little Downham Parish Council	1,917	10,355	12,272		S
Little Paxton Parish Council	2,700	15,176	17,876		S
Little Paxton School (CCC)	15,417	60,735	76,152		S*
Little Thetford Primary (CCC)	6,973	27,542	34,515		S*
Littleport & Downham IDB	7,928	42,812	50,740		S
Littleport & East Cambridge Academy	10,348	34,934	45,282		S
Littleport CP School (CCC)	26,434	102,174	128,608		S*
Long Road 6th Form College	79,048	300,384	379,432		S
Longsands College Academy	80,157	282,258	362,415		S
Longthorpe Primary School(PCC) (Now Peterborough Keys Academies Trust)	29,211	119,478	148,689	Y	S*
Luminus Group	86,275	863,689	949,964		Ad
Lunchtime (Abbey Meadow)	799	3,196	3,995		Ad
Lunchtime Company Ltd – Gorefield	742	3,128	3,870		Ad
Lunchtime Company Ltd – Kinderley	460	1,841	2,301		Ad
Lunchtime UK (Fulbourn Primary)	1,317	5,268	6,585		Ad
Lunchtime UK (Gorefield & Kinderley)	230	919	1,149	Y	Ad
Lunchtime UK (Grove Primary)	275	1,099	1,374		Ad
Lunchtime UK (Over)	401	1,602	2,003		Ad
Lunchtime UK (St Matthews)	442	1,768	2,210		Ad
Lunchtime UK (Waterbeach)	584	2,334	2,918		Ad

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Lunchtime UK Ltd	2,045	8,180	10,225		Ad
Magistrates Court Committee	0	632,000	632,000	Y	S
Manea Primary School (CCC)	12,250	50,112	62,362		S*
Matley Primary Academy	20,547	80,071	100,618		S
Mayfield Primary School (CCC)	21,978	86,299	108,277		S*
Meadowgate School	72,008	265,315	337,323		S
Mears Group	45,544	0	45,544		Ad
Mears Ltd (SCDC)	12,703	0	12,703		Ad
Melbourn Primary	19,390	75,672	95,062		S
Melbourn Village College Academy	28,372	103,023	131,395		S
MELDRETH PRIMARY SCHOOL (CCC)	10,107	40,236	50,343		S*
Mepal & Witcham C of E Primary Academy	3,670	13,346	17,016		S
Meridian School (CCC)	8,393	32,886	41,279		S*
Middle Fen & Mere IDB	20,563	93,131	113,694		S
Middle Level Commissioners	77,670	313,282	390,952		S
Middlefield Primary School (Academy)	12,418	49,563	61,981		S
Middleton Primary School (PCC) (Now Peterborough Keys Academies Trust)	32,806	133,184	165,990	Y	S*
Millfield Primary School Academy	21,774	86,140	107,914		S
Milton Primary Academy	12,228	49,529	61,757		S
Milton Road Primary School (CCC)	19,067	73,088	92,155		S*
MITIE Facilities Management	1,565	3,385	4,950		Ad

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Monkfield Park School (CCC)	28,123	99,368	127,491		S*
Morley Memorial School (CCC)	23,428	85,996	109,424		S*
Mountain Healthcare Ltd	1,711	6,145	7,856		Ad
Murrow Primary School (Academy)	6,742	25,081	31,823		S
Museum Doc Assn	2,591	19,352	21,943		Ad
NCSC	9,275	33,173	42,448		Ad
Neale Wade Community College	85,829	327,305	413,134		S
Nene Infants Academy	37,854	152,675	190,529		S
Nene Park Academy	57,874	202,243	260,117		S
Nene Valley Primary School	18,292	75,074	93,366	Y	S
Netherhall School Academy	46,329	180,079	226,408		S
New Road Primary Academy	7,561	30,410	37,971		S
Newark Hill Primary Academy	16,070	68,366	84,436		S
Newborough CE (C) Primary School	10,515	43,743	54,258		S
Newborough Parish Council	788	4,974	5,762		S
Newnham Croft Primary (CCC)	13,909	53,185	67,094		S*
Newton Primary School (CCC)	4,747	19,113	23,860		S*
Nightingale Cleaning Limited - CPET schools	52	208	260		Ad
North Cambridge Academy	27,102	85,731	112,833		S
North Level Commissioners	37,146	187,062	224,208		S
Northborough Primary (PCC)	11,714	49,147	60,861		S*

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Norwood Primary School (PCC)	15,872	63,550	79,422		S*
Nourish (All Saints Inter- Church Academy)	214	856	1,070		Ad
Nourish (Girton Glebe, Park Street, St Lukes and St Philips School - Catering Service)	1,039	4,264	5,303		Ad
NPS Property Consultants Ltd	4,215	18,998	23,213		Ad
Oakington C Of E Primary (CCC)	6,041	24,104	30,145		S*
Octavia AP Academy	12,288	49,482	61,770		S
Offord Primary School (CCC)	7,318	28,816	36,134		S*
Old Fletton Primary School	30,087	124,273	154,360		S
Orchard Park Community School (CCC)	10,725	43,119	53,844		S*
Orchards C of E Primary	35,409	139,667	175,076		S
Ormiston Bushfield Academy	66,547	205,769	272,316		S
Orton Waterville Parish Council	771	5,835	6,606		S
Orton Wistow School	27,135	113,497	140,632	Y	S
Over Primary School (CCC)	12,836	51,012	63,848		S*
Oxford Archaeology(East)	59,840	157,739	217,579		Ad
Pabulum (Ely)	2,559	10,872	13,431		Ad
Pabulum (Sawtry)	4,614	24,143	28,757		Ad
Pabulum (St Bede's Inter- Church School)	2,108	8,647	10,755		Ad
Pabulum Catering Ltd (Cottenham)	501	1,167	1,668	Y	Ad
Pabulum Catering Ltd (Downham Feoffees)	628	2,476	3,104		Ad

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Pabulum Catering Ltd (Sawtry Junior School)	1,785	7,465	9,250		Ad
Pabulum Limited	2,486	4,161	6,647		Ad
Park Lane Primary Academy & Nursery	24,569	96,171	120,740		S
Park Street CE (A) Primary School	6,780	28,152	34,932		S
Parkside Federation Academy	104,663	341,717	446,380		S
Parnwell Primary Academy	14,415	59,915	74,330		S
Paston Ridings Primary (PCC)	35,305	149,963	185,268		S*
Peakirk Cum Glinton Primary (PCC)	18,059	75,422	93,481		S*
Peckover Primary School (Academy)	28,789	101,689	130,478		S
Pendragon CP School (CCC)	20,789	82,288	103,077		S*
Perse School For Girls	697	-697	0	Y	Ad
Peterborough College of Adult Education (PCAE)	150,199	536,358	686,557		S
Peterborough Cultural and Leisure Trust	47,924	140,977	188,901		Ad
Peterborough District	2,511,033	8,615,897	11,126,930		S
Peterborough Regional College	387,358	1,403,282	1,790,640		S
Petersfield Primary School (CCC)	5,908	23,436	29,344		S
Phoenix School (PCC)	80,858	337,141	417,999		S*
Police & Crime Commissioners	48,983	186,157	235,140		s
Priory Infants School (CCC)	22,203	87,568	109,771		S*
Priory Junior School(CCC)	9,332	36,915	46,247		S*

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Pupil Referral Service PCC	72,062	274,702	346,764		S*
Queen Edith School	31,535	123,097	154,632		S
Queen Emma Primary School	39,440	156,886	196,326		S
Rackham CE School (CCC)	17,549	68,806	86,355		S*
Radis Community Care	15,015	46,397	61,412		Ad
Ramnoth Junior Academy	19,610	80,521	100,131		S
Ramsey Community Junior Academy	11,163	46,951	58,114		S
Ramsey Spinning Infants Academy	11,168	45,833	57,001		S
Ravensthorpe Primary (Now Peterborough Keys Academies Trust)	23,779	93,773	117,552	Y	S
Ridgefield Junior (CCC)	14,718	57,391	72,109		S*
Robert Arkenstall Primary (CCC)	14,232	56,492	70,724		S*
<b>Roddons Housing Association</b>	37,932	130,068	168,000	Y	Ad
Romsey Mill Trust	124	393	517		S
Round House Primary School	23,195	79,220	102,415		S
Samuel Pepys School (CCC)	45,941	175,098	221,039		S*
Sanctuary Housing	39,694	528,691	568,385		S
Sawston Parish Council	4,422	18,513	22,935		S
Sawston Village College Academy	67,874	236,034	303,908		S
Sawtry Community College Academy	41,696	150,495	192,191		S
Sawtry Infants School (CCC)	11,253	44,566	55,819		S*
Sawtry Junior Academy	8,846	35,827	44,673		S
Sawtry Parish Council	3,997	21,880	25,877		S

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Serco	204,748	315,181	519,929		Ad
Serco Limited	35,208	81,170	116,378		Ad
Shade Primary School	11,338	34,476	45,814		S
Shirley Infants School (CCC)	34,407	134,007	168,414		S*
Sir Harry Smith Community College (Academy)	67,214	264,021	331,235		S
Skanska PCC (Highways)	16,481	51,028	67,509		Ad
Soham Parish Council	4,485	29,667	34,152		S
Soham Village College Academy	76,225	280,901	357,126		S
Somersham Parish Council	1,384	10,616	12,000		S
Somersham Primary School (CCC)	14,379	55,797	70,176		S*
South Cambs District	948,044	4,267,479	5,215,523		S
Southfields Junior School (PCC)	47,631	196,517	244,148		S*
Spaldwick Primary School (CCC)	7,963	31,792	39,755		S*
Spring Common Primary School Academy	76,450	304,233	380,683		S
Spring Meadow Infants (CCC)	27,408	105,506	132,914		S*
Spurgeons	2,604	0	2,604		Ad
St Alban's Catholic Primary School	11,801	46,030	57,831		S
St Andrews C of E Primary Academy	22,864	100,282	123,146		S
St Annes CE Primary (CCC)	12,134	48,596	60,730		S*
St Augustines CE Junior School (PCC)	14,554	60,743	75,297		S*
St Bedes School (Academy)	38,456	152,662	191,118		S

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St Botolphs CE Primary School (PCC)	30,255	125,256	155,511	Y	S*
St Helen's School	7,922	30,918	38,840		S
St Ives Town Council	17,248	92,103	109,351		S
St Ivo School Academy	81,170	281,870	363,040		S
St John Fisher School	50,669	187,841	238,510		S
St John's Academy (Stanground)	13,528	56,499	70,027		S
St John's C of E Primary Academy (Huntingdon)	20,768	90,026	110,794		S
St Laurences RC Primary (CCC)	14,085	54,439	68,524		S*
St Lukes C Of E Primary (CCC)	14,358	56,314	70,672		S*
St Marys C of E Junior (Ely)	23,737	94,814	118,551		S
St Marys Primary Academy(St Neots)	10,894	44,136	55,030		S
St Matthews Primary School (CCC)	29,924	115,515	145,439		S*
St Michaels CE Primary School (PCC)	27,630	115,290	142,920		S*
St Neots Town Council	39,986	236,635	276,621		S
St Pauls CE Primary (CCC)	10,031	39,090	49,121		S*
St Peters C of E Junior Academy	18,806	74,467	93,273		S
St Peters School Academy	55,190	187,122	242,312		S
St Philips C Of E Primary (CCC)	17,824	68,736	86,560		S*
St Thomas More School (PCC)	28,443	119,684	148,127		S*
Stanground Academy	55,453	223,245	278,698		S

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Stapleford Community Primary Academy	13,627	56,136	69,763		S
Steeple Morden C Of E (CCC)	11,599	46,396	57,995		S*
Stilton C_of_E Primary School	8,531	33,583	42,114		S
Stilton Primary School (CCC)	744	2,917	3,661	Y	S*
Stretham Primary School (CCC)	9,287	36,925	46,212		S*
Stukeley Meadows School (CCC)	21,796	86,509	108,305		S*
Sutton Parish Council	2,094	11,308	13,402		S
Sutton Primary School (CCC)	14,989	59,253	74,242		S*
Swaffham Bulbeck CE Primary Academy	2,477	10,360	12,837		S
Swaffham Bulbeck Primary (CCC)	3,153	12,612	15,765	Y	S*
Swaffham IDB	1,887	10,192	12,079		S
Swaffham Prior CE Primary Academy	6,870	16,269	23,139		S
Swaffham Prior CE School (CCC)	7,533	9,545	17,078	Y	S*
Swavesey Parish Council	1,239	7,497	8,736		S
Swavesey Primary School (CCC)	21,557	81,659	103,216		S*
Swavesey Village College Academy	57,918	206,582	264,500		S
Teversham C_of_E P. (CCC)	10,135	40,017	50,152		S*
The Adolescent and Childrens Trust	48,907	140,579	189,486		Ad
the Beeches Primary School (PCC)	25,937	106,154	132,091		S*
The Centre School Academy	3,215	8,012	11,227		S

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The Grove Primary School (CCC)	20,203	78,727	98,930		S*
The Harbour School (CCC)	21,611	85,561	107,172		S*
The Lantern CP School (CCC)	4,041	15,968	20,009	Y	S*
The Pathfinder Academy	6,071	22,563	28,634		S
The Spinney Primary School (CCC)	11,614	45,126	56,740		S*
The Stephen Perse Foundation	26,421	98,059	124,480		S
The Voyager Academy	78,355	298,578	376,933		S
Thomas Clarkson Community College Academy	54,822	243,715	298,537		S
Thomas Deacon Academy	162,621	564,939	727,560		S
Thomas Eaton Community Primary Academy	13,539	55,445	68,984		S
Thongsley Fields Primary (CCC)	7,038	27,737	34,775	Y	S*
Thongsley Fields Primary and Nursery School	11,899	48,909	60,808		s
Thorndown Community Primary School	32,346	128,149	160,495		s
Thorney Parish Council	907	5,553	6,460		S
Thorpe Primary School (PCC) (Now Peterborough Keys Academies Trust)	41,473	167,662	209,135	Y	S*
Thriplow CE Primary School	5,494	22,039	27,533		S
TNS Catering (Linton Cluster)	1,761	7,046	8,807		Ad
TNS Catering (WASP Cluster 1)	1,706	6,959	8,665		Ad
TNS Catering (Wasp Cluster 2)	770	3,218	3,988		Ad

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Townley Primary School (CCC)	8,791	35,780	44,571		S*
Trumpington Meadows Primary School	12,691	50,388	63,079		S
Trumpington Park Academy	5,381	21,722	27,103		S
TSG Building Services	9,333	22,200	31,533		Ad
Turning The Red Lights Green	0	26,000	26,000	Y	Ad
Unity Academy	17,515	92,244	109,759		S
University of Cambridge Primary Academy	14,424	52,439	66,863		S
University Technical College Academy	3,001	8,981	11,982		S
Upwood Primary Academy	4,632	19,067	23,699		S
Upwood Primary School (CCC)	2,132	8,383	10,515	Y	S*
VHS Cleaning Services Ltd	343	1,433	1,776	Y	Ad
Vine Inter Church School (CCC)	27,417	102,423	129,840		S*
VISIT Cambridge and Beyond	20,967	64,714	85,681		Ad
Warboys Primary School (CCC)	16,354	64,205	80,559	Y	S*
Waterbeach CP School (CCC)	16,954	66,657	83,611		S*
Waterbeach Level IDB	1,796	9,697	11,493		S
Waterbeach Parish Council	2,962	16,947	19,909		S
Watergall Primary Academy	20,014	79,919	99,933		S
Weatheralls Primary Academy	28,921	118,204	147,125		S
Welbourne Primary School (PCC)	24,575	101,646	126,221	Y	S*
Welland Primary Academy	22,721	83,666	106,387		S

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Employer	Employee Contributions	Employers Contributions	Grand Total	Ceased	Body
Witcham Parish Council	199	1,271	1,470		S
Witchford Village College Academy	47,818	145,191	193,009		S
Wittering Primary (Now Soke Education Trust)	20,469	83,893	104,362	Y	S
Woodston Primary School	26,504	115,042	141,546	Y	S

Employer	Employee Contributions	Employers Contributions	Grand Total	Ceased	Body
Wyton Primary School (CCC)	9,686	37,817	47,502		S*
Yaxley Infants School (CCC)	10,119	39,714	49,833		S*
Yaxley Parish Council	8,044	45,297	53,341		S
Grand Total	26,426,978	98,145,205	124,572,183		

### **Investment Policy and Performance**

#### Introduction

Investment of the Fund's assets is governed by the Local Government Pension Scheme – in accordance with Regulation 7 of the Local Government Pension Scheme (Management and Investment of Funds) Regulations 2016 ("the Regulations"). These seek to ensure that the Fund:

- has formulated an appropriate Investment Strategy; a copy of which is available at <u>https://pensions.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/app/uploads/2019/04/Investment-</u> <u>Strategy-Statement.pdf</u>
- in formulating its Investment Strategy has considered and documented its approach to:
- risk assessment and risk management,
- pooling investments,
- how environmental, social and governance issues are taken into account in investment selection,
- having suitably diversified investments,
- has taken appropriate advice,
- has an appropriate number of Investment Managers who invest fund monies on its behalf,
- has relevant investment limits which are not exceeded,
- regularly monitors and reviews investments and investment arrangements,
- understands the restrictions on its powers to borrow, and
- operates a separate bank account.

The 2016 Regulations also set out the circumstances under which the Secretary of State would issue a direction to intervene in the management of the Fund's investments.

The Pension Fund Committee (PFC) approves investment policies and strategy and has established an Investment Sub-Committee (ISC), with support from the Fund's Advisors, to implement these investment policies and strategy, which includes the appointment and dismissal of Investment Managers and monitoring of performance.

The Fund adopts a long term perspective, focussing its investment strategy to generate return on a risk adjusted basis to grow the Fund's assets to reflect its equally long term future liabilities.

The Fund's approach to Sustainable Responsible Investment (SRI) is covered in the Investment Strategy Statement (ISS), in which the PFC has delegated to Investment Managers the responsibility for any shareholder voting and engagement.

The Fund is a member of the Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF), which is a voluntary association of LGPS funds that seeks to protect and enhance the value of its members' shareholdings by way of shareholder engagement, by action on corporate governance issues and by seeking to promote the highest standards of corporate social responsibility at the companies in which LAPFF members invest. Through LAPFF, the Fund exercises its belief that engagement with company management to promote improvements in SRI practices is more powerful than divesting from the company's shares.

The Fund supports the principles of the UK Stewardship Code (the "Stewardship Code") and will be working with the Fund's Advisors with the intention to sign up to the revised 2019 UK Stewardship Code when published.

# Information about Investment Manager voting is available at <a href="https://pensions.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/governance/key-documents/cambridgeshire/">https://pensions.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/governance/key-documents/cambridgeshire/</a>

#### **Role of Investment Managers**

The ISS seeks to ensure that the Fund has an appropriate number of Investment Managers to invest fund monies on its behalf. Each Investment Manager relationship is governed by an Investment Management Agreement, which sets out how much they can invest, the asset class in which the Fund has employed them to invest, the expected target return and how much the Fund will pay for this service.

Where the Fund invests in a pooled fund rather than appointing an Investment Manager to invest directly on behalf of the Fund, the terms of the investment are governed by the prospectus issued by the manager of the pooled fund, such as assets transferring over to the asset pool.

#### **Active focus**

The Fund with the exception of the passive UK Equity and Global Equity mandate and a buy and hold strategy for index-linked bonds, favours "active" briefs to outperform agreed specific benchmarks.

### Custodian

The Fund's Custodian is Northern Trust. The Custodian is responsible for ensuring that the Fund has good title to all investments, that all trades instructed by Investment Managers are settled on time and that all income due to the Fund is received and recorded accurately. Northern Trust also maintain the investment accounting records for the Fund.

#### **Asset Pooling**

The Fund is working with ten like-minded LGPS funds to implement the ACCESS asset pool in response to the Government's LGPS reform agenda. The main aim is to encouraged LGPS Funds to work together to form asset pools to "pool investments to significantly reduce costs, while maintaining investment performance." Individually, the participating funds have a strong performance history and potential for substantial benefits for a group of successful, like-minded authorities collaborating and sharing their collective expertise. Collectively the ACCESS Pool has significant scale with assets of £43bn, managed on behalf of c3,000 employers and c900,000 members.

The roles and decision-making relationship between the eleven funds is informed by an Inter Authority Agreement. The ACCESS pool is governed by the ACCESS Joint Committee (AJC) comprising the Chairmen of the eleven constituent funds. The Joint Committee have appointed Link Fund Solutions Ltd (Link) as operator of the pool and the LF ACCESS Authorised Contractual Scheme (ACS).

In December 2017 the Fund participated in a collaborative procurement for a passive equity provider, resulting in the appointment of UBS Asset Management, which has generated significant fee savings for the Fund.

On 9 August 2018 Link received notification from the FCA that the prospectus for the ACS and the first sub-fund had been approved with the initial investment in the ACS by three fellow ACCESS funds following on 16 November 2018. Cambridgeshire's first transition of the Dodge & Cox mandate into the LF ACCESS Global Stock Sub Fund was completed on 11 February 2019. Further transition of the Fund's active equity mandates are scheduled during 2019-20.

ACCESS is also setting up the ACCESS Support Unit (ASU) which will manage the Operator contract against specified KPIs and provide technical and secretariat support services to the AJC and Officer Working Group (OWG).

In addition to the savings in Investment Management fees due to the reduction in manager numbers and an increase in mandate size, there are other tangible benefits from pooling including a governance dividend and tax savings for funds moving from pooled funds to segregated mandates in the pool's tax transparent ACS. For some asset classes such as global equities tax savings alone are material relative to additional costs of implementing pooling.

More information about the ACCESS asset pool can be found on their website: <u>www.accesspool.org</u> .

#### **Local Investment**

The Fund holds an allocation to local investments currently consisting of the Cambridge & Counties Bank and Cambridgeshire Building Society. These assets will remain outside of the asset pool.

In addition the Fund will not pool cash held for the efficient administration of the scheme, which is needed to manage cash flow to meet statutory liabilities including monthly pension payroll payments.

#### The Costs of Pooling

The costs of setting up the ACCESS pool and the operating costs of the pool are collected by a nominated ACCESS authority and re-charged in equal shares to the eleven ACCESS funds. Cambridgeshire's share of costs is reported within Other Costs in Note 12 Investment Management Expenses to the Statement of Accounts and comprises the following:

Set Up Costs	2018-19 Set Up Costs	
	£'000	£'000
Strategic & Technical	29.7	85.5
Legal	30.9	67.1
Project Management	15.3	77.1
ACCESS Support Unit	31.2	35.6
Other	2.4	21.5
Total Set Up Costs	109.5	286.8

Operational Costs	2018-19 £'000	2015-16 to 2018-19 Cumulative £'000
Strategic & Technical	-	-
Legal	-	-
Project Management	-	-
ACCESS Support Unit	1.7	10.4
Other	-	-
Total Set Up Costs	1.7	10.4

#### **Cost Savings**

The combined fee savings for the 2018-19 financial year resulting from the asset pooling agenda exceed £480k per annum, mainly resulting from the passive mandate.

#### **Cost Transparency**

CIPFA have published a document "Accounting for Local Government Pension Scheme Management Expenses". The objective is to identify the total cost of the supply chain of Investment Management, including trading expenses, performance fees and other costs incurred indirectly by underlying sub-funds.

The LGPS Scheme Advisory Board in conjunction with the Investment Association has devised a cost reporting template to be used on a voluntary basis by Investment Managers to report their total costs. In May 2019 the Cost Transparency Initiative (CTI) issued a different set of templates which have been adopted by the SAB into their transparency framework. There is a period of transition for Investment Managers to adopt their systems to populate the new template.

The Fund will receive Cost of Transparency data in the 2019-20 financial year and report accordingly in the 2019-20 Annual Report. Direct costs include: invoiced costs and costs deducted from the value of fund, or from income generated, in accordance with the fee agreement in place with each manager.

#### **Investment Allocation and Performance**

The Pension Fund Committee is responsible for approving the Strategic Asset Allocation proposed by the Investment Sub-Committee (ISC). The ISC have reviewed the allocation during 2018-19 in conjunction with the Fund's Investment Consultants, Mercer Ltd. The review assessed the appropriateness of the current strategy and any changes necessary to increase the chance of meeting the Fund's objectives, namely:

- To reach full funding and be in a position to pay benefits as they fall due; and
- To ensure contributions remain affordable to employers

The revised strategy approved by the Pension Fund Committee in March 2019 has the objective of reducing the Fund's reliance upon, and the associated risks, of a large allocation to equities whilst retaining sufficient exposure to growth assets. The revised strategy, which will be implemented during 2019-20, focuses on a reduction in equities and an increase in alternative assets (such as Private equity and Infrastructure) and a flexible allocation to fixed income. The ISC will also implement a risk management framework to manage equity market and asset liability risks. Any consequential changes to Investment Manager mandates will be implemented in conjunction with the roll-out of sub-funds offered by the ACCESS pool ACS.

The Universe overview highlights the potential benefits of the revised strategy.



The charts below show the Strategic Asset Allocation at the start and close of the financial year compared to the actual allocation of assets at 31 March 2019 and the revised Strategic Asset Allocation targeted for 2019-20.



### Strategic Allocation from 1 April 2019



The value of the investments held by each of the Fund's Investment Managers on 31 March 2018 and 31 March 2019 is shown in the following table.

#### Value of investments at the balance sheet date

		31 March 201	8	31 March 2019	
Ma	anager	£m	% of Total	£m	% of Total
	UBS Passive UK Equity	257.9	8.8	70.0	2.1
	Schroders UK Equity	387.6	13.3	389.3	12.2
	JO Hambro	472.5	16.2	524.8	16.4
	Link Fund Solutions - ACCESS Global Stock	472.1	16.2	498.8	15.6
	UBS Passive Global Equity	435.7	14.9	695.0	21.8
	Schroders Bonds	313.5	10.8	315.4	10.0
	Schroders Property	217.0	7.4	242.0	7.6
	Adams Street	67.2	2.3	80.5	2.5
	Allianz	0.0	0.0	12.4	0.4
	AMP debt	9.6	0.3	19.2	0.6
	Cambridge and Counties Bank	65.9	2.3	81.1	2.6
	Cambridge Building Society	10.0	0.3	15.0	0.5
	Equitix	32.7	1.1	33.3	1.0
	HarbourVest	46.6	1.6	58.5	1.8
	M&G	59	2.0	70.7	2.2
	Partners Group	26.5	0.9	37.4	1.2
	UBS Infrastructure	16.3	0.6	16.7	0.5
	Cash	25.9	1.0	17.2	1.0
то	DTAL	2,916.0	100	3,177.3	100

Link Fund Solutions provide funds to the ACCESS asset pool and indicate assets invested within the pool.

The table above excludes new commitments to the Alternatives allocation in infrastructure equity funds managed by JP Morgan and IFM Investors for which no funds had been called by 31 March 2019. During 2018-19 the initial cash calls were made on commitments made in previous years to AMP Capital and Allianz Global Investor's infrastructure debt funds and the M&G residential property fund. During the year the UBS Global passive mandate was reorganised to include regional indexed passive funds and factor-based passive funds.

#### **Total Fund Performance**

The total investment return for the Fund over the financial year was 7.1% compared with a weighted benchmark return of 8.9%. In the previous year the total investment return was 2.5% compared with a weighted benchmark of 3.0%. The Fund's total investment return was 11.2% p.a over the three years to 31 March 2019, 8.5% p.a over the five years to 31 March 2019, and 10.1% per annum over the ten years to 31 March 2019.

#### Performance of Managers

The ISC of the PFC continue to monitor the Investment Managers' performance against their benchmark at their quarterly meetings. All managers are measured against market-based performance benchmarks with bespoke outperformance targets set for active managers which are expected to be met over a three to five year period. All manager mandates returned positive performance in 2018-19 with the exception of the Schroder Strategic Bonds mandate. Net of fees performance of each manager compared to benchmark over one, three and ten years is shown in the table below.

Asset Class /Manager			1 year (% p.a)	ear (% p.a) 3 year (% p.a)		)	10 year (% p.a)			
		Return	Benchmark	Variance	Return	Benchmark	Variance	Return	Benchmark	Variance
	Schroders UK Equity	5.1	6.4	(1.3)	10.0	9.5	0.5	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Dodge & Cox <sup>1</sup>	5.6	12.0	(6.4)	14.7	14.4	0.3	n/a	n/a	n/a
	JO Hambro	10.7	10.5	0.2	14.8	14.4	0.4	n/a	n/a	n/a
	UBS passive	10.2	10.3	(0.1)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Schroders – Bonds & Index-linked	4.2	6.3	(2.1)	6.8	9.1	(2.3)	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Schroders – Non-Gov't bonds	(3.0)	0.6	(3.6)	1.2	0.4	0.8	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Schroders – Property	5.9	4.8	1.1	6.0	6.1	(0.1)	6.2	8.3	(2.1)
	M&G - secured loans	2.4	4.8	(2.4)	4.1	4.5	(0.4)	n/a	n/a	n/a

<sup>1</sup>= Reflects performance of the Dodge & Cox Global Stock Fund for all periods. On 11 February 2019 the investment was transferred into the LF ACCESS Global Stock Fund that invests in the same fund and for which performance is broadly similar.

n/a = Not invested for the full period therefore no meaningful performance measure is available

#### Performance in Comparison with Local Authority Universe

The Local Authority Universe is a national scheme consisting of 64 pension funds collated by PIRC Ltd that provides benchmarking of local authority pension funds investment performance.

In 2018-19 the Fund's performance of 7.1% over the financial year was ranked 31<sup>st</sup> percentile out of the 64 Funds participating in the Universe. The investment return achieved was influenced by the Fund's holding of a higher proportion of Equities, when compared to the Local Authority Universe.



### Investment Return compared to Local Authority Universe

The Fund's current strategy has a higher allocation to Equities and a lower allocation to Alternatives when compared to the Local Authority Universe, however the revised investment strategy, being implemented during 2019-20, will change the profile of the Fund's assets resulting in an increased allocation to Alternatives.



### Investment Allocation compared to Local Authority Universe

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% Returns p.a

The table above demonstrates the Fund's performance compared to benchmark returns and the average investment return achieved by the Local Authority Universe over a one, three, five and ten year period.

Investment Consultants Review 2018-19 Economic and Market Background<sup>1</sup>

The year to 31 March 2019 has been rather mixed for investment markets with a relatively strong first half followed by significant bouts of volatility in the second half of the year.

The second and third quarters of 2018 saw strong global equity market performance on the back of a continued broad global economic expansion. During the fourth quarter of the year, the outlook for global growth started to soften, which combined with investor concerns over monetary tightening by the Federal Reserve ('Fed') as well as uncertainty over trade, led to the largest sell-off in equity markets since 2008. Following the Fed softening their tone on monetary policy and the prospect of a trade settlement between the US and China, as well as slower but still solid economic data from the US led investors to re-evaluate their initial reaction and a strong rebound in equity markets ensued in the first quarter of 2019.

The US largely continued its economic expansion, boosted by tax cuts and rising business confidence amid the business-friendly stance of the Trump administration even though the prospects for further supply side policies is diminished, following the Democrats winning a majority in the House of Representatives in last November's midterm elections. Japan, the UK and continental Europe saw more measured growth, even though economic data from continental Europe over the last six months hinted at a slowdown.

In the UK, uncertainty over Brexit continued to dominate the investor outlook. The UK economy slowed over 2018 but appeared to remain resilient, despite the continued political uncertainty about the future of trade and the Irish border. Real GDP growth for the UK has slowed from 1.8%<sup>2</sup> in 2017 to 1.4%<sup>2</sup> in 2018.

Emerging markets had a challenging 2018 as they experienced uncertainty over trade frictions, rising US interest rates, deleveraging in China as well a strengthening US dollar. Headwinds started to soften in the first quarter of 2019 with improvement on many of these fronts, including softer US monetary outlook leading to less upwards pressure on the US Dollar, improvements in the current account positions for a number of countries with balance of payment problems, and an expected trade settlement between the US and China.

#### **Key Events during the Year**



All return figures quoted below are in sterling terms over the 12-month period to 31 March 2019.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Statistics sourced from Thomson Reuters Datastream unless otherwise specified

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Statistics sourced from Consensus Economics March 2019

#### **Growth Assets**

At a global level, developed markets as measured by the FTSE World index, returned 11.1%. Meanwhile, a return of 6.4% was recorded by the FTSE All World Emerging Markets index.

At a regional level, European markets returned 2.6% as indicated by the FTSE World Europe ex UK index. At a country level, UK stocks as measured by the FTSE All Share index returned 6.4%. The FTSE USA index returned 17.7% while the FTSE Japan index returned -0.9%.

UK property investors continued to benefit from the improving property market. Over the 12-month period to 31 March 2019, the IPD UK All Property Index returned 5.6% in sterling terms. The three main sectors of the UK Property market each recorded mixed returns over the period (retail: -2.6%; office: 6.5%; and; industrial 14.5%).

#### **Bond Markets**

Returns on UK Government Bonds, as measured by the FTSE Gilts All Stocks Index, returned 3.7%, while long dated issues as measured by the corresponding Over 15 Year Index had a return of 4.7% over the year. The yield for the FTSE Gilts All Stocks index fell over the year from 1.54% to 1.36%.

The FTSE All Stocks Index Linked Gilts index returned 5.5% with the corresponding over 15-year index exhibiting a return of 5.7%.

Corporate debt as measured by the Bank of America Merrill Lynch Sterling Non-Gilts index returned 3.7%.

#### Currencies

Over the 12-month period to 31 March 2019, Sterling depreciated by 7.1% against the US Dollar from \$1.40 to \$1.30. Sterling depreciated by 3.3% against the Yen from  $\pm$ 149.19 to  $\pm$ 144.23. Sterling appreciated against the Euro by 1.7% from  $\pm$ 1.14 to  $\pm$ 1.16 over the same period.

#### **Fund Performance**

Over the twelve-month period, the Fund achieved a return of 7.1% (net of fees) versus a target return set at the date of the 2016 actuarial valuation of 4%. Of the active managers JO Hambro Global Equity, Schroders Property, Adams Street Private Equity, UBS Infrastructure and Equitix Infrastructure all outperformed their respective benchmarks over the year while the other funds underperformed.

#### Outlook

Investors' main concerns at the end of 2018 revolved around a perceived slowdown in global growth, falling corporate earnings, whether monetary tightening from the Fed was going to continue, deleveraging in China and unresolved trade tensions between the US and China. On most fronts, we have seen positive developments during the first quarter of 2019, which should feed into the rest of the year.

Economic growth has slowed but remains reasonable in the US and stable, if more subdued, in developed markets outside the US. The latter, along with emerging markets, are expected to bottom out throughout the year which is expected to offset the slowdown in the US, leading us to expect moderate growth overall throughout the year amid an environment of low inflation and supportive monetary policy. We deem the likelihood of a recession in the US or even on a global basis for this year as fairly low. While last quarter's growth fears were justified to some extent, we are seeing encouraging signs of emerging growth from China.

At the end of 2018, investors expected the Fed to propose 3-4 rate changes during 2019 and so the unexpected change in direction from the Fed spooked markets initially. Three months later, markets have recovered their poise.

China has gone through considerable de-leveraging to rebalance its economy onto a more financially stable path but has, at the same time, eased monetary conditions somewhat and introduced some fiscal stimulus to mitigate the slowdown. It has also become more likely now that the US and China will agree on a trade settlement which should, when coupled with last year's conclusion of the NAFTA negotiations, remove a large source of uncertainty that had indirectly impacted the global economy last year. On this basis, from a forward looking perspective, we remain 'neutral' on listed equities and growth fixed income as we see the environment as still being generally benign for growth assets but we must point out that following the recovery over the first quarter of 2019, valuations are not quite as attractive as they were at the end of last year (though they are still more attractive than prior to the sell-off). We are less positive on defensive fixed income given the high valuations. In particular investment grade credit where spreads have been compressed and the credit cycle enters the latter stages.

#### **Investment Strategy**

The Fund's strategic benchmark is allocated across a diverse range of asset classes expected in aggregate to generate a return above the growth in the Fund's liabilities, and improve the funding level, over the long term. The Fund holds a material part of the assets in the equity portfolio allocation which is held with the expectation of generating strong real returns above that of the Fund's liabilities. However, the Fund also holds a defensive portfolio (made up of bond investments) and an alternatives portfolio which aims to achieve strong real returns whilst giving the Fund some diversification away from equity markets. The Committee continued to monitor its investment strategy relative to the funding level during the year. Post year-end the Committee have begun work on implementing a 'risk management framework' to help manage the Fund's largest investment risks e.g. equity, long term interest rates and inflation volatility. The framework will initially focus on reducing the equity risk by introducing an equity protection strategy to overlay the equity portfolio. The Committee have also agreed to implement an updated, more diversified asset allocation. The proposed portfolio should help protect gains in funding and

reduce the sensitivity of the assets to an equity stress event, which in turn should help contribution rates remain stable and affordable.

These changes have been made with the Government's pooling initiative in mind.

Peter Gent Mercer Limited June 2019

# **Actuarial Information**

### Cambridgeshire Pension Fund ("the Fund") Actuarial Statement for 2018-19

This statement has been prepared in accordance with Regulation 57(1)(d) of the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 2013. It has been prepared at the request of the Administering Authority of the Fund for the purpose of complying with the aforementioned regulation.

### **Description of Funding Policy**

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The funding policy is set out in the Administering Authority's Funding Strategy Statement (FSS), dated March 2017. In summary, the key funding principles are as follows:

- to ensure the long-term solvency of the Fund using a prudent long term view. This will ensure that sufficient funds are available to meet all members'/dependants' benefits as they fall due for payment;
- to ensure that employer contribution rates are reasonably stable where appropriate;
- to minimise the long-term cash contributions which employers need to pay to the Fund by recognising the link between assets and liabilities and adopting an investment strategy which balances risk and return (this will also minimise the costs to be borne by Council Tax payers);
- to reflect the different characteristics of different employers in determining contribution rates. This involves the Fund having a clear and transparent funding strategy to demonstrate how each employer can best meet its own liabilities over future years; and
- to use reasonable measures to reduce the risk to other employers and ultimately to the Council Tax payer from an employer defaulting on its pension obligations.

The FSS sets out how the Administering Authority seeks to balance the conflicting aims of securing the solvency of the Fund and keeping employer contributions stable. For employers whose covenant was considered by the Administering Authority to be sufficiently strong, contributions have been stabilised to return their portion of the Fund to full funding over 20 years if the valuation assumptions are borne out.

Asset-liability modelling has been carried out which demonstrate that if these contribution rates are paid and future contribution changes are constrained as set out in the FSS, there is still a 66% likelihood that the Fund will return to full funding over 20 years.

### Funding Position as at the last formal funding valuation

The most recent actuarial valuation carried out under Regulation 62 of the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 2013 was as at 31 March 2016. This valuation revealed that the Fund's assets, which at 31 March 2016 were valued at £2,277m, were sufficient to meet 78% of the liabilities (i.e. the present value of promised retirement benefits) accrued up to that date. The resulting deficit at the 2016 valuation was £625m.

Each employer had contribution requirements set at the valuation, with the aim of achieving full funding within a time horizon and probability measure as per the FSS. Individual employers' contributions for the period 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2020 were set in accordance with the Fund's funding policy as set out in its FSS.

### Principal Actuarial Assumptions and Method used to value the liabilities

Full details of the methods and assumptions used are described in the 2016 valuation report.

#### Method

The liabilities were assessed using an accrued benefits method which takes into account pensionable membership up to the valuation date, and makes an allowance for expected future salary growth to retirement or expected earlier date of leaving pensionable membership.

# **Actuarial Information (continued)**

#### Assumptions

A market-related approach was taken to valuing the liabilities, for consistency with the valuation of the Fund assets at their market value.

The key financial assumptions adopted for the 2016 valuation were as follows:

Financial assumptions	31 March 2016
Discount rate	4.0%
Salary increase assumption	2.4%
Benefit increase assumption (CPI)	2.1%

The key demographic assumption was the allowance made for longevity. The life expectancy assumptions are based on the Fund's VitaCurves with improvements in line with the CMI 2013 model, assuming the current rate of improvements has reached a peak and will converge to long term rate of 1.25% p.a. Based on these assumptions, the average future life expectancies at age 65 are as follows:

	Males	Females
Current Pensioners	22.4 years	24.4 years
Future Pensioners*	24.0 years	26.3 years

\*Aged 45 at the 2016 Valuation

Copies of the 2016 valuation report and Funding Strategy Statement are available on request from the Administering Authority to the Fund.

#### Experience over the period since 31 March 2016

Since the last formal valuation, real bond yields have fallen placing a higher value on the liabilities but there have been strong asset returns over the 3 years. Both events are of broadly similar magnitude with regards to the impact on the funding position.

The next actuarial valuation will be carried out as at 31 March 2019. The Funding Strategy Statement will also be reviewed at that time.

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Geoff Nathan FFA For and on behalf of Hymans Robertson LLP 12 April 2019 Hymans Robertson LLP 20 Waterloo Street, Glasgow, G2 6DB

# **Actuarial Information (continued)**

### **Extract from the Actuarial Valuation Report**

#### **Executive Summary**

We have carried out an actuarial valuation of the Cambridgeshire Pension Fund ("the Fund") as at 31 March 2016. The results are presented in this report and are briefly summarised below.

#### **Funding Position**

The table below summarises the financial position of the Fund at 31 March 2016 in respect of benefits earned by members up to this date (along with a comparison at the last formal valuation at 31 March 2013).

Past Service Position	31 March 2013 (£m)	31 March 2016 (£m)
Past Service Liabilities	2,633	2,388
Market Value of Assets	1,905	1,871
Surplus/(Deficit)	(728)	(517)
Funding Level	72%	78%

The improvement in funding position between 2013 and 2016 is mainly due to strong investment performance over the inter-valuation period, coupled with the positive impact on the liabilities of actual pay and benefit growth being lower than expect

#### **Contribution Rates**

The table below summarises the whole fund Primary and Secondary Contribution rates at this triennial valuation. The Primary rate is the payroll weighted average of the underlying individual employer primary rates and the Secondary rate is the total of the underlying individual employer secondary rates (before any pre-payment or capitalisation of future contributions), calculated in accordance with the Regulations and CIPFA guidance.

Primary Rate (% of pay)	Secondary Rate (£)			
1 April 17 – 31 March 20	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	
18.1%	£26,039,000	£17,959,000	£18,355,000	

The Primary rate also includes an allowance of 0.6% of pensionable pay for the Fund's expenses. The average employee contribution rate is 6.3% of pensionable pay.

At the previous formal valuation at 31 March 2013, a different regulatory regime was in force. Therefore a contribution rate that is directly comparative to the rates above is not provided. Broadly, contributions required to be made by employers in respect of new benefits earned by members (the primary contribution rate) have increased as future expected investment returns have fallen. Changes to employer contributions targeted to fund the deficit have been variable across employers.

The minimum contributions to be paid by each employer from 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2020 are shown in the Rates and Adjustment Certificate.

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## **Fund Account**

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Notes on pages 49 to 78 form part of the financial statements.

## **Net Asset Statement**

31-Mar-18 £000		Notes	31-Mar-19 £000
2,916,032	Investment assets Investment liabilities		3,177,716 (345)
2,916,032	Total net investments	14	3,177,371
57,564 (5,554)	Current assets Current liabilities	21 23	18,068 (3,477)
52,010	Net Current Assets		14,591
1,264	Non-current assets	22	632
2,969,306	Net assets of the Fund available to fund benefits at the end of the reporting period	17a	3,192,594

Notes on pages 49 to 78 form part of the financial statements.

Note: The Fund's financial statements do not take account of the liabilities to pay pensions and other benefits after the period end. The actuarial present value of promised retirement benefits is disclosed at Note 20.

## **Notes to the Pension Fund Accounts**

## **1. DESCRIPTION OF THE FUND**

The Cambridgeshire County Council Fund is part of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) and is administered by Cambridgeshire County Council. The County Council is the reporting entity for this Pension Fund. The following description of the Fund is a summary only. For more detail, reference should be made to the Annual Report 2018-19 on pages 1 to 43 and the underlying statutory powers underpinning the scheme.

### General

The Fund is governed by the Public Services Pensions Act 2013. The Fund is administered in accordance with the following secondary legislation:

- the LGPS Regulations 2013 (as amended);
- the LGPS (Transitional Provisions, Savings and Amendments) Regulations 2014 (as amended);
- the LGPS (Management and Investment of Funds) Regulations 2016. The Fund is a contributory defined benefit pension scheme administered by Cambridgeshire County Council to provide pensions and other benefits for pensionable employees of Cambridgeshire County Council, the district councils in Cambridgeshire, and a range of other scheduled and admitted bodies within the county area. Teachers, police officers and fire-fighters are not included as they come within other national pension schemes.

The Fund is overseen by the Cambridgeshire Pension Fund Committee, which is a committee of Cambridgeshire County Council.

## Membership

Membership of the LGPS is voluntary and employees are free to choose whether to join the scheme, remain in the scheme or make their own personal arrangements outside the scheme. Organisations participating in the Cambridgeshire Pension Fund include:

- Scheduled bodies local authorities and similar bodies whose staff are automatically entitled to be members of the Fund;
- Admitted bodies other organisations that participate in the Fund under an admission agreement between the Fund and the relevant organisation. Admitted bodies include voluntary, charitable and similar bodies or private contractors undertaking a local authority function following outsourcing to the private sector.

As at 31 March 2019 there are 254 (2018: 206) active employers within the Cambridgeshire Pension Fund, including the County Council itself. The Fund has over 82k, individual members, as detailed below:

	31-Mar-18	31-Mar-19
Number of employers with active		
members	206	254
Number of employees in scheme:		
County council	9,726	9,829
Other employers	17,771	19,147
Total	27,497	28,976
Number of Pensioners:		
County council	8,352	8,410
Other employers	9,702	10,365
Total	18,054	18,775
Deferred pensioners:		
County council	16,962	12,719
Other employers	18,303	14,940
Total	35,265	27,659
Undecided Leavers:		
County council	*	3,233
Other employers	*	4,266
		7,499
Total members	80,816	82,909

\*included in deferred pensioners at 31 March 2018

### Funding

Benefits are funded by contributions and investment earnings. Contributions are made by active members of the Fund in accordance with the LGPS Regulations 2013 and range from 5.5% to 12.5% of pensionable pay for the financial year ended 31 March 2019. Employers' contributions are set based on triennial actuarial funding valuations. The last such valuation was at 31 March 2016. Employers' contributions comprise a percentage rate on active payroll between 11% and 25.1% and deficit payments of fixed cash amounts set for each employer as part of the triennial funding valuation.

### Benefits

Prior to 1 April 2014, pension benefits under the LGPS were based on final pensionable pay and length of pensionable service, summarised below:

	Service pre 1 April 2008	Service 1 April 2008 to 31 March 2014
Pension	Each year worked is worth 1/80 x final pensionable salary.	Each year worked is worth 1/60 x final pensionable salary.
Lump Sum	Automatic lump sum of 3 x pension. In addition, part of the annual pension can be exchanged for a one-off tax-free cash payment. A lump sum of £12 is paid for each £1 of pension given up.	No automatic lump sum. Part of the annual pension can be exchanged for a one- off tax-free cash payment. A lump sum of £12 is paid for each £1 of pension given up.

### **Career Average Revalued Earnings (CARE)**

From 1 April 2014, the scheme became a career average scheme, whereby members accrue benefits based upon their pensionable pay in that year at an accrual rate of 1/49th or 1/98th for those members who have taken up the 50/50 option and pay proportionately lower contributions. Accrued pension is updated annually in line with the Consumer Price Index. There are a range of other benefits provided under the scheme including early retirement, disability pensions and death benefits. For more details, please refer to the Cambridgeshire Pension Fund scheme handbook available from LGSS Pension Services based at One Angel Square, Angel Street, Northampton NN1 1ED.

## **2. BASIS OF PREPARATION**

The Statement of Accounts summarises the Fund's transactions for the 2018-19 financial year and its position at year-end as at 31 March 2019. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom 2018-19 which is based upon International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), as amended for the UK public sector.

Paragraph 3.3.1.2 of the Code requires disclosure of any accounting standards issued but not yet adopted. No such accounting standards have been identified for 2018-19.

The accounts summarise the transactions of the Fund and report on the net assets available to pay pension benefits. They do not take account of obligations to pay pensions and benefits which fall due after the end of the financial year, nor do they take into account the actuarial present value of promised retirement benefits. The Code gives administering authorities the option to disclose this information in the net assets statement, in the notes to the accounts or by appending an actuarial report prepared for this purpose. The pension fund has opted to disclose this information in Note 20. The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

## **3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

### Fund Account – Revenue Recognition

### **Contribution Income**

Normal contributions, both from the members and from the employer, are accounted for on an accruals basis at the percentage rate recommended by the actuary in the payroll period to which they relate.

Employer deficit funding contributions are accounted for on the due date on which they are payable under the schedule of contributions set by the scheme actuary or on receipt if earlier than the due date.

Employers' augmentation contributions and pensions strain contributions are accounted for in the period in which the liability arises. Any amount due in the year but unpaid will be classed as a current financial asset. Amounts not due until future years are classed as long-term financial assets.

### **Transfers to and from Other Schemes**

Transfer values represent the amounts received and paid during the year for members who have either joined or left the Fund during the financial year and are calculated in accordance with the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations in Notes 8 and 10.

Individual transfers in/out are accounted for on a cash basis.

Transfers in from members wishing to use the proceeds of their additional voluntary contributions (see below) to purchase scheme benefits are accounted for on an accruals basis and are included in Transfers In as set out in Note 8. Bulk (group) transfers are accounted for on an accruals basis in accordance with the terms of the transfer agreement.

### **Investment Income**

### i) Interest income

Interest income is recognised in the Fund Account as it accrues, using the effective interest rate of the financial instrument as at the date of acquisition or origination. Income includes the amortisation of any discount or premium, transaction costs (where material) or other differences between the initial carrying amount of the instrument and its amount at maturity calculated on an effective interest rate basis.

### ii) Dividend income

Dividend income is recognised on the date the shares are quoted exdividend. Any amount not received by the end of the reporting period is disclosed in the Net Assets Statement as a current financial asset.

### *iii)* Distributions from pooled funds

Distributions from pooled funds are recognised at the date of issue. Any amount not received by the end of the reporting period is disclosed in the Net Assets Statement as a current financial asset.

### *iv)* Movement in the net market value of investments

Changes in the net market value of investments are recognised as income or expense and comprise all realised and unrealised profits/losses during the year.

### **Investment Income (Continued)**

### Stock lending

Stock lending income is recognised in the Fund Account as it accrues. Stock lending income represents the transfer of securities by the Pension Fund to an approved counterparty ("Borrower"), against a receipt of collateral (non-cash), for a fee, subject to the obligation by that same counterparty to redeliver the same or similar securities back to the Lender at a future date. Securities on loan remain assets of the Fund and are recorded in the net assets statement at fair value.

### Fund Account – Expense Items

### **Benefits Payable**

Pensions and lump-sum benefits payable include all amounts known to be due as at the end of the financial year. Any amounts due but unpaid are disclosed in the Net Assets Statement as current liabilities and paid in the following month.

### Taxation

The Fund is a registered public service scheme under section 1(1) of Schedule 36 of the Finance Act 2004 and as such is exempt from UK income tax on interest received and from capital gains tax on the proceeds of investments sold. Income from overseas investments suffers withholding tax in the country of origin, unless exemption is permitted. Irrecoverable tax is accounted for as a Fund expense as it arises.

### **Management Expenses**

The Fund discloses its pension fund management expenses in accordance with CIPFA's Accounting for Local Government Pension Scheme Management Expenses (2016).

### **Administrative Expenses**

All administrative expenses are accounted for on an accruals basis. All staff costs of the pension's administration team are charged to the Fund. Associated management, accommodation and other overheads are apportioned to this activity and charged as expenses to the Fund in accordance with Council policy.

### **Oversight and Governance Costs**

All oversight and governance expenses are accounted for on an accruals basis. All staff costs associated with governance and oversight are charged direct to the Fund. Associated management, accommodation and other overheads are apportioned to this activity and charged as expenses to the Fund in accordance with Council policy.

### **Investment Management Expenses**

Investment Management expenses are accounted for on an accruals basis.

Fees of external Investment Managers and the Custodian are agreed in the respective mandates governing their appointments. Broadly, these are based on the market value of the investments under their management and therefore increase or reduce as the value of these investments change. In addition the Fund has negotiated with the following managers that an element of their fee be performance related:

■ JO Hambro Capital Management – Global Equities

Where an Investment Manager's fee note has not been received by the year end date, an estimate based upon the market value of their mandate as at the end of the year is used for inclusion in the Fund Account. In 2018-19, £1.6m of fees are based upon such estimates (2017-18: £ 1.5m). In addition, manager fees deducted from pooled funds of £7.2m (2017-18: £7.9m) are estimated based upon information received from Investment Managers.

The cost of obtaining investment advice from external consultants is charged direct to the Fund. All staff costs associated with investment activity are charged direct to the Fund. Associated management, accommodation and other overheads are apportioned to this activity and charged to the Fund.

#### Net Assets Statement

#### **Financial Assets**

Financial assets are included in the Net Assets Statement on a fair value basis, except for loans and receivables.

Loans and receivables are assets for which the amounts receivable are fixed and determinable and where the Fund has not designated the asset at fair value through profit and loss. This includes contributions owing from employers and cash deposits. Loans and receivables are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost. A financial asset is recognised in the Net Assets Statement on the date the Fund becomes party to the contractual acquisition of the asset.

Investment assets, including those within the ACCESS asset pool, but excluding cash held by Investment Managers on the Fund's behalf, are initially recognised at fair value and are subsequently measured at fair value with gains and losses recognised in the Fund Account. The values of investments as shown in the net assets statement have been determined at fair value in accordance with the requirements of the Code and IFRS13 (see Note 16). For the purposes of disclosing levels of fair value hierarchy, the Fund has adopted the classification guidelines recommended in Practical Guidance on Investment Disclosures (PRAG/Investment Association, 2016).

### **Foreign Currency Transactions**

Dividends, interest and purchases and sales of investments in foreign currencies have been accounted for at the spot market rates at the date of transaction. Endof-year spot market exchange rates are used to value cash balances held in foreign currency bank accounts, market values of overseas investments and purchases and sales outstanding at the end of the reporting period.

### Derivatives

The Fund uses derivative financial instruments to manage its exposure to specific risks arising from its investment activities. The Fund does not hold derivatives for speculative purposes (see Note 15).

### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash comprises cash in hand and demand deposits and includes amounts held by the Fund's external managers.

Cash equivalents are short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and that are subject to minimal risk of changes in value.

#### **Financial Liabilities**

The Fund initially recognises financial liabilities at fair value and subsequently measure them at amortised cost. A financial liability is recognised in the net assets statement on the date the Fund becomes party to the liability.

#### **Actuarial Present Value of Promised Retirement Benefits**

The actuarial present value of promised retirement benefits is assessed on a triennial basis by the scheme actuary in accordance with the requirements of IAS 19 and relevant actuarial standards. As permitted under the Code, the Fund has opted to disclose the actuarial present value of promised retirement benefits by way of a note to the net assets statement (see Note 20).

### **Additional Voluntary Contributions**

The Fund provides an additional voluntary contributions (AVC) scheme for its members, the assets of which are invested separately from those of the Pension Fund. The Fund has appointed Prudential and Equitable Life as its AVC providers. AVCs are deducted from the individual member's pay and paid to the AVC provider by employers and are specifically for providing additional benefits for individual contributors. Each AVC contributor receives an annual statement showing the amount held in their account and the movements in the year.

AVCs are not included in the accounts, in accordance with section 4(1)(b) of the Local Government Pension Scheme (Management and Investment of Funds) Regulations 2016, but are disclosed as a note only (see Note 24).

### **Contingent Assets and Liabilities**

A contingent liability arises where an event has taken place prior to the yearend giving rise to a possible financial obligation whose existence will only be confirmed or otherwise by the occurrence of future events. Contingent liabilities can also arise in circumstances where a provision would be made, except that it is not possible at the balance sheet date to measure the value of the financial obligation reliably.

A contingent asset arises where an event has taken place giving rise to a possible asset whose existence will only be confirmed or otherwise by the occurrence of future events.

Contingent assets and liabilities are not recognised in the net assets statement but are disclosed by way of a narrative in the notes.

### Accounting Standards Issued, not Adopted

The Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom 2018 – 2019 requires the disclosure of information relating to the expected impact of changes that will be required by a new standard that has been introduced but not yet adopted. There are no such standards which would materially impact the Fund.

## 4. CRITICAL JUDGEMENT IN APPLYING ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## **Pension Fund Liability**

The net pension fund liability is recalculated every three years by the appointed actuary, with annual updates in the intervening years. The methodology used is in line with accepted guidelines.

The estimated liability is subject to significant variances based on changes to the underlying assumptions which are agreed with the actuary and have been summarised in Note 19.

Actuarial revaluations are used to set future contribution rates and underpin the Fund's most significant Investment Management policies, for example in terms of the balance struck between longer term investment growth and short-term investment yield/return.

## 5. ASSUMPTIONS MADE ABOUT THE FUTURE AND OTHER MAJOR SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported for assets and liabilities at the Balance Sheet date and the amounts reported for the revenues and expenses during the year. Estimates and assumptions are made taking into account historical experience, current trends and other relevant factors. However, the nature of estimation means that the actual outcomes could differ from the assumptions and estimates.

The items in the Net Assets Statement as 31 March 2019 for which there is a significant risk of material adjustment in the forthcoming financial year are as follows:

### Actuarial Present Value of Promised Retirement Benefits

**Uncertainties:** Estimation of the net liability to pay pensions depends on a number of complex judgements relating to the discount rate used, the rate at which salaries are projected to increase, changes in retirement ages, mortality rates and expected returns on pension fund assets. A firm of consulting actuaries is engaged to provide the Fund with expert advice about the assumptions to be applied.

**Effect if actual results differ from assumptions:** The effects on the net pension liability of changes in individual assumptions can be measured. For instance, a 0.5% movement in the discount rate assumption would result in an increase or decrease in the pension liability of £516m, with a 0.5%. A 0.5% movement in assumed earnings inflation would increase or decrease the value of liabilities by approximately £69m, and a one-year increase in assumed life expectancy would approximately increase the liabilities by between 3-5%.

### Cambridge and Counties Bank

**Uncertainties:** Cambridge and Counties Bank is not publicly listed and as such there is a degree of estimation involved in the valuation. The Pension Fund has appointed an independent, professional valuer to advise a suitable valuation. The Fund's investment is valued on a market based approach with reference to price/earnings and price to book of comparable public companies.

**Effect if actual results differ from assumptions:** The investment in the financial statements is £81.1m.There is a risk that this investment may be under or overstated in the accounts. As set out in the independent, professional valuation report, the valuation of the Cambridge and Counties Bank is in the range of £80.6m to £81.7m. The mid-point of this valuation range has been applied within the Fund's accounts.

### Other Private Equity and Infrastructure

**Uncertainties:** All other private equity and infrastructure investments are valued at fair value. These investments are not publicly listed and as such there is a degree of estimation involved in the valuation. See Note 16a.

**Effect if actual results differ from assumptions:** Total private equity and infrastructure investments (excluding Cambridge and Counties Bank – see above) at fair value in the financial statements are £282.8m. There is a risk that this investment may be under or overstated in the accounts. Note 18 gives a price sensitivity of Alternative investments of 24.7%, which indicates that Other private equity and infrastructure values may range from £352.7m to £212.9m.

## 6. EVENTS AFTER THE BALANCE SHEET DATE

There have been no events since 31 March 2019, and up to the date when these accounts were authorised that require any adjustments to these accounts.

## 7. CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVABLE

### By category:

by category.		
2017-18		2018-19
£000		£000
25,322	Employees' contributions	26,427
	Employers' contributions:	
82,290	Normal contributions	84,341
20,798	Deficit recovery contributions	13,804
103,088	Total employers' contributions	98,145
128,410		124,572

#### By authority:

2017-18		2018-19
£000		£000
38,591	Administering Authority	27,027
82,374	Scheduled bodies	91,122
7,445	Admitted bodies	6,423
128,410		124,572

## 8. TRANSFERS IN FROM OTHER PENSION FUNDS

2017-18		2018-19
£000		£000
4,932	Individual transfers	4,882
4,932		4,882

## 9. BENEFITS PAYABLE

By category:		
2017-18		2018-19
£000		£000
78,846	Pensions	84,204
18,573	Commutation and lump sum retirement benefits	19,244
1,926	Lump sum death benefits	2,811
99,345		106,259

### By authority:

2017-18 £000		2018-19 £000
39,324	Administering Authority	36,750
51,707	Scheduled Bodies	60,117
8,314	Admitted Bodies	9,392
99,345		106,259

## **10. PAYMENTS TO AND ON ACCOUNT OF LEAVERS**

2017-18 £000		2018-19 £000
358	Refunds to members leaving service	400
-	Group transfers	4,732
9,768	Individual transfers	6,039
10,126		11,171

## **11. MANAGEMENT EXPENSES**

2017-18		2018-19
£000		£000
2,277	Administrative costs	2,018
14,502	Investment management expenses	14,544
175	Oversight and governance costs	327
16,954		16,889
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Fees payable to External Auditors, included within Oversight and governance costs, were £17k during the year (2017-18 £22k).

## **12. INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT EXPENSES**

2017-18 £000		2018-19 £000
12,233	Management fees	11,904
524	Performance related fees	1,068
1,212	Transaction costs	606
533	Other costs	966
14,502		14,544

## **13. INVESTMENT INCOME**

2017-18 £000		2018-19 £000
421	Income from bonds	424
15,633	Income from equities	18,775
9,952	Pooled investments – unit trusts and other managed funds	14,461
6,747	Pooled Property Investments	7,277
4,733	Private equity/infrastructure income	4,001
441	Interest on cash deposits	360
215	Other – securities lending income	195
38,142		45,493

## **14. INVESTMENTS**

31-Mar-18 £000		31-Mar-19 £000
	Investment assets	
74,578	Bonds	79,206
371,765	Equities	377,322
1,953,899	Pooled investments	2,086,961
206,671	Pooled property investments	236,858
274,393	Private equity/infrastructure	363,874
31,191	Cash deposits	27,593
3,535	Investment income due	3,992
-	Amounts receivable for sales	1,910
2,916,032	Total investment assets	3,177,716
-	Investment liabilities Amounts payable for purchases	(345)

-	Amounts payable for purchases	(545)
-	Total investment liabilities	(345)
2,916,032	Net investment assets	3,177,371

## 14(a). RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN INVESTMENTS AND DERIVATIVES

	Market value 1-Apr-18	Purchases during the year and derivative payments*	Sales during the year and derivative receipts*	Change in market value during the year	Market value 31-Mar-19
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Bonds	74,578	702	-	3,926	79,206
Equities	371,765	66,282	(63,531)	2,806	377,322
Pooled investments	1,953,899	1,310,227	(1,316,014)	138,849	2,086,961
Pooled property investments	206,671	45,324	(21,495)	6,358	236,858
Private equity/infrastructure	274,393	95,027	(35,645)	30,099	363,874
	2,881,306	1,517,562	(1,436,685)	182,038	3,144,221
Derivative contracts:					
<ul> <li>Forward Currency Contracts</li> </ul>	-	6	(15)	9	-
	2,881,306	1,517,568	(1,436,700)	182,047	3,144,221
Other investment balances:*					
Cash deposits	31,191			723	27,593
<ul> <li>Investment income due</li> </ul>	3,535			-	3,992
<ul> <li>Amounts receivable from sales of investments</li> </ul>	-			-	1,910
<ul> <li>Spot FX contracts</li> </ul>	-			(25)	-
<ul> <li>Amounts payable for purchases of investments</li> </ul>	-			-	(345)
Net investment assets*	2,916,032			182,745	3,177,371
				Note 17a	

\*Other investment balances and Net investment assets do not add across as purchases, sales and other movements are not disclosed here, in accordance with CIPFA guidance.

## 14(a). RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN INVESTMENTS AND DERIVATIVES (CONTINUED)

	Market value 1-Apr-17	Purchases during the year and derivative payments*	Sales during the year and derivative receipts*	Change in market value during the year	Market value 31-Mar-18
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Bonds	74,590	-	-	(12)	74,578
Equities	357,733	45,642	(26,329)	(5,281)	371,765
Pooled investments	1,898,748	216,414	(196,223)	34,960	1,953,899
Pooled property investments	192,549	15,113	(19,066)	18,075	206,671
Private equity/infrastructure	246,179	57,023	(53 <i>,</i> 442)	24,633	274,393
	2,769,799	334,192	(295,060)	72,375	2,881,306
Derivative contracts:					
<ul> <li>Forward Currency Contracts</li> </ul>	-	18	-	(18)	-
	2,769,799	334,210	(295,060)	72,357	2,881,306
Other investment balances:*					
Cash deposits	41,910			(1,310)	31,191
<ul> <li>Investment income due</li> </ul>	2,714			-	3,535
<ul> <li>Spot FX contracts</li> </ul>	-			(49)	-
<ul> <li>Amounts payable for purchases of investments</li> </ul>	(1,137)			-	-
Net investment assets*	2,813,286			70,998	2,916,032

\*Other investment balances and Net investment assets do not add across as purchases, sales and other movements are not disclosed here, in accordance with CIPFA guidance.

## 14(b). ANALYSIS OF INVESTMENTS

31-Mar-18 £000		31-Mar-19 £000
	Bonds	
74,578	<b>UK</b> – Public sector quoted	79,206
74,578	·	79,206
	Equities	
357,135	UK - Quoted	357,667
14,630	Overseas - Quoted	19,655
371,765		377,322
	Pooled funds – additional analysis	
68,404	UK - Fixed income	70,173
257,953	<b>UK -</b> Equity	70,343
228,902	Overseas - Fixed income	226,543
1,380,326	Overseas - Equity	1,718,324
18,314	Overseas - Cash Fund	1,578
1,953,899		2,086,961
206,671	Pooled property investments	236,858
274,393	Private equity/ infrastructure	363,874
481,064		600,732
31,191	Cash deposits	27,593
3,535	Investment income due	3,992
-	Amounts receivable from sales	1,910
34,726		33,495
2,916,032	Total investment assets	3,177,716
	Investment liabilities	
-	Amounts payable for purchases	(345)
-	Total investment liabilities	(345)
2,916,032	Net investment assets	3,177,371

## 14(c). INVESTMENTS ANALYSED BY FUND MANAGER

Market value 31-Mar-18			Market v	alue 31-Mar-19
£000	% of net		£000	% of net
	investment asset	S		investment assets
Investments managed	ged by ACCESS ass	set pool:		
-	-	Link Fund Solutions - ACCESS Global Stock Fund	498,776	15.7
Investments mana	ged outside of AC	CESS asset pool:		
67,151	2.3	Adams Street Partners	80,458	2.5
-	-	Allianz Global Investors	12,447	0.4
9,575	0.3	AMP Capital	19,209	0.6
65,850	2.3	Cambridge and Counties Bank	81,100	2.6
10,000	0.3	Cambridge Building Society	14,913	0.5
472,147	16.2	Dodge & Cox Worldwide Investments	-	-
32,669	1.1	Equitix Investment Management	33,341	1.0
46,647	1.6	HarbourVest Partners (UK)	58,546	1.8
472,488	16.2	JO Hambro Capital Management	524,841	16.5
59,054	2.0	M&G Investments	60,888	1.9
-	-	M&G Real Estate	9,759	0.3
26,527	0.9	Partners Group (UK)	37,370	1.2
918,053	31.5	Schroders Investment Management	946,737	29.9
693,644	23.8	UBS Global Asset Management	765,050	24.1
16,339	0.6	UBS Infrastructure	16,742	0.5
25,888	0.9	Cash with custodian	17,194	0.5
2,916,032	100.0		3,177,371	100.0

All the above companies are registered in the United Kingdom.

The following investments represent more than 5% of the net assets of the scheme:

Security	Market value 31-Mar-18	% of total fund	Market value 31-Mar-19	% of total fund
	£000	%	£000	%
JO Hambro Capital Management Global Select Fund Sterling Z shares	472,488	15.9	509,096	15.94
Link Fund Solutions - ACCESS Global Stock	-	-	498,776	15.62
UBS Global Asset Life North American Equity Tracker	-	-	180,827	5.66
Schroders International Selection Fund – Strategic Bond	169,848	5.7	165,656	5.19

## 14(d). STOCK LENDING

The Fund's Investment Strategy sets the parameters for the Fund's stock-lending programme. At 31 March 2019, the value of quoted equities on loan was £66.2m (31 March 2018: £92.7m). These equities continue to be recognised in the Fund's financial statements. Counterparty risk is managed through holding collateral at the Fund's custodian. At the year end the custodian held collateral at fair value of £71.4m (31 March 2018: £99.3m) representing 108% of stock lent. Collateral consists of acceptable securities and government debt.

## **15. ANALYSIS OF DERIVATIVES**

### **Objectives and Policies for Holding Derivatives**

Most of the holding in derivatives is to hedge liabilities or hedge exposures to reduce risk in the Fund. Derivatives may be used to gain exposure to an asset more efficiently than holding the underlying asset. The use of derivatives is managed in line with the Investment Management Agreement (IMA) agreed between the Fund and the various Investment Managers.

### Futures

The economic exposure represents the notional value of stock purchased under futures contracts and is therefore subject to market movements. There were no outstanding exchange traded future contracts at 31 March 2019 or 31 March 2018.

### Forward Foreign Currency

To maintain appropriate diversification and to take advantage of overseas investment returns, a significant proportion of the Fund's quoted equity portfolio is in overseas stock markets. To reduce the volatility associated with fluctuating currency rates, the Fund's Investment Managers enter into forward foreign currency contracts to take advantage of current exchange rates. There were no open forward currency contracts at 31 March 2019 or 31 March 2018.

### Options

In order to minimise the risk of loss of value through adverse equity price movements, equity option contracts can protect the Fund from falls in value in its main investment markets, principally the UK, USA and Europe. There were no outstanding option contracts at 31 March 2019 or 31 March 2018.

## **16. FAIR VALUE**

## **16a. FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY**

### Valuation of Financial Instruments Carried At Fair Value

Asset and liability valuations have been classified into three levels, according to the quality and reliability of information used to determine fair values. Transfers between levels are recognised in the year in which they occur. The Fund has adopted the classification guidelines recommended in the Practical Guidelines on Investment Disclosures (PRAG/Investment Association, 2016).

**Level 1** Assets and liabilities at Level 1 are those where the fair values are derived from unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. Products classified as level 1 comprise quoted equities, quoted fixed securities, quoted index-linked securities and unit trusts.

Level 2 Assets and liabilities at Level 2 are those where quoted market prices are not available; for example, where an instrument is traded in a market that is not considered to be active, or where valuation techniques are used to determine fair value. The price used is based upon inputs from observable market data. Level 3 Assets and liabilities at Level 3 are those where at least one input that could have a significant effect on the instrument's valuation is not based on observable market data.

The values of the investment in private equity are based on valuations provided by the general partners to the private equity funds in which the Cambridgeshire Fund has invested. These valuations are prepared in accordance with the International Private Equity and Venture Capital Valuation Guidelines 2015, which follow the valuation principles of IFRS and US GAAP. Valuations are usually undertaken annually at the end of December. Cash flow adjustments are used to roll forward the valuations to 31 March as appropriate. There has been no change in the valuation techniques used for individual investments during the year.

The following tables analyses the financial assets and liabilities of the Pension Fund grouped into levels 1 to 3, based on the level at which the fair value is observable:

Values at 31 March 2019	Level 1 £000	Level 2 £000	Level 3 £000	Total £000
Financial assets				
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	458,106	2,163,820	522,295	3,144,221
Total financial assets	458,106	2,163,820	522,295	3,144,221
Values at 31 March 2018	Level 1 £000	Level 2 £000	Level 3 £000	Total £000
Values at 31 March 2018 Financial assets				

All assets have been valued using fair value techniques which represent the highest and best price available at the reporting date. The fair valuation of each class of investment asset is set out below.

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Description of asset	Valuation hierarchy	Basis of valuation	Observable and unobservable inputs	Key sensitivities affecting the valuations provided
Market quoted investments	Level 1	Published bid market price ruling on the final day of the account period	Not required	Not required
Quoted bonds	Level1	Fixed interest securities valued at a market value based on current yields	Not required	Not required
Exchange traded pooled investments	Level 1	Closing bid value on published exchanges	Not required	Not required
Pooled investments – not exchange traded open ended funds	Level 2	Closing bid and offer prices are published. Closing single price where a single price is published	NAV based pricing set on a forward pricing basis.	Not required
Pooled investments – not exchange traded closed ended funds	Level 3	Closing bid and offer prices are published. Closing single price where a single price is published	NAV based pricing set on a forward pricing basis.	Valuations could be affected by material events occurring between the date of the financial statements provided and the Fund's own reporting date and lack of liquidity.
Private equity and infrastructure- equity	Level 3	Comparable valuation of similar companies	Price/Earnings or EBITDA multiple	Valuations could be affected by material events occurring between the date of the financial statements provided and the Fund's own reporting date.
Private equity and infrastructure - other	Level 3	Comparable valuation of similar companies in accordance with International Private Equity and Venture Capital Valuation Guidelines (2012)	Share of net assets	Valuations could be affected by material events occurring between the date of the financial statements provided and the Fund's own reporting date, and by any differences between audited and unaudited accounts.

## Sensitivity of Assets Valued at Level 3

Having analysed historical data and current market trends, and consulted with independent investment Advisors, the Fund has determined that the valuation methods described above are likely to be accurate within the following ranges, and has set out below the consequent potential impact on the closing value of investments held at 31 March 2019.

Asset Type	Value as at 31-Mar-19 £000	Assessed valuation range (+/-)	Value on Increase £000	Value on Decrease £000
Property	168,180	14.3%	192,230	144,130
Private Equity	354,115	24.7%	441,490	266,740
Total Assets	522,295		633,720	410,870

## 16(b). RECONCILIATION OF FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS WITHIN LEVEL 3

Period 2018-19	Market value 1-Apr- 2018	Purchases during the year and derivative payments	Sales during the year and derivative receipts	Unrealised gains/ (losses)	Realised gains/ (losses)	Market value 31-Mar-2019
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Pooled property investments	139,497	36,990	(13,160)	4,055	798	168,180
Private equity and infrastructure - equity	65,850	20,500	-	(5,250)	-	81,100
Private equity and infrastructure - other	208,543	64,768	(35,645)	17,915	17,434	273,015
Total	413,890	122,258	(48,805)	16,720	18,232	522,295

There were no transfers between levels during the year, and the movements noted above relate to additions or disposals of assets, and gains and losses. Unrealised and realised gains and losses are recognised in the changes in value of investments line of the Fund Account.

## **17. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS 17a. CLASSIFICATION OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

The following table analyses the carrying amounts of financial assets and liabilities by category and net assets statement heading. No financial assets were reclassified during the year.

	31-Mar-18				31-Mar-19	
Fair value	Assets at	Liabilities at		Fair value	Assets at	Liabilities at
through profit	amortised cost	amortised		through profit	amortised cost	amortised cost
and loss		cost		and loss		
£000	£000	£000		£000	£000	£000
			Financial assets			
74,578	-	-	Bonds	79,206	-	-
371,765	-	-	Equities	377,322	-	-
1,953,899	-	-	Pooled investments	2,086,961	-	-
206,671	-	-	Pooled property investments	236,858	-	-
274,393	-	-	Private equity/	363,874	-	-
			infrastructure			
-	-		Derivative contracts	-	-	-
	73,422	-	Cash	-	32,300	-
3,535	-	-	Other investment balances	-	5,902	-
-	16,597	-	Debtors	-	13,993	-
2,884,841	90,019	-		3,144,221	52,195	-
			Financial liabilities			
-	-	-	Derivative contracts	-	-	-
-	-	-	Other investment balances	-	-	(345)
-	-	(5,554)	Creditors	-	-	(3,477)
-	-	(5 <i>,</i> 554)		-	-	(3,822)
2,884,841	90,019	(5,554)	Total	3,144,221	52,195	(3,822)
	2,969,306					3,192,594

## 17b. NET GAINS AND LOSSES ON FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

2017-18		2018-19
£000		£000
	Financial assets:	
72,375	Fair value through profit and loss	182,038
-	Amortised cost – realised gains on de-	723
	recognition of assets	
-	Amortised cost – unrealised gains	-
	Financial liabilities:	
(18)	Fair Value through profit and loss	9
(1,359)	Amortised cost – realised losses on de-	(25)
	recognition of assets	
-	Amortised cost – unrealised losses	-
70,998	Total gains	182,745

## **18. NATURE AND EXTENT OF RISKS ARISING FROM FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

## **Risk and Risk Management**

The Fund's primary long-term risk is that the Fund's assets will fall short of its liabilities (i.e. promised benefits payable to members). Therefore the aim of investment risk management is to minimise the risk of an overall reduction in the value of the Fund and to maximise the opportunity for gains across the whole Fund portfolio. The Fund achieves this through asset diversification to reduce exposure to market risk (price risk, currency risk and interest rate risk) and credit risk to an acceptable level. In addition, the Fund manages its liquidity risk to ensure there is sufficient liquidity to meet the Fund's forecast cash flows. The Council manages these investment risks as part of its overall Pension Fund Risk Management Programme. Responsibility for the Fund's Risk Management Strategy rests with the Pension Fund Committee. Risk management policies are established to identify and analyse the risks faced by the Council's pensions operations. Policies are reviewed regularly to reflect changes in activity and in market conditions.

### Market risk

Market risk is the risk of loss from fluctuations in equity and commodity prices, interest and foreign exchange rates and credit spreads. The Fund is exposed to market risk from its investment activities, particularly through its equity holdings. The level of risk exposure depends on market conditions, expectations of future price and yield movements and the asset mix.

The objective of the Fund's Risk Management Strategy is to identify, manage and control market risk exposure within acceptable parameters, whilst optimising the return on risk.

In general, excessive volatility in market risk is managed through the diversification of the portfolio in terms of geographical and industry sectors and individual securities. To mitigate market risk, the Council and its investment Advisors undertake appropriate monitoring of market conditions and benchmark analysis.

The Fund manages these risks in two ways:

- the exposure of the Fund to market risk is monitored through a factor risk analysis, to ensure that risk remains within tolerable levels
- specific risk exposure is limited by applying risk-weighted maximum exposures to individual investments.

Equity futures contracts and exchange traded option contracts on individual securities may also be used to manage market risk on equity investments. It is possible for over-the-counter equity derivative contracts to be used in exceptional circumstances to manage specific aspects of market risk.

### **Other Price Risk**

Other price risk represents the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk or foreign exchange risk), whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual instrument or its issuer or factors affecting all such instruments in the market.

The Fund is exposed to share and derivative price risk. This arises from investments held by the Fund for which the future price is uncertain. All securities investments present a risk of loss of capital. Except for shares sold short, the maximum risk resulting from financial instruments is determined by the fair value of the financial instruments.

The Fund's Investment Managers mitigate this price risk through diversification and the selection of securities and other financial instruments is monitored by the Council to ensure it is within limits specified in the Fund Investment Strategy.

### **Other Price Risk – Sensitivity Analysis**

Following analysis of historical data and expected investment return movement during the financial year, in consultation with the Fund's investment Advisors, the Council has determined that the following movements in market price risk would have reasonably been possible for the 2018-19 reporting period. The potential price changes disclosed above are broadly consistent with one-standard deviation movement in the value of the assets. The sensitivities are consistent with the assumptions contained in the investment Advisors most recent review. This analysis assumes that all other variables, in particular foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates, remain the same.

Asset Type	Potential Market Movement +/- (%p.a.)
UK equities	16.6%
Overseas equities	16.9%
Global pooled equities	16.9%
Index-linked bonds	9.2%
Pooled fixed interest bonds	10.5%
Property	14.3%
Alternatives	24.7%
Cash and Other investment balances	0.5%

Had the market price of the fund investments increased/decreased in line with the above, the change in the net assets available to pay benefits would have been as follows:

31 March 2019 Asset Type	Value as at 31-Mar-19 £000	% (rounded) Change	Value on Increase £000	Value on Decrease £000
UK equities	428,009	16.6	499,059	356,960
Overseas equities	19,655	16.9	22,976	16,333
Global pooled equities	1,718,325	16.6	2,008,721	1,427,928
Index-linked bonds	79,206	9.2	86,493	71,919
Pooled fixed interest bonds	296,716	10.5	327,871	265,561
Property	236,858	14.3	270,728	202,978
Alternatives	363,874	24.7	453,657	274,092
Cash and Other investment balances	34,728	0.5	34,902	34,555
Total Assets	3,177,371		3,704,407	2,650,326

31 March 2018 Asset Type	Value as at 31-Mar-18 £000	% (rounded) Change	Value on Increase £000	Value on Decrease £000
UK equities	615,088	16.8	718,423	511,753
Overseas equities	14,630	17.9	17,249	12,011
Global pooled equities	1,385,253	17.9	1,633,213	1,137,293
Index-linked bonds	74,578	9.2	81,439	67,717
Pooled fixed interest bonds	297,306	10.2	327,631	266,981
Property	201,744	14.3	230,593	172,895
Alternatives	274,393	25.5	344,363	204,423
Cash and Other investment balances	53,040	0.5	53,305	52,775
Total Assets	2,916,032		3,406,216	2,425,848

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

The Fund invests in financial assets for the primary purpose of obtaining a return on investments. These investments are subject to interest rate risks, which represent the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Fund's interest rate risk is routinely monitored by the Council and its investment consultant in accordance with the Fund's risk management strategy, including monitoring the exposure to interest rates and assessment of actual interest rates against the relevant benchmarks. The Fund's direct exposure to interest rate movements as at 31 March 2019 and 31 March 2018 is set out below. These disclosures present interest rate risk based on the underlying financial assets at fair value.

#### **Interest Rate Risk Sensitivity Analysis**

The Council recognises that interest rates can vary and can affect both income to the Fund and the value of the net assets available to pay benefits. An 80 basis point (BPS) (i.e. 0.80%) movement in interest rates is consistent with the level of sensitivity applied as part of the Fund's risk management strategy. The Fund's investment consultant has advised that long-term average rates are expected to move less than 80 basis points from one year to the next and experience suggests that such movements are likely. The analysis that follows assumes that all other variables, in particular exchange rates, remain constant, and shows the effect in the year on the net assets available to pay benefits of a +/- 100 BPS (1.0%) change in interest rates:

31-Mar-18 £000	Asset Type	31-Mar-19 £000
31,191	Cash and cash equivalents	27,593
42,231	Cash balances	4,707
74,578	Index-linked securities	79,206
297,306	Fixed interest securities	296,716
445,306	Total	408,222

Assets exposed to interest rate risk	Asset values at	Impact of 1% increase	Impact of 1% decrease
	31-Mar-19		
	£000	£000	£000
Cash and cash equivalents	27,593	27,593	27,593
Cash balances	4,707	4,707	4,707
Index-linked securities	79,206	78,414	79,998
Fixed interest securities	296,716	293,749	299,683
Total change in assets available	408,222	404,463	411,981
Exposure to interest rate risk	Asset values at	Impact of 1% increase	Impact of 1% decrease
	31-Mar-18		
	£000	£000	£000
Cash and cash equivalents	31,191	31,191	31,191
Cash balances	42,231	42,231	42,231
Index-linked securities	74,578	73,832	75,324
Fixed interest securities	297,306	294,333	300,279
Total change in assets available	445,306	441,587	449,025

f000f000Cash deposits, cash and cash equivalents360364356Index-linked securities424428420Fixed interest securities3,5983,5983,598Total4,3824,3904,374	Exposure to interest rate risk	Interest receivable 2018-19	Value on 1% increase	Value on 1% decrease
Index-linked securities         424         428         420           Fixed interest securities         3,598         3,598         3,598		£000	£000	£000
Fixed interest securities <b>3,598</b> 3,598         3,598	Cash deposits, cash and cash equivalents	360	364	356
	Index-linked securities	424	428	420
Total 4,382 4,390 4,374	Fixed interest securities	3,598	3,598	3,598
	Total	4,382	4,390	4,374
Exposure to interest rate riskInterest receivableValue on 1% increaseValue on 1% decrease	Exposure to interest rate risk	Interest receivable	Value on 1% increase	Value on 1% decrease
2017-18		2017-18		
£000 £000 £000		£000	£000	£000
Cash deposits, cash and cash equivalents 441 445 437	Cash deposits, cash and cash equivalents	441	445	437
Index-linked securities <b>421</b> 425 417	Index-linked securities	421	425	417
Fixed interest securities4,0444,044	Fixed interest securities	4,044	4,044	4,044
Total 4,906 4,914 4,898	Total	4,906	4,914	4,898

This analysis demonstrates that a 1% increase in interest rates will not affect the interest received on fixed interest assets but will reduce their fair value, and vice versa. Changes in interest rates do not impact on the value of cash and cash equivalent balances but they will affect the interest income received on those balances. Changes to both the fair value of the assets and the income received from investments impact on the net assets available to pay benefits.

### **Currency Risk**

Currency risk represents the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The Fund is exposed to currency risk on financial instruments that are denominated in any currency other than the functional currency of the Fund (GBP). The Fund holds both monetary and non-monetary assets denominated in currencies other than GBP.

The Fund's currency rate risk is routinely monitored by the Council and its investment Advisors in accordance with the Fund's risk management strategy, including monitoring the range of exposure to currency fluctuations.

### **Currency Risk – Sensitivity Analysis**

Following analysis of historical data with the Fund's Advisors, the Council considers the likely volatility associated with foreign exchange rate movements to be 10.0% (the 1 year expected standard deviation).

A 10.0% (31 March 2018: 10.0%) fluctuation in the currency is considered reasonable based on the Fund Advisors analysis of long-term historical movements in the month-end exchange rates over a rolling 36 month period. This analysis assumes that all other variables, in particular interest rates, remain constant. A 10.0% strengthening/weakening of the pound against the various currencies in which the fund holds investments would decrease/increase the net assets available to pay benefits as follows.

Assets exposed to currency risk	Value at 31-Mar-19	Potential market movement	Value on increase	Value on decrease
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Overseas Equities	1,737,979	173,798	1,911,777	1,564,181
Overseas Fixed Income	226,543	22,654	249,197	203,889
Overseas Cash Fund	1,578	158	1,736	1,420
Total	1,966,100	196,610	2,162,710	1,769,490
Assets exposed to currency risk	Value at	Potential market	Value on increase	Value on decrease
	31-Mar-18	movement		
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Overseas Equities	1,394,955	139,496	1,534,451	1,255,460
Overseas Fixed Income	228,902	22,890	251,792	206,012
Overseas Cash Fund	18,314	1,831	20,145	16,483
Total	1,642,171	164,217	1,806,388	1,477,955

### b) Credit Risk

Credit risk represents the risk that the counterparty to a transaction or a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation and cause the Fund to incur a financial loss. The market values of investments generally reflect an assessment of credit in their pricing and consequently the risk of loss is implicitly provided for in the carrying value of the Fund's financial assets and liabilities. In essence the Fund's entire investment portfolio is exposed to some form of credit risk, with the exception of the derivatives positions, where the risk equates to the net market value of a positive derivative position. However the selection of high quality counterparties, brokers and financial institutions minimises credit risk that may occur through the failure to settle a transaction in a timely manner. Contractual credit risk is represented by the net payment or receipts that remains outstanding, and the cost of replacing the derivative position in the event of a counterparty default. The residual risk is minimal due to the various insurance policies held by the exchanges to cover defaulting counterparties. Credit risk on over-the-counter derivative contracts is minimised as counterparties are recognised financial intermediaries with acceptable credit ratings determined

by a recognised rating agency. Deposits are not made with banks and financial institutions unless they are rated independently and meet the Council's credit criteria. The Council has also set limits as to the maximum percentage of the deposits placed with any one class of financial institution.

The Council believes it has managed its exposure to credit risk, and has had no experience of default or uncollectible deposits over the past five financial years. The Fund's cash holding under its treasury management arrangements at 31 March 2019 was £38.7m (31 March 2018: £73.4m). This was held with the following institutions:-

	Rating	31-Mar-18 £000	31-Mar-19 £000
Money market funds			
Northern Trust Global Investors Global Cash Fund	Aaa-mf	31,034	27,427
Bank deposit account			
Barclays Bank	A	42,232	4,707
Bank current accounts			
Northern Trust custody accounts	P-1	157	166
Total		73,422	32,300

### c) Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk represents the risk that the Fund will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Fund therefore takes steps to ensure that it has adequate cash resources to meet its commitments. This will particularly be the case for cash from the cash flow matching mandates from the main investment strategy to meet the pensioner payroll costs; and also cash to meet investment commitments.

The Fund has immediate access to its cash holdings, with the exception of holdings that are for a fixed term when the deposit is placed. The Fund defines liquid assets as assets that can be converted to cash within three months. Illiquid assets are those assets which will take longer than three months to convert in to cash. As at 31 March 2019 the value of illiquid assets was £600.7m, which represented 18.8% of the total Fund assets (31 March 2018: £481.1m, which represented 16.2% of the total Fund assets).

Management prepares periodic cash flow forecasts to understand and manage the timing of the Fund's cash flows. The appropriate strategic level of cash balances to be held forms part of the Fund investment strategy. All financial liabilities at 31 March 2019 are due within one year.

## d) Refinancing Risk

The key risk is that the Fund will be bound to replenish a significant proportion of its Pension Fund financial instruments at a time of unfavourable interest rates. The Fund does not have any financial instruments that have a refinancing risk as part of its investment strategy.

## **19. FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS**

In line with the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 2013, the Fund's actuary undertakes a funding valuation every three years for the purpose of setting employer contribution rates for the forthcoming triennial period. The last such valuation took place as at 31 March 2016. The next valuation will take place as at 31 March 2019 and will be published in 2020.

The key elements of the funding policy are:

- to ensure the long-term solvency of the Fund, i.e. that sufficient funds are available to meet all pension liabilities as they fall due for payment;
- to ensure that employer contribution rates are as stable as possible;
- to minimise the long-term cost of the scheme by recognising the link between assets and liabilities and adopting an investment strategy that balances risk and return;
- to reflect the different characteristics of employing bodies in determining contribution rates where the administering authority considers it reasonable to do so;
- to use reasonable measures to reduce the risk to other employers and ultimately to the council tax payer from an employer defaulting on its pension obligations.

The aim is to achieve 100% solvency over a maximum period of 20 years and to provide stability in employer contribution rates by spreading any increases in rates over a period of time. Solvency is achieved when the funds held, plus future expected investment returns and future contributions are sufficient to meet expected future pension benefits payable. Where an employer's funding level is less than 100%, a deficit recovery plan is put in place requiring additional contributions from the employer to meet the shortfall.

At the 2016 actuarial valuation, the Fund was assessed as 78.4% funded (72.4% at the March 2013 valuation). This corresponded to a deficit of £625m (2013 valuation: £728m) at that time.

The Contribution Objective is achieved by setting employer contributions which are likely to be sufficient to meet both the cost of new benefits accruing and to address any funding deficit relative to the funding target over the agreed time horizon. A secondary objective is to maintain where possible relatively stable employer contribution rates. For each employer in the Fund, to meet the Contribution Objective, a primary contribution rate has been calculated in order to fund the cost of new benefits accruing in the Fund. Additionally, if required, a secondary contribution rate has also been calculated to target a fully funded position within the employer's set time horizon.

The table below summarises the whole fund Primary and Secondary Contribution rates at the 2016 triennial valuation. These rates are the payroll weighted average of the underlying individual employer primary and secondary rates, calculated in accordance with the Regulations and CIPFA guidance.

Primary Rate %		Secondary Rate %	
1 April 2017 to 31 March 2020	2017/2018	2018/2019	2019/2020
18.1%	£26,039,000	£17,959,000	£18,355,000

The Primary rate above includes an allowance of 0.6% of pensionable pay for the Fund's expenses. The average employee contribution rate is 6.3% of pensionable pay. Full details of the contribution rates payable can be found in the 2016 actuarial valuation report and the funding strategy statement on the Fund's website. At the previous formal valuation at 31 March 2013, a different regulatory regime was in force. Therefore a contribution rate that is directly comparative to the rates above is not provided.

#### **Basis of Valuation**

The valuation of the Fund has been undertaken using the projected unit method under which the salary increase for each member is assumed to increase until they leave active service by death, retirement or withdrawal from service. The principal assumptions were:

#### **Financial Assumptions**

A summary of the main financial assumptions adopted for the valuation of members' benefits are shown below.

		31-Mar-1	3	31-Mar-	16
Assumption	Description	Nominal	Real	Nominal	Real
Price inflation (RPI)		3.3%	-	3.3%	-
Price Inflation (CPI)/ Pension incre	ases	2.5%	-	2.1%	-
Pay increases - 2016	RPI minus 0.7% p.a.*	n/a	n/a	2.4%	(0.7)%
Pay increases - 2013	RPI plus 1% p.a.*	4.3%	1.0%	n/a	n/a
Funding basis discount rate	"Gilt-based" discount rate plus an Asset Outperformance	4.6%	n/a	4.0%	n/a
	Assumption of 1.8% p.a. (2013: 1.6% p.a).				

\*Plus an allowance for promotional pay increases.

### **Mortality Assumptions**

Future life expectancy based on the actuary's fund-specific mortality review was:

	Active and Deferred Members		Current Pensioners	
Assumed life expectancy at age 65	Male	Female	Male	Female
2013 valuation	24.4	26.9	22.5	24.5
2016 valuation	24.0	26.3	22.4	24.4

Note that the figures for active and deferred members assume that they are aged 45 at the valuation date.

Various scaling factors have been applied to the mortality tables to reflect the predicted longevity for each class of member and their dependants.

#### **Other Demographic Valuation Assumptions:**

a) **Retirements in ill health** - Allowance has been made for ill-health retirements before Normal Pension Age.

b) Withdrawals - Allowance has been made for withdrawals from service.

c) Family details - A varying proportion of members are assumed to be married (or have an adult dependant) at retirement or on earlier death. For example, at age 60 this is assumed to be 90% for males and 85% for females. Husbands are assumed to be 3 years older than wives.

d) Commutation - Future pensioners are assumed to elect to exchange pension for additional tax-free cash up to 25% of HMRC limits for service to 31 March 2008 and 63% of HMRC limits for service from 1 April 2008.

e) 50:50 option - 5.0% of members (uniformly distributed across the age, service and salary range) are assumed to choose the 50:50 option under which they pay 50% lower contributions and receive proportionately lower retirement benefits.

## **20. ACTUARIAL PRESENT VALUE OF PROMISED RETIREMENT BENEFITS**

In addition to the triennial funding valuation, the Fund's actuary also undertakes a valuation of the Pension Fund liabilities, on an IAS 19 basis, every year using the same base data as the funding valuation rolled forward to the current financial year, taking account of changes in membership numbers and updating assumptions to the current year.

In order to assess the value of the benefits on this basis, the Actuary has updated the actuarial assumptions (set out below) from those used for funding purposes (see Note 19). The actuary has also used valued ill health and death benefits in line with IAS 19.

31-Mar-18		31-Mar-19
£m		£m
(4,267)	Present value of promised retirement benefits	(4,820)
2,958	Fair value of scheme assets (bid value)	3,187
(1,309)	Net liability	(1,633)

As noted above, the liabilities are calculated on an IAS 19 basis and therefore will differ from the results of the 2016 triennial funding valuation (see note 19) because IAS 19 stipulates a discount rate rather than a rate which reflects market rates.

#### **Assumptions Used**

	31-Mar-18	31-Mar-19
	% p.a.	% p.a.
Inflation/pension increase rate assumption	2.4	2.5
Salary increase rate	2.7	2.8
Discount rate	2.7	2.4

## **21. CURRENT ASSETS**

31-Mar-18 £000		31-Mar-19 £000
	Debtors:	
1,544	Contributions due – members	1,847
3,671	Contributions due – employers	5,900
10,117	Sundry receivables	5,614
15,332		13,361
42,232	Cash balances	4,707
57,564		18,068

## **22. NON CURRENT ASSETS**

At 31 March 2019, a total of £1,264,000 was still due from the Ministry of Justice, with £632,000 being shown in Current Assets and £632,000 being due after 31 March 2020 shown in Non Current Assets.

## **23.CURRENT LIABILITIES**

31-Mar-18		31-Mar-19
£000		£000
5,113	Sundry payables	3,088
441	Benefits payable	389
5,554		3,477

## 24. ADDITIONAL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Market value		Market value
31-Mar-18		31-Mar-19
£000		£000
403	Equitable Life	363
7,741	Prudential	7,683
8,144		8,046

No contributions (2017-18: no contributions) were paid to Equitable Life during the year and total contributions of £737k (2017-18: £799k) were paid directly to Prudential during the year.

## **25. AGENCY SERVICES**

Agency Services represent activities administered by the Fund on behalf of scheme employers which are not included within the Fund Account but are provided as a service and are fully reclaimed from the employer bodies.

2017-18		2018-19
£000		£000
3,605	Unfunded pensions	3,625
3,605		3,625

## **26. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

### Cambridgeshire County Council

The Cambridgeshire County Council Pension Fund is administered by Cambridgeshire County Council. Consequently there is a strong relationship between the Council and the Fund. The Council incurred costs of £2.2m (2017-18: £2.4m) in relation to the administration of the Fund and was subsequently reimbursed by the Fund for these expenses.

The Council is also the single largest employer of members of the Pension Fund and contributed £21.0m, excluding Local Education Authority schools, to the Fund in 2018-19 (2017-18: £22.1m). At 31 March 2019 there was £0.2m (31 March 2018: £2.0m) due to the Fund by the Council.

#### Governance

The following Pension Fund Committee members declared a personal interest due to either being a member of the scheme themselves or having a family member in the scheme:-

- Councillor Anne Hay
- Councillor Michael Shellens
- Liz Brennan
- Matthew Pink
- Tracy Roden

County Council members have declared their interests in their Register of Members' Interests. Other members of the Pension Fund Board are required to declare their interests at each meeting.

### **Cambridge and Counties Bank**

The Fund is joint owner, along with Trinity Hall, Cambridge, of Cambridge and Counties Bank (CCB). As the Fund has no controlling interest in the Bank and it is included within the Fund's financial statements as a minority interest. The Council's Section 151 Officer was a Non-executive Director on the Board of CCB, and was replaced by an Officer of the Pension Fund during the year, for which CCB paid £49,688 during the year (2017-18 £40,000) to the Council.

## 26(a) KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

The administration of the Fund is provided by LGSS Pensions which is a shared service arrangement between Cambridgeshire County Council and Northamptonshire County Council. The Head of Pensions in the shared service unit reported directly to the LGSS Director of Finance, followed by the Interim Managing Director of LGSS, whose costs are reported in the Northamptonshire County Council statement of accounts. Other key personnel include the Section 151 Officer who is Treasurer to the Fund, and the Head of HR. The Interim Managing Director of LGSS, the Section 151 Officer and the Head of HR are remunerated for their services to the organisation as a whole and it is not possible to identify within the overhead charge from LGSS the proportion of costs relating to these services to the Fund.

# 27. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND CONTRACTUAL COMMITMENTS

Outstanding capital commitments at 31 March 2019 totalled £315.0m (31 March 2018: £210.7m).

These commitments relate to outstanding call payments due on unquoted limited partnership funds held in the private equity and infrastructure parts of the portfolio. The amounts 'called' by these funds are irregular in both size and timing over a period of between three and fifteen years from the date of each original commitment.

## 28. CONTINGENT ASSETS

Sixteen admitted body employers in the Cambridgeshire Fund hold insurance bonds to guard against the possibility of being unable to meet their pension obligations. These bonds are drawn in favour of the Pension Fund and payment will only be triggered in the event of employer default, and usually only in the event of premature cessation.

## Glossary

**ACCRUAL** An amount to cover income or spending that belongs to the accounting year, which was outstanding at the accounting date.

**ACTUARY** An independent company which advises on the assets and liabilities of the Fund with the aim to ensure that the payment of pensions and future benefits are met.

**ACS** ACCESS Authorised Contractual Scheme.

**ADMITTED BODIES** Voluntary and charitable bodies whose staff can become members of the Local Government Pension Scheme subject to certain terms and conditions and other organisations to whom Local Government employees have been transferred under the outsourcing of Local Government services.

AUM Assets Under Management.

**BENEFICIAL OWNER** The true owner of a security regardless of the name in which it is registered.

**BID PRICE** The price at which securities are purchased by market makers.

**BOND** Security issued by a corporate or government body borrowing in the capital markets. Bonds promise to pay interest (coupons) during the life of the bond plus the principal sum borrowed on the redemption date. Bonds may be secured over assets of the firm or be unsecured.

**CASH EQUIVALENTS** Assets which are readily convertible into cash.

**CIPFA** Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy

**COMMUTATION** Giving up part or all of the pension payable from retirement in exchange for an immediate lump sum. Commutation factors (usually calculated by the Scheme Actuary) are used to determine the amount of pension which needs to be given up in order to provide the lump sum.

**CONTINGENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES** Are assets and liabilities that may or may not be incurred depending on the outcome of a future event.

**CONTRACT NOTE** The documentary record of a trade which is sent from the broker to the investor.

**CONVERTIBLE** Unsecured loan stock (bond) which converts into equity of the issuing company. The UK Government also issues convertible gilts which convert into other government stock.

**COUPON** The regular payment made on bonds.

**CTI** Cost Transparency Initiative.

**CURRENT ASSETS** Short-term assets such as inventories, receivables and bank balances.

**CURRENT LIABILITIES** Amounts owed which are due to be settled in less than one year, such as bank overdrafts and money owed to suppliers.

**CUSTODIAN** An external body responsible for ensuring Fund assets are registered in the name of the Fund, managing the settlement of trades entered into by the Fund, collecting income arising on Fund assets and reporting transactions and values to the Fund on a regular basis.

**DEFERRED PENSION BENEFIT** A pension benefit which a member has accrued but is not yet entitled to receive.

**DEFICIT** An outcome as a result of taking away all expenses from income.

**DERIVATIVE** A financial instrument derived from a security, currency or commodity, or an index indicator representing any of these, the price of which will move in a direct relationship to the price of the underlying instrument. Derivatives can be used for a number of purposes - including insuring against price movements (hedging), increasing exposure to price movements for speculation or getting access to otherwise hard to trade assets or markets.

**DIVIDEND** The distribution of profits by a company to its shareholders. The dividend may be passed or cut if profits fall. [See also Equities]

# **Glossary (continued)**

**EARNINGS PER SHARE (EPS)** The net (after tax) profits of a company divided by the number of ordinary shares in issue. This is used as the 'E' term in the P/E ratio to value shares.

**EQUITIES** Shares representing the capital of a company issued to shareholders usually with voting rights on the way the company runs the business. Equity holders rank last in the event of the winding up of a company.

**FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS** Contracts which give rise to a financial asset of one entity and a financial liability or equity instrument of another.

**FINANCIAL CONDUCT AUTHORITY (FCA)** The lead UK regulator. A designated agency which is not a government department.

**FIXED INTEREST CORPORATE BOND** A certificate of debt issued by a company or institution in return for a fixed rate interest with a promise of redemption to repay the original sum.

**FTSE-100 INDEX** The main UK index used to represent the approximate price movements of the top 100 shares.

**FTSE All Share Index** Summarises the state of the UK equity market. It covers some 900 of the major UK industrial, commercial and financial companies.

**FUTURES** Instruments which give a buyer the right to purchase a commodity at a future date.

**GMP** Guaranteed Minimum Pension.

**HEDGE** To protect a fund from a fall in prices. This is usually accomplished by the selling of futures.

**HEDGE FUND** A limited partnership with very little restriction on the scope of its investment. Usually quoted in Luxembourg or Dublin. Hedge funds often use borrowing to gear up exposure to markets.

**IDRP** Internal Dispute Resolution Procedures

**INDEX LINKED** Stock whose value is related directly to an index, usually the Retail Price Index and therefore provides a hedge against inflation.

**INTEREST YIELD** The annual coupon on a bond divided by the price of a bond which is quoted without accrued interest.

**INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (IFRS)** Accounting Standards, Interpretations and the Framework adopted by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

**ISC** Investments Sub-Committee.

**LGSS** A partnership between Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire County Councils to create a wholly owned public sector organisation to deliver professional and transactional support services.

**LOAN STOCK** Unsecured bonds, which may be convertible if they have a warrant attached.

LPB Local Pension Board.

**MARKET CAPITALISATION** For an individual stock it is the value of all shares held in the equity of the company. For a market or index it is the total of all the market caps of the constituent companies.

**OFFER PRICE** The price at which market makers will sell stock.

**ORDINARY SHARES** 'A' Shares which confer full voting and dividend rights to the Owner.

**PENSIONS STRAIN** Charges to employers to cover discretionary early retirement costs, which are the responsibility of the employer, recovered in the first year of retirement in full.

**PFC** Pension Fund Committee.

PLSA Pensions and Lifetime Savings Association.

**PORTFOLIO** A collection of investments. This can refer to the investments managed by a particular Investment Manager, or to describe the whole Fund's investments.

RAG Red, Amber and Green.

# **Glossary (continued)**

**RELATED PARTY** A person or an organisation which has influence over another person or organisation.

**RIGHTS ISSUE** A new issue of shares offered to existing shareholders in proportion to their existing holdings. Usually offered at a discount to entice take-up, which causes the existing shares to fall in value to the theoretical ex-rights price.

**SAB** Scheme Advisory Board.

**SCHEDULED BODIES** Local Authorities and similar bodies whose staff are entitled automatically to become members of the local Authority Pension Fund.

**STOCK** Shares (e.g. Common stock). However, UK Gilts are more correctly described as stock.

**SURPLUS** An outcome as a result of taking away all expenses from income.

**TRANSFER VALUES** Sums which are paid either to or received from other pension schemes and relate to new and former members' periods of pensionable employment with employers participating in the scheme.

**TREASURY MANAGEMENT** A process which plans, organises and controls cash, investments and borrowings so as to optimise interest and currency flows, and minimise the cost of funds.

**TRUST** Investments are owned by trustees for the underlying beneficial owners. A unit trust is a trust, incorporated under a trust deed. An investment trust is a company, not a trust.

**UNIT TRUST** An open-ended trust investing in a wide spread of stocks, shares and cash (subject to FSA limits). Investors buy units directly from the Investment manager to participate in a diversified portfolio. Unit trusts are subject to FSA investment and borrowing regulations.

**WARRANTS** Long dated options warrants give the holder the right to buy/sell a specified quantity of a particular stock, or any other asset, at a fixed price on or before a specified date.