

Pensions Committee

Agenda

Monday, 1 July 2024 at 6.30 p.m.
Committee Room - Tower Hamlets Town Hall,
160 Whitechapel Road, London E1 1BJ

Members:

Chair: Councillor Ana Miah

Vice Chair:

Councillor Saied Ahmed, Councillor Jahed Choudhury, Councillor Kamrul Hussain, Councillor Faroque Ahmed, Councillor Maisha Begum and Councillor Abdal Ullah

Co-opted Members:

Kehinde Akintunde (Trade Union Representative)

Substitutes: Councillor Asma Begum, Councillor Rachel Blake, Councillor Iqbal Hossain, Councillor Shahaveer Shubo Hussain, Councillor Maium Talukdar and Councillor Abdul Wahid

[The quorum for the Pensions Committee is 3 voting Members]

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A Guide to Pensions Committee

To consider pension matters and meet the obligations and the duties of the Council under the Superannuation Act 1972, and the various statutory requirements in respect of investment matters.

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APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS (PAGES 7 - 8)

Members are reminded to consider the categories of interest, identified in the Code of Conduct for Members to determine: whether they have an interest in any agenda item and any action they should take. For further details, see the attached note from the Monitoring Officer.

Members are also reminded to declare the nature of the interest at the earliest opportunity and the agenda item it relates to. Please note that ultimately it is the Members' responsibility to identify any interests and also update their register of interest form as required by the Code.

If in doubt as to the nature of an interest, you are advised to seek advice prior the meeting by contacting the Monitoring Officer or Democratic Services.

2. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING(S) (PAGES 9 - 14)

To confirm as a correct record the unrestricted minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 25th March 2024.

4. PETITIONS

To receive any petitions relating to matters for which the Committee is responsible.

5. SUBMISSIONS / REFERRALS FROM PENSION BOARD

6. REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION

6.1 Pensions Committee Terms of Reference, Membership, Quorum and Dates of Meetings 2024-25 (Pages 15 - 26)

6.2 Tower Hamlets Pension Fund Closing 2023/24 and External Audit

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To follow.

6 .3 Governance and Compliance Statement

To follow.

6 .4 Admissions Policy

To follow.

6 .5 Training Strategy

To follow.

6 .6 Annual Benefits Statements (ABS) 2024

To follow.

7. TRAINING EVENTS

8. PENSIONS COMMITTEE WORK PLAN

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS CONSIDERED TO BE URGENT

10. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

In view of the contents of the remaining items on the agenda the Committee is recommended to adopt the following motion: “That, under the provisions of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting for the consideration of the Section Two business on the grounds that it contains information defined as Exempt in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act,1972.”

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10 .1 RESTRICTED MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING(S) (Pages 27 - 34)

To confirm as a correct record the restricted minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 25th March 2024.

10 .2 City Gateway Cessation report for South Quay College

To follow.

10 .3 Quarterly Investment Review – March 2024

To follow.

10 .4 Carbon Metrics Review

To follow.

10 .5 Draft Updated Investment Strategy Statement

To follow.

10 .6 Independent Adviser Report – Q1, 2024

To follow.

Next Meeting of the Pensions Committee

Monday, 30 September 2024 at 6.30 p.m. to be held in Committee Room - Tower Hamlets Town Hall, 160 Whitechapel Road, London E1 1BJ

