

ITEM NO: 4(b)

GREATER MANCHESTER PENSION FUND MANAGEMENT PANEL

11 July 2014

Commenced: 10.00am

Terminated: 12.30pm

Present: Councillor K Quinn (Chair)

Councillors: Akbar (Manchester), Brett (Rochdale), Buckley, Cooney, J Fitzpatrick, C Francis, M Francis (Bolton), Halliwell (Wigan), Houle (Oldham), J Lane, Middleton, Mitchell (Trafford), Pantall (Stockport), Pennington (Salford), S Quinn, Ricci, Taylor, Ward, Welsh and Whitley.

Advisers:

Mr Bowie and Mr Hemingway

Apologies for
Absence: Councillor Grimshaw (Bury)

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest submitted by Members.

2. CHAIR'S OPENING REMARKS

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting, particularly new Member; Councillor Allen Brett representing Rochdale MBC. He further announced that Richard Sydee was leaving the MoJ and would be replaced on the Panel by Audrey Fullerton. He thanked Richard for his work with the Pension Fund and wished him well for the future.

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel held on 7 March 2014 were signed as a correct record.

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Pension Fund Management Panel held on 7 March 2014 were signed as a correct record.

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Urgent Matters Panel held on 16 April 2014 were signed as a correct record, subject to the following:

That Minute 3, Resolution (a), read as follows:

The construction of a new Pension Fund Building be procured through the Council's Strategic Infrastructure Partner, Tameside Investment Partnership, in accordance with existing contractual arrangements at a cost of £7.73 million to be met by the Greater Manchester Pension Fund.

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

(a) Urgent Items

The chair announced that there were no urgent items for consideration at this meeting.

(b) Exempt Items

RESOLVED

That under Section 100 (A) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded for the following items of business on the grounds that:

- (i) they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the act specified below; and
- (ii) in all circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information for reasons specified below:

<u>Items</u>	<u>Paragraphs</u>	<u>Justification</u>
7(h), 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16 & 18	3&10, 3&10, 3&10, 3&10, 3&10, 3&10, 3&10, 3&10	Disclosure would or would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of the Fund and/or its agents, which could in turn affect the interests of the beneficiaries and/or tax payers.

5. PENSIONS ADMINISTRATION WORKING GROUP

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Pensions Administration Working Group held on 11 April 2014 were considered.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

6. ETHICS AND AUDIT WORKING GROUP

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Pensions Administration Working Group held on 18 October 2013 were considered.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

7. ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS WORKING GROUP

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Alternative Investments Working Group held on 4 April 2014 were considered.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

8. PROPERTY WORKING GROUP

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Property Working Group held on 4 April 2014 were considered.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

9. EMPLOYER FUNDING VIABILITY WORKING GROUP

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Employer Funding Viability Working Group held on 16 April 2014 were considered.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

10. EMPLOYER FUNDING VIABILITY WORKING GROUP

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Employer Funding Working Group held on 22 April 2014 were considered.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

11. MOJ PROJECT BOARD

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meetings of the MoJ Project Board held on the following dates were considered.

12 March 2014;

15 April 2014; and

12 June 2014.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

12. APPOINTMENTS TO WORKING GROUPS

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

13. APPOINTMENT OF ADVISER

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

14. MINISTRY OF JUSTICE UPDATE

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted and presentation of the MoJ Project Manager delivered.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

15. LGPS UPDATE

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

16. QUARTERLY REPORTS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF PENSIONS

- (a) Summary Valuation of the Pension Fund Investment Portfolio as at 31 December 2013 and 31 March 2014**

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

- (b) Underwriting, Stocklending and Commission Recapture**

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

- (c) External Managers' Performance**

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

17. LONG TERM PERFORMANCE 2013/14 – MAIN FUND AND ACTIVE MANAGERS

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

18. CASH MANAGEMENT

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

19. LONG TERM PROPERTY PERFORMANCE (IPD REVIEW 2013 ETC)

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

20. INVESTMENT STRATEGY AND TACTICAL POSITIONING 2014/15

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

21. REPORTS OF THE MANAGERS

Representatives of UBS Global Asset Management and Capital International attended before Members of the Panel to comment on their investment strategy and to answer questions raised by the Advisers and Members.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

22. ACTUARIAL VALUATION UPDATE

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

23. ACTUARY AND INVESTMENT ADVISER RE-TENDER

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

24. TENDER PROCESSES FOR INVESTMENT MANAGERS

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

25. DUTIES OF ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY UNDER THE LGPS

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

26. ACCOUNTING FOR PENSION COSTS – IAS 19

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

27. FUTURE TRAINING DATES

Trustee Training opportunities were noted as follows:

LGC Investment Summit Celtic Manor	9 – 10 September 2014
NAPF Annual Conference ACC, Liverpool	15 – 17 October 2014
Capital International Annual Training Day, Manchester (Dinner the evening of 20 November 2014 optional)	21 November 2014
Fundamentals Training for New Members: Day 1 – Leeds Marriott Hotel	14 October 2014
Day 2 – Leeds Marriott Hotel	11 November 2014
Day 3 – Leeds Marriott Hotel	2 December 2014

28. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The dates of future meetings of the Greater Manchester Pension Fund Management/Advisory Panel and Working Groups were noted as follows:

Management/Advisory Panel	12 September 2014 (AGM) 11 December 2014 (Thursday) Dukinfield Town Hall 6 March 2015
Pensions Administration/Ethics and Audit Working Groups	25 July 2014 17 October 2014 23 January 2015 10 April 2015
Alternative Investments/Property Working Groups	1 August 2014 24 October 2014 30 January 2015 17 April 2015
Business Development Working Group	31 July 2014 9 October 2014 5 February 2015 26 March 2015
Employer Funding Viability Working Group	8 August 2014 7 November 2014 6 February 2015 24 April 2015
MoJ Project Board	18 July 2014 11 September 2014 15 October 2014 12 November 2014 18 December 2014

CHAIR