

BCPP Joint Committee

Date of Meeting: 11th March 2019

Report Title: Result of the election for a scheme member observer and

substitute to the Joint Committee

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1.0 Executive Summary:

1.0 This report provides members with details of the results of the election held to fill the role of scheme member observer on the Joint Committee.

2.0 Recommendations:

2.1 Members to note the election of Nicholas Wirz as scheme member observer on the Joint Committee and Deirdre Burnet as substitute.

3.0 Background:

- 3.1 At its last meeting the Joint Committee approved arrangements for the election of a scheme member observer and substitute from amongst the scheme member representatives on the 12 Local Pension Boards. This election was organised by South Yorkshire Pensions Authority on behalf of the Joint Committee and 5 nominations were received. Candidates were allowed to provide a 250 word statement and a photograph were included in a booklet circulated to each of the nominated electors. The election was held using the Single Transferable Vote (STV) system, 11 funds returned ballot papers.
- 3.2 Under the STV system a candidate has to achieve a minimum number of votes (the quota) in order to be elected. For an elected candidate any votes in excess of the quota are then redistributed to the second preferences.

- 3.3 The quota for this election was calculated as 4.67 and in the count of first preferences Nicholas Wirz from Tyne and Wear Pension Fund received 7 votes and was therefore elected. Mr. Wirz' surplus votes were then redistributed to the second preference candidates which resulted in Deirdre Burnet from Cumbria Pension Fund reaching the quota.
- 3.4 As a result Nicholas Wirz is elected as the scheme member observer and Deirdre Burnet as the substitute for a term of office covering this meeting and the forthcoming municipal year.

4.0 Conclusion:

4.1 The election process for the current year is complete and officers will review the detail of its operation before the next election cycle.

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