

## SOUTH YORKSHIRE LOCAL PENSION BOARD

23 July 2015

### Report of the Deputy Clerk

#### MEMBER LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT

##### 1. Purpose of the Report

To assist with the creation of a Member Learning and Development Programme.

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##### 2. Recommendations

**Members are recommended to discuss items for inclusion in the Member Learning and Development Programme.**

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##### 3. Information

3.1 The Pensions Regulator's Governance and Administration of Public Service Pension Schemes Code of Practice No.14 states:

***Knowledge and understanding required by pension board members - legal requirements***

***A member of the pension board of a public service pension scheme must be conversant with:***

- ***the rules of the scheme, and***
- ***any document recording policy about the administration of the scheme which is for the time being adopted in relation to the scheme.***

***A member of a pension board must have knowledge and understanding of:***

- ***the law relating to pensions, and***
- ***any other matters which are prescribed in regulations.***

***The degree of knowledge and understanding required is that appropriate for the purposes of enabling the individual to properly exercise the functions of a member of the pension board.***

The full Code of Practice No. 14 can be found [here](#).

3.2 Individual Member Learning and Development Questionnaires will be issued to members at the first meeting of the Local Pension Board. Completed questionnaires will be used to assist with the development of the Member Learning and Development Programme.

3.3 The Pension Regulator has developed an online Public Service Toolkit which all members are required to complete. This can be done individually or with the support of the Joint Authorities Governance Unit. The Public Service Toolkit can be found [here](#).

#### 4. Implications

<u>Legal</u>	The Local Pension Board has been established in accordance with the Public Service Pensions Act 2013, acknowledging the compliance and enforcement policy for public service pension schemes issued by the Pensions Regulator.
<u>Financial</u>	Provision for training will be included in the budget for the Local Pension Board.
<u>Diversity</u>	None.

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