

SOUTH YORKSHIRE PENSIONS AUTHORITY

CORPORATE PLANNING AND GOVERNANCE BOARD

7 MARCH 2012

PRESENT: Councillor R Wraith (Chair)
Councillors: D Barker and B Ford

Officers: L Cooksey (Member Services Manager), M Oades
(Solicitor & Monitoring Officer), M Wilkinson (Internal Audit
Manager) and R Winter (Head of Internal Audit)

G Warwick (GMB)

Councillor M Lawton (Observer)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor E Butler

1 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were noted as above.

2 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

3 **URGENT ITEMS.**

None.

4 **ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS.**

None.

5 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

6 **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 2 FEBRUARY 2012**

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 2 February
2012 be agreed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

7 **INTERNAL AUDIT STRATEGY AND PLAN 2012/13**

A report of the Head of Internal Audit was submitted which presented the updated
Internal Audit Strategy and Annual Plan for 2012/13 for Members' consideration.

Members noted that the Audit Manager had updated the Internal Audit Strategy and had prepared the Plan for 2012/13, which were presented in the two-part document attached at Appendix A. Both had been approved by the Clerk and Treasurer in accordance with his delegated authority.

The Strategy acknowledged/took cognisance of the following:

- The CIPFA final statement on the role of the Head of Internal Audit. The role of the Head of Internal Audit was being undertaken by the Assistant Executive Director of Finance (Audit & Risk Management) BMBC who was working closely with the Audit Manager.
- Projects being drawn from a nomination list from the Service and the Authority based on priorities identified by the risk assessment and the productive audit days available.
- A shift in emphasis of the nature of the work undertaken by some of the Team. This shift included a greater involvement by the Audit Manager and Principal Auditor in Officer Planning Groups, Governance and other Boards to provide advice and guidance at a strategic level.

Members noted that following approval the Strategy and Plan would be published on the Authority's website.

RESOLVED:

- i) The Board agrees the Internal Audit Strategy and Annual Plan for 2012/13.
- ii) The Board acknowledges the need for the Head of Internal Audit to apply his professional judgement regarding the flexibility necessary to ensure the efficient use of resources.

CHAIR