

SOUTH YORKSHIRE PENSIONS AUTHORITY

15 March 2018

Report of the Clerk

SECTION 4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND HOUSING ACT 1989 - APPOINTMENT OF HEAD OF PAID SERVICE

1 Matter for consideration

The Authority is required to appoint a Head of Paid Service in accordance with Section 4 (1) (a) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989. The Authority's Constitution designates this role to the post of Fund Director.

Following the appointment of George Graham as Fund Director with effect from 12 February 2018, the Authority is formally required to make such an appointment.

2 Recommendations

- i) **Note the report and approve the appointment of Mr George Graham, Fund Director as its Head of Paid Service with effect from 12 February 2018.**

3 Background Information

- 3.1 There is a statutory requirement on the Authority to designate one of its officers as Head of Paid Service in accordance with S.4 (1) (a) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989. The Head of Paid Service is responsible for the overall corporate and operational functions performed by staff of the South Yorkshire Pensions Service.
- 3.2 It is one of three roles must appoint to, the others being the Monitoring Officer and Chief Finance Officer/Treasurer. For South Yorkshire Pensions Authority, these roles are fulfilled by the Barnsley MBC's Director of Legal and Governance and Service Director (Finance) respectively. These roles should remain distinct and separate.
- 3.3 Barnsley MBC is responsible for the provision of professional core services to the Authority under an established agreement made in 1986 between the Authority and the four District Councils in South Yorkshire. This is supported by a service level agreement which is periodically reviewed by the Authority. The delivery of these services is overseen by the Chief Executive of Barnsley MBC who is appointed as Clerk to the Authority.

4 Implications

- 4.1 Financial
None
- 4.2 Legal
It is a legal requirement for the Pensions Authority to have a designated Head of Paid Service .
- 4.3 Diversity
None

4.4 Risk

Not having a statutory officer in place, in addition to being unlawful, could also put the corporate affairs of the Authority at risk.

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Background papers used in the preparation of this report are available for inspection at the South Yorkshire Pensions Authority.

Other sources and references: None.