

Committee Report

Decision Maker:	Pension Fund Committee

Date: 27 June 2017

Classification: General Release

Title: Draft Pension Fund Annual Report & Statement

of Accounts 2016-17

Wards Affected: All

Policy Context: Effective control over Council Activities

Financial Summary: There are no immediate financial implications

arising from this report, although investment performance has an impact on the Council's employer contribution to the Pension Fund and

this is a charge to the General Fund.

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1. Executive Summary

1.1 This report presents the draft Pension Fund Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2017.

2. Recommendation

2.1 The Committee is asked to note the draft Pension Fund Annual Report 2016-17, and delegate approval of the final document to the Tri-Borough Director of Treasury & Pensions in consultation with the Chair.

3. Background

3.1 The Council's draft Annual Statement of Accounts for 2016-17, which includes the accounts for the Pension Fund, were prepared and submitted to the Council's external auditors for audit on 7th April 2017. This was 12 weeks in advance of the statutory requirement of 30th June. The arrangements for a standard period of Public Inspection of 30

working days, as per 2015-16 Accounting requirements, is still in place and must be completed before the authority is able to approve or publish the accounts. To comply with this new arrangement, the Council's Statement of Accounts will be presented to the Audit and Performance Committee on 17th July 2017 for approval, the earliest permitted date.

- 3.2 The production of the Pension Fund Annual Report, which includes the Pension Fund Accounts, is a regulatory requirement and needs to be approved by the Pension Fund Committee by 30 September following the year end. The draft Pension Fund Annual Report for 2016-17 is attached as Appendix 1.
- 3.3 Committee members are asked to comment on any matters in the draft Pension Fund Annual Report and delegate approval of the final document to the Tri-Borough Director of Treasury & Pensions in consultation with the Chair.

If you have any questions about this report, or wish to inspect one of the background papers, please contact the report author:

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BACKGROUND PAPERS: None

APPENDIX 1

Draft Pension Fund Annual Report and Statement of Accounts 2016-17