

WIRRAL COUNCIL

PENSIONS COMMITTEE

14 JANUARY 2009

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

MEMBERS TRAINING 2009

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 Members are requested to agree the training programme anticipated for 2009.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 As a consequence of Myners' recommendations, there is an increasing focus from the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) on the expertise of trustees and the need for training on an ongoing basis. The Pension Fund arranges internal and external training events throughout the year. Separate papers, to authorise attendance at these events, are put to Committee on an event by event basis.

3. TRAINING PROGRAMME

- 3.1 The anticipated training programme is attached as Appendix 1 to this report. As the Pension Fund becomes aware of other appropriate events, Members will be advised at the time.
- 3.2 Officers are also looking to provide Members with bespoke training opportunities, principally provided by the Local Government Employers (LGE), once the governance and induction arrangements have been formalised.

4. FINANCIAL AND STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The anticipated costs of the programme will be included in the training budget for 2009.

5. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1. There are none arising from this report.

6. COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1. There are none arising from this report.

7. LOCAL MEMBER SUPPORT IMPLICATIONS

7.1. This report has no particular implications for any Members or wards.

8. LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

8.1. There are none arising from this report.

9. PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

9.1. There are none arising from this report.

10. BACKGROUND PAPERS

10.1 None were used in the preparation of this report.

11. RECOMMENDATION

11.1 That Members agree the training programme.

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DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

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APPENDIX 1

<u>Month (2009)</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Representation*</u>
26/27 February	LGC Investment Summit, Chester	Party Spokespersons
May	NAPF Local Authority Conference, Birmingham	Chair
June	Internal Training Day, Liverpool, involving other local authorities	All Members
23-25 June	CIPFA Conference, Manchester	Chair
10/11 September	LGC Investment Seminar, Newport	Party Spokespersons
September	Internal Training Day, Liverpool, involving other local authorities	All Members
October	LGPS Annual Conference.	All Members
November	Annual Employers Conference, Liverpool	All Members
December	LAPFF Annual Conference, Bournemouth	Chair

***Representation reflects previous attendance at these events**