WIRRAL COUNCIL

PENSIONS COMMITTEE

24TH MARCH 2014

SUBJECT:	MPF CONTRACTS
WARD/S AFFECTED:	ALL
REPORT OF:	STRATEGIC DIRECTOR
	TRANSFORMATION & RESOURCES
KEY DECISION?	NO

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform Members of the extension of three MPF contracts, under delegated authority, by the Strategic Director Transformation & Resources.

2.0 BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

2.1 Property valuers

Members first approved the appointment of Colliers in 2010 for a period of four years with the option to extend for a further two years. Colliers were appointed at that time as the preferred supplier ranking first overall and quoting the lowest price. Officers have assessed the quality of the service provision since then as fully satisfactory and, in view of the competitive bid at the initial tender stage and the costs/resources of retendering, have exercised the option to extend for a further two years.

2.2 Strategic Property Advice

The contract for strategic property advice was let from 1 January 2010 for a period of four years with an option to extend for a further two years. CBRE were appointed at that time as the preferred supplier ranking first overall and quoting the lowest price. Officers have assessed the quality of the service provision since then as fully satisfactory and, in view of the competitive bid at the initial tender stage and the costs/resources of retendering, have exercised the option to extend for a further two years.

2.3 Independent advisor

The Fund sought a waiver of the contract procedure rules to allow an extension of the existing contract with one of its independent advisors for a further 24 months.

3.0 RELEVANT RISKS

3.1 All three contracts provide services to the Fund which are necessary for the discharge of its statutory duties.

4.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4.1 None

5.0 CONSULTATION

5.1 None

6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR VOLUNTARY, COMMUNITY AND FAITH GROUPS

6.1 None

7.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: FINANCIAL; IT; STAFFING; AND ASSETS

7.1 All three contracts were extended on the financial terms pertaining at the outset. In relation to the strategic property contract, the agent introduction fee was increased to reflect changes in the market and maintain the Fund's competitive position.

8.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

8.1 None

9.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 Has the potential impact of your proposal(s) been reviewed with regard to equality?
 - (b) No because there is no relevance to equality.

10.0 CARBON REDUCTION IMPLICATIONS

10.1 None

11.0 PLANNING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

11.1 None

12.0 RECOMMENDATION/S

12.1 That Members note the report.

13.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S

13.1 Wirral's contract procedure rules require contract extensions to be reported to elected members.

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APPENDICES

None

REFERENCE MATERIAL

None

SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date