WIRRAL COUNCIL

PENSIONS COMMITTEE

19 SEPTEMBER 2016

| SUBJECT: | DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT |
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| WARD/S AFFECTED: | NONE |
| REPORT OF: | STRATEGIC DIRECTOR TRANSFORMATION & RESOURCES |
| KEY DECISION? | NO |

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide Members with the draft Annual Report of Merseyside Pension Fund for 2015/16.

2.0 BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

- 2.1 The LGPS regulations require the Pension Fund Annual Report to contain the Fund Accounts and Net Asset Statement with supporting notes and disclosures, prepared in accordance with proper practices.
- 2.2 International Standards on Auditing (UK&I) 720 requires that auditors read any information published with the accounts. It also states that the auditor should not issue an opinion until that other information is published.
- 2.3 The Fund's Statement of Accounts and the auditor's Audit Findings Report are separate items on this agenda and provide additional assurance that the annual report has been subject to independent scrutiny.

3.0 RELEVANT RISKS

3.1 There are none arising from this report.

4.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4.1 No other options have been considered.

5.0 CONSULTATION

5.1 There has been no consultation undertaken or proposed for this report. There are no implications for partner organisations arising from this report.

6.0 OUTSTANDING PREVIOUSLY APPROVED ACTIONS

6.1 There are no previously approved actions outstanding.

7.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR VOLUNTARY, COMMUNITY AND FAITH GROUPS

7.1 There are none arising from this report.

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

8.1 There are none arising directly from this report.

9.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are none arising from this report.

10.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

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

11.0 CARBON REDUCTION AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

11.1 There are no carbon usage implications, nor any other relevant environmental issues arising from this report.

12.0 PLANNING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

12.1 There are none arising from this report.

13.0 RECOMMENDATION/S

13.1 That Members approve the draft Annual Report of Merseyside Pension Fund for publication.

14.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S

14.1 Regulation 34 of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) Administration Regulations requires local authorities to produce an Annual Report for the year to 31 March by 1 December of that year.

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APPENDICES

Draft Annual report

BACKGROUND PAPERS/REFERENCE MATERIAL

BRIEFING NOTES HISTORY

| Briefing Note | Date |
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SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

| Council Meeting | Date |
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| The Fund's draft annual report is brought annually to this Committee. | |