Technical Finance - Technical Finance (Pension Fund)

Description: Failure to have the appropriate	e dovernance a	arrangemen	ts in place (incl	uding Pensions	Inherent Rating:		Target Rating
Regulator requirements) Consequence: non-compliance with legislatio decisions/deliver the service in	n or best pract	14 - High	12 - High (28/03/2022)	9 - Medium			
Review Date: 06/04/2022 Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To		Update		
SAB Good governance project - gap analysis commissioned to identify areas for improvement to ensure compliance when legislation/regulations updated.	0	30/06/2022		update 22-Mar-22: report form part of combined ac statement	rt has been received, bu		
Governance Compliance Statement - update for current year activity, identify areas for improvement, develop action plan. To be completed for 2021-22 annual report, presentation at May 2022 pension fund committee meeting.	0	31/05/2022	Joanna Thistlewood				
Local Pension Board - external employer representative nominations sought from 30 external employers (not IWC or related schools) - none received by first due date.	50	07/04/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	21 March 2022: one non Director of Finance for re March).			

Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update
Pension Fund Committee membership - recruitment of employer representative to vacant position	0	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	
Policies/Strategies: Update list of required documents, and timetable dates for review within pension fund business plan.	0	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	
Local Pension Board - scheme member representative (minimum requirement) expressions of interest sought from all active, deferred and pensioner members of the fund for whom email address held on administration system (10,087 emails sent). Appointment to be confirmed at 19 January 2022 full council meeting.	100	19/01/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	5 expressions of interest (two roles) received. With Director of Finance and Chair of pension fund committee for review since 15 November 2021. update 21 March 2022: 19 January full council meeting delegated appointment to Director of Finance. Director of Finance and Chief Executive met with three candidates between 21 February and 6 March - two people appointed, both have accepted. First meeting on newly formed board to be held on 6 April 2022.
Local Pension Board - scheme member representative (increased membership) expressions of interest sought from all active, deferred and pensioner members of the fund for whom email address held on administration system (10,087 emails sent). Appointment to be confirmed at 19 January 2022 full council meeting if possible.	100	19/01/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	5 expressions of interest (two roles) received. With Director of Finance and Chair of pension fund committee for review since 15 November 2021. update 21 March 2022: 19 January full council meeting delegated appointment to Director of Finance. Director of Finance and Chief Executive met with three candidates between 21 February and 6 March - two people appointed, both have accepted. First meeting on newly formed board to be held on 6 April 2022.
Local Pension Board - IWC Employer Representative Nominations sought from CMT to fulfil this role.	100	19/01/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	7 Dec 2021 - nomination received. To be recommended to full council on 19 January 2022 for appointment 21/3/22: appointment confirmed at full council on 19 January. Member has had introduction meeting with technical finance manager. First meeting of newly created board to be held on 6 April.

Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update
Local Pension Board - independent chair 4 applications received for one position. Appointment to be confirmed at 19 January 2022 full council meeting.	100	19/01/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	applications have been with Director of Finance and Chair of pension fund committee for review since 15 November 2021. 21/3/22: DoF and Chair of PFC met with shortlisted candidates held on 7 Feb and 16 Feb. Preferred candidate identified and appointed on 2 March. Pension board introductory meeting to be held on 6 April.
Financial Management - T	echnical Fin	ance (Pen	sion Fund)	

Description: Lack of relevant knowledge an	d undorstandi	a with the	Ponsion Comm	nitton Donsion Poord	Inherent Rating:		Target Rating
and/or officers Consequence:		ig with the i		intee, Fension Board	14 - High	14 - High	9 - Medium
non-compliance with legislation Review Date: 06/04/2022	n for board me	mbers. Pote	ential for poor c	decision making.		(28/03/2022)	
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To		Update		
pension fund committee members encouraged to complete TPR public service online toolkit modules, with update on progress requested and reported at each pension fund committee meeting.	0	31/12/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	16 February 2022 meeti	ng - only one member h	ad completed toolkit	
pension board and committee members induction programme to be developed	0	31/12/2022	Joanna Thistlewood				
Pension board members encouraged to complete all TPR public service online toolkit modules within 6 months of appointment.	0	30/09/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	to be reviewed at 6 April	board meeting with acti	on plan agreed	
Hymans Robertson LGPS Online Learning Academy users to be updated to include all board members. Board member to be encouraged to complete all modules within 6 months of access being granted. to be reported and reviewed at each board meeting.	0	30/09/2022	Joanna Thistlewood				
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Financial Management - T	echnical Fin	ance (Pen	sion Fund)			
Risk: Key person risk (G3) (lo	d: 196) - Assig	ned To: Jo	oanna Thistlewood			
Description: reliance on key people, lack of supporting resource, single points of failure Consequence: lack of succession planning. Severe disruption if key staff are absent for any period of time. Review Date: 31/05/2022				Inherent Rating: 15 - Very High	Current Rating 15 - Very High (28/03/2022)	Target Rating: 5 - Low
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update		
commission external review of pension fund structure to ensure most effective and appropriate structure is in place - linking into Good Governance Project.	0	30/06/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
succession planning, sharing of knowledge, documentation of procedures/processes both in finance and administration teams.	0	30/06/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
Financial Management staffing restructure changes Technical Finance Manager role to Pension Fund Manager, with 100% focus on Pension Fund. New cost centre to be created to separate Pension Fund Finance costs from mainstream Accountancy team.	0	01/04/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			

Diele Contine 10 analysis imm	cot(C4) (Id: 4		sion Fund)				
Risk: Section 13 analysis impa	act (G4) (10: 1	97) - Assigi	ned IO: Joann	ia Thistiewood	July and Deting	Our Dation	Tool Dark
Description:		.1		Inherent Rating:	Current Rating	Target Rating	
DLUHC review funds' valuation f results deemed inadequate.	9 - Medium	5 - Low	5 - Low				
Consequence: Reputational risk. Time and costs to implement any remedy Review Date: 31/03/2022						(28/03/2022)	
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To		Update		
Take advice from Fund actuary on position of Fund as at prior valuation and consideration of proposed valuation approach	50	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	s13 report from 2016 valuation showed no implications. draft results from s13 report on 2019 valuation had no implications. to be factored into 2022 valuation planning.			

Description:	la materia del			the last second to the fit	Inherent Rating:	Current Rating	Target Rating
Actuarial or investment advice some way	is not sought,	or is not he	eded, or proves	s to be insufficient in	13 - High	9 - Medium	6 - Low
Consequence: inappropriate funding strategy significant reduction in fund in Review Date: 25/05/2022					(28/03/2022)		
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To		Update		
Actuarial consultancy contract management - awarded May 2018 for six years plus one Decision required for re- procurement or extension by December 2023 - noting that 2025 is a valuation year	0	31/10/2023	Joanna Thistlewood	have joined the "new" N Governance Consultanc		k for Actuarial Benefits	and
triennial valuation 2022 to consider combined funding and investment implications when identifying future contribution rates. Reporting to each pension fund committee during financial year 2022-23 (May'22 - assumptions; Jul'22 - draft council results; Nov'22 - draft employer results; Feb'23 - draft final report)	0	31/03/2023	Joanna Thistlewood				
nvestment consultancy contract management - awarded Jul 2018 for five years plus up to wo years. Decision required for re- procurement or extension by December 2022, for enactment July 2023.	0	31/12/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	Current National LGPS is available for contract			tancy services

Risk: Internal controls failure	(G6) (Id: 202)	- Assigned	To: Joanna Thistlewood			
Description: inadequate controls over payr Consequence: increased potential for fraud, e Review Date: 30/03/2022		Inherent Rating: 9 - Medium	Current Rating 9 - Medium (28/03/2022)	Target Rating 6 - Low		
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update		
2022-23 internal audit plan contains full review of Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable, Bank and Cash systems, along with follow-up of pension administration issues. updates to be provided at relevant pension board meetings as reviews are completed.	0	31/03/2023	Joanna Thistlewood			
External audit of pension fund accounts provides assurance that internal controls are operating effectively, and that management override of controls has not occurred. 2021-22 external audit work commences in June 2022 (interim audit) with final fieldwork scheduled for September/October 2022. Results to be presented to audit committee, pension committee and pension board as they become available.	0	31/12/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			

Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To		Update			
2021-22 Financial management internal controls for pension fund mirror those for the council. Reviewed annually as part of the council's internal audit programme.	25	25/07/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	2021-22 internal audit reporting to March Audit committee: Accounts payable (reasonable assurance), accounts receivable and bank and cash audits still in progress.				
2021-22 Pension Administration controls subject to council's internal audit programme.	100	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	2021-22 internal audit report presented to December 2021 audit committee - reasonable assurance. Resolution of the two medium risk exceptions raised are in progress, driven by i-connect project implementation.				
Financial Management - T	echnical Fin	<mark>ance (Pen</mark>	sion Fund)					
Risk: mismatch between inves	stment and fur	nding strateg	gies (G7)(Id: 2	03) - Assigned To: Jo	anna Thistlewood			
Description:					Inherent Rating:	Current Rating	Target Rating:	
lack of co-ordination between investment and funding risks to Consequence:	ategy and fu	ot considering	9 - Medium	9 - Medium	9 - Medium			
inaccurate calculation of requi contribution rate setting, result cost of scheme for employers. Review Date: 25/05/2022	ing in significa					(28/03/2022)		
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To		Update			
triennial valuation 2022 to consider combined funding and investment implications when identifying future contribution rates. Reporting to each pension fund committee during financial year 2022-23 (May'22 - assumptions; Jul'22 - draft council results; Nov'22 - draft employer results;	0	31/03/2023	Joanna Thistlewood					

Financial Management - T	echnical Fin	ance (Pen	sion Fund)				
Risk: disclosure of information	n legislation (G	8) (ld: 204)	Assigned To	: Joanna Thistlewood			
Description:					Inherent Rating:	Current Rating	Target Rating:
failure to comply with disclosu Consequence: data breaches	re of information	on legislatior		9 - Medium	5 - Low		
Review Date: 31/03/2022						(28/03/2022)	
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To		Update		
All councillors have been assigned the Data Protection	0	30/09/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	at 22-Mar-22 no councill	ors have completed this	training.	
Awareness course as required learning							

Financial Management - T	echnical Fin	ance (Pen	sion Fund)			
Risk: Pension Fund accounts	(G9) (Id: 205)	Assigned	I To: Joanna Thistlewood			
Description: incorrect production of Pensio records Consequence: audit qualification of accounts. Review Date: 25/05/2022			Inherent Rating: 9 - Medium	Current Rating 9 - Medium (28/03/2022)	Target Ratin	
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update		
External audit of pension fund accounts provides assurance that internal controls are operating effectively, and that management override of controls has not occurred. 2021-22 external audit work commences in June 2022 (interim audit) with final fieldwork scheduled for September/October 2022. Results to be presented to audit committee, pension committee and pension board as they become available.	0	31/12/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
attendance at relevant accounting/technical update events (virtual or face to face) to understand any changes in requirements for annual accounting and reporting - CIPFA, audit firms, SAB.	0	31/12/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			

Financial Management - T	echnical Fin	ance (Pen	sion Fund)			
Risk: policy and decisions (G	l0) (ld: 206) -	Assigned T	o: Joanna Thistlewood			
Description: failure to determine policy or n Consequence: non compliance with regulation Review Date: 25/05/2022			Inherent Rating: 9 - Medium	Current Rating 9 - Medium (28/03/2022)	Target Rating 5 - Low	
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update		
fund officers receive and circulate briefings from advisers, SAB, LGA, CIPFA, TPR etc to keep up to date with latest legislative and regulatory developments. Standing item on each committee and board meeting agenda	0	31/03/2023	Joanna Thistlewood			
guidance sought from advisers to support development and implementation of new policies as required	0	31/03/2023	Joanna Thistlewood			
Decision matrix has been approved, setting out roles and responsibilities of key parties in making and approving decisions - annual review required.	0	31/12/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			

Financial Management - T	echnical Fina	ance (Pen	sion Fund)			
Risk: Communications (A1) (ld: 207) - Assi	gned To: J	oanna Thistlewood			
Description: failure to communicate, or to c Consequence: scheme members and employ legislation, regulations and/or Review Date: 25/05/2022	ke informed	Inherent Rating: 8 - Medium	Current Rating 8 - Medium (28/03/2022)	Target Rating: 2 - Low		
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update		
employer meetings/development sessions are held as and when required. need to programme sessions to cover triennial valuation and related updates	0	31/12/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
annual benefit statements issued to all active and deferred members by statutory deadline	0	31/08/2022	Matthew Collier			
Communications policy (dated February 2019) in place. Review every three years - due Feb 2022.	0	30/06/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
Isle of Wight Council Pension Fund website in place and maintained up to date	75	31/03/2022	Matthew Collier			

Financial Management - T	echnical Fin	ance (Pen	sion Fund)				
Risk: Data quality (A2) (Id: 20	08) - <mark>Assigne</mark> d	To: Joann	a Thistlewood				
Description:					Inherent Rating:	Current Rating	Target Rating:
system	rom employers	and mainta	ined on pensions administratio	n	9 - Medium		
Consequence: errors, incorrect assessment or reputational risks Review Date: 25/05/2022	of benefit entitle	ements, und	er or over payments, leading to)			
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To		Update		
employers submit monthly data returns via i-connect portal which allows for validation of data before input to administration system	75	31/12/2022	Matthew Collier				
data quality scores, as per TPR guidance, commissioned annually - last received 2020 common data 95%; scheme specific data 96%	0	30/09/2022	Matthew Collier				
employer data regularly submitted through Hymans "brain" to identify potential errors	0	31/03/2022	Matthew Collier				

Financial Management - T	echnical Fin	ance (Pen	sion Fund)					
Risk: Employer fails to pay co	ntributions (A3) (ld: 209)	Assigned To: Joanna Thist	lewood				
Description:				1	Inherent Rating:	Current Rating	Target Rating:	
Persistent failure of scheme e employer defaulting on its wide			8 - Medium	8 - Medium				
Consequence: employer funding level is unac Review Date: 28/04/2022	s revert to o	d.		(28/03/2022)				
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	I	Update			
Monthly monitoring of receipt of employer contributions, together with escalation process where contributions have not been received - rolling annual mitigation	75	31/03/2022	Matthew Collier					

Risk: changes to national per	sion arrangem	ents (A4) (I	d: 210) - Assigned To: Joanna T	histlewood		
Description: Fund is not aware of, or fails to government and/or HMRC - e Consequence: incorrect benefits paid, inappro- complaints, non-compliance w Review Date: 25/05/2022	m public se	Inherent Rating: 14 - High	Current Rating 14 - High (28/03/2022)	Target Rating : 9 - Medium		
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update		
The Administering Authority considers all consultation papers issued by the Government and comments where appropriate. rolling annual mitigation.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
participation in networking events, webinars, subscriptions to professional organisations, liaison with advisers to ensure kept up to date with latest developments. rolling annual mitigation.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
business plan for pension fund includes these changes as they become apparent, with resource allocated as required. annual rolling mitigation.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			

Financial Management - 1	Sechnical Fina	ance (Pen	sion Fund)			
Risk: employer participation i	n LGPS (A5)(I	d: 211) - As	ssigned To: Joanna Thistlewood			
Description: Fund fails to respond to centra employer in LGPS (e.g. acade Consequence: impact on funding strategy for investment strategy Review Date: 25/05/2022	·	Inherent Rating: 9 - Medium	Current Rating 9 - Medium (28/03/2022)	Target Rating: 3 - Low		
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update		
The Administering Authority considers all consultation papers issued by the Government and comments where appropriate. rolling annual mitigation.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
participation in networking events, webinars, subscriptions to professional organisations, liaison with advisers to ensure kept up to date with latest developments. rolling annual mitigation.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
Take advice from Fund actuary on impact of changes on the Fund and amend strategies as appropriate. rolling annual mitigation.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			

Financial Management - T	echnical Fin	ance (Pen	sion Fund)			
Risk: Significant changes to a	in employer (A	6) (ld: 212)	Assigned To: Joanna Thistlewood			
Description: Administering Authority unawa fall in employee members, larg to new entrants Consequence: inappropriate funding strategy costs to be recovered. Review Date: 25/05/2022	ge number of r	Inherent Rating: 8 - Medium	Current Rating 8 - Medium (28/03/2022)	Target Rating		
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update		
early engagement with employers as part of planning for triennial valuation, to identify changes which may impact on participation in near future.	0	22/11/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
The actuary may revise the rates and adjustments certificate to increase an employer's contributions between triennial valuations	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
The Administering Authority has a close relationship with employing bodies and communicates required standards - e.g. for submission of data.	75	31/03/2022	Matthew Collier			

Financial Management - T	echnical Fin	ance (Pen	sion Fund)			
Risk: compliance with legislat	ion (A7) (Id: 2	13) - Assig i	ned To: Joanna Thistlewood			
Description: Non compliance with legislatic Consequence: incorrect assessment or paym penalties Review Date: 25/05/2022			Inherent Rating: 8 - Medium	Current Rating 8 - Medium (28/03/2022)	Target Rating 3 - Low	
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update		
training and development plans in place for all pension administration staff, identifying external events as well as in- house training. as part of annual PDR process.	0	30/06/2022	Matthew Collier			
participation in networking events, webinars, subscriptions to professional organisations, liaison with advisers to ensure kept up to date with latest developments. rolling annual mitigation.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
business plan for pension fund includes these changes as they become apparent, with resource allocated as required. annual rolling mitigation.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
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Financial Management - T Risk: Employer fails to provide			sion Fund) signed To: Joanna Thistlewood			
Description: Failure of scheme employer to Fund Consequence: delays in assessing entitlemen reputational risk Review Date: 25/05/2022	-	Inherent Rating: 8 - Medium	Current Rating 8 - Medium (28/03/2022)	Target Rating: 3 - Low		
Mitigations / Actions Administration strategy has been implemented, setting out roles and responsibilities of the Administering Authority as well as scheme employers, together with expected service standards for both. Review overdue	% Complete 0	Due Date 30/11/2022	Assigned To Joanna Thistlewood	Update		
Fund has power to levy additional costs incurred as a result of the poor performance of a scheme employer. rolling annual mitigation.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			

Financial Management - 7	Fechnical Fin	ance (Pension Fund)				
Risk: Ceasing benefits (A9)	(ld: 216) - Assi	gned To: Matthew Collier				
benefits Consequence:		ent is deceased, or no longer entitled to verpayments, increased cost to employ	4 - Lo		Current Rating 4 - Low (28/03/2022)	Target Rating: 1 - Low
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date Assigned To		Update		
participation in National Fraud Initiative	0	31/03/2023 Matthew Collier				
Regular mortality screening, to ensure pensioner deaths are picked up in a timely manner (Tell Us Once). rolling annual mitigation.	75	31/03/2022 Matthew Collier				
use of life certificates, where appropriate, for overseas pensioners. rolling annual mitigation.	0	31/03/2022 Matthew Collier				

Description:				Inherent Rating:	Current Rating	Target Rating:
Breach of administration system integrity, Consequence: loss of sensitive data and inability to pay benefits, along with reputation risk and possible financial loss Review Date: 25/05/2022				13 - High	13 - High (28/03/2022)	10 - Medium
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update		
Data "hosted" by system provider. Legal agreements require they have all necessary safeguards in place to protect data. Consideration as part of procurement specification for contract revision.	0	30/12/2022	Matthew Collier			
Fund administration staff required to undertake data protection training and adhere to the Council's corporate data protection policy. monitored as part of PDR process.	0	30/06/2022	Matthew Collier			
Pension Fund specific disaster recovery plan in place to ensure back-up systems are in place within an agreed timescale. Regularly reviewed and updated.	0	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			

Risk: Assessment of benefit e	entitlements (A	11) (ld: 218) Assigned To: Matthew C	Collier		
Description: Incorrect assessment of benefit entitlements from the administration system Consequence: under or overpayment of benefits and the disruption this can cause Review Date: 25/05/2022				Inherent Rating 8 - Medium	: Current Rating 8 - Medium (28/03/2022)	Target Rating: 5 - Low
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Upda	nte	
Have appropriate system awareness within the administration team to undertake robust testing of system updates. build into procurement specification for contract revision.	0	31/12/2022	Matthew Collier			
Ensure sufficient technical skills within the team, to be able to interrogate system output. To be factored into individual training plans as part of PDR process.	0	30/06/2022	Matthew Collier			
Attendance at appropriate technical and system training sessions in order to maintain and grow knowledge. review and reporting to be factored into PDR process.	0	30/06/2022	Matthew Collier			

Risk: Cyber risk (A12) (Id: 21	9) - Assigned	To: Joanna	a Thistlewood			
Description: System failure, breach of data security, lack of disaster recovery/Cyber attack plan Consequence: inability to process pension payments and other administrative tasks Review Date: 25/05/2022				Inherent Rating: 13 - High	Current Rating 13 - High (28/03/2022)	Target Rating: 10 - Medium
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update		
Pension Fund specific disaster recovery plan in place to ensure back-up systems are in place within an agreed timescale. Regularly reviewed and updated.	0	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
compliance with Council data security protocols and building access controls maintained.	0	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
Ensure appropriate training and awareness sessions provided to administration staff, other officers and members of the Pension Committee and Pension Board. monitored as part of annual PDR process and reported in pension fund annual report.	0	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			

Financial Management - T	echnical Fin	ance (Pen	sion Fund)			
Risk: Sufficient resources (A1	3) (ld: 220) - I	Assigned T	o: Joanna Thistlewood			
Description: Insufficient resources (staffing Consequence: inability to pay benefits, unable Review Date: 25/05/2022	. ,	·	Inherent Rating: 15 - Very High	Current Rating 12 - High (28/03/2022)	Target Rating: 9 - Medium	
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update		
commission external review of pension fund structure to ensure most effective and appropriate structure is in place - linking into Good Governance Project.	0	30/06/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
succession planning for administration team	0	30/06/2022	Matthew Collier			
Ensure appropriate strategic planning is in place, identifying resource and budgetary needs and putting them in place as required	0	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			

Description:				Inherent Rating:	Current Rating	Target Rating
Fund assets fail to deliver retuvaluation of liabilities and cont Consequence: reduction in funding level, high Review Date: 07/04/2022	ribution rates o	over the long	9 - Medium	5 - Low (28/03/2022)		
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update		
triennial valuation only anticipate long term returns on a relatively prudent basis to reduce risk of underperforming	0	31/12/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
quarterly monitoring of interim funding level reported at each pension fund committee meeting (July 2021; November 2021; February 2022) linking to review of investment performance	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
Assets invested on the basis of specialist advice, in a suitably diversified manner across assets classes, geographies, managers, etc. annual rolling review	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			

Description: investment strategy not suitab Consequence: investment returns insufficient contributions Review Date: 07/04/2022		•			Inherent Rating: 13 - High	Current Rating 5 - Low (28/03/2022)	Target Rating: 5 - Low
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To		Update	9	
2022 valuation to include further Asset Liability Modelling, and review of investment strategy in conjunction with funding strategy, to assess whether current strategy needs further revision.	0	30/11/2022	Joanna Thistlewood				
regular monitoring of performance of investments at each pension fund committee meeting, including consideration of long term performance and changes to personnel	75	25/05/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	quarterly reporting at ea 2022; May 2022	ch committee meeting	- July 2021; November 2	2021; February
investment strategy options considered as integral part of 2019 triennial valuation exercise - Asset Liability Modelling exercise	100	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood				
2019 valuation prompted introduction of new asset classes - private debt and infrastructure - to reduce exposure to growth assets and provide some income protection.	100	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood		tion) through Partners	rst investment made in J Group - first investment	
Equity rebalancing - switch from 100% active management to introduce passive allocation.	100	31/12/2021	Joanna Thistlewood	reduction in overall equit implement 18.75% alloc completed December 20	ation to UBS climate a		n - transition

Financial Management - T						
Risk: Gilt rates fall (I3) (Id: 22	23) - Assigned	To: Joann	a Thistlewood			
Description: Fall in risk-free returns on Gov Consequence: increase in value of liabilities, increase in employer contribut Review Date: 07/04/2022	reduction in fur		Inherent Rating: 5 - Low	Current Rating 5 - Low (28/03/2022)	Target Rating 5 - Low	
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update		
the fund maintains a holding in Bonds (fixed income) which will help to offset or mitigate the impact of falling yields. Strategic investment asset allocation is monitored at each triennial valuation to determine need for any changes.	0	31/12/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
2022 valuation to include further Asset Liability Modelling, and review of investment strategy in conjunction with funding strategy, to assess whether current strategy needs further revision.	0	30/11/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
quarterly monitoring of interim funding level reported at each pension fund committee meeting (July 2021; November 2021; February 2022) linking to review of investment performance	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			

Financial Management - T	echnical Fina	ance (Pen	sion Fund)				
Risk: Investment manager fai	lure (I4) (Id: 22	24) - Assig r	ned To: Joann	nistlewood			
Description:					Inherent Rating:	Current Rating	Target Rating
Collapse of investment manag Consequence:					10 - Medium	10 - Medium	10 - Medium
significant reduction in investment values, loss of assets, reputationa Review Date: 07/04/2022				S		(28/03/2022)	
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To		Update		
Investment assets are held by custodian, in ringfenced accounts, to protect against investment manager default	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood				
investment portfolio diversified across a number of asset managers. performance of each manager's assets is reported at each committee meeting, and any significant changes to the structure of the manager (including personnel, acquisitions, other activity) is reported to the committee.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood				
Financial stability of investment managers considered during appointment process	100	31/12/2021	Joanna Thistlewood	nsidered as part of ap estment strategy cha	ppointment process for G anges	SSAM, Partners and UB	S from 2019

Risk: Active manager underpe	erformance (15)) (ld: 225) -	Assigned To:	Joanna Thistlewood			
		(100-200)			Inherent Rating:	Current Rating	Target Rating
Description: Active investment manager ur Consequence:	·				9 - Medium	5 - Low	5 - Low
reduction in funding level, high Review Date: 04/04/2022	ner employer c	ontribution r	ates			(28/03/2022)	
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To		Update		
investment portfolio diversified across a number of asset managers. performance of each manager's assets is reported at each committee meeting, and any significant changes to the structure of the manager (including personnel, acquisitions, other activity) is reported to the committee.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood				
Equity rebalancing - switch from 100% active management to introduce passive allocation.	100	31/12/2021	Joanna Thistlewood	reduction in overall equit implement 18.75% allocations completed December 20	ation to UBS climate aw		n - transition

Financial Management - T	echnical Fin	ance (Pen	sion Fund)				
Risk: multiple asset class failu	re (I6) (Id: 22	6) - <mark>Assign</mark>	ed To: Joanna Thistlewo	od			
Description:					Inherent Rating:	Current Rating	Target Rating:
costs of meeting Fund's liabilit	sequence:						5 - Low
reduced investment values, lor Review Date: 07/04/2022	wer funding lev	/el, higher e	S				
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To		Update		
investment portfolio diversified across a number of asset managers. performance of each manager's assets is reported at each committee meeting, and any significant changes to the structure of the manager (including personnel, acquisitions, other activity) is reported to the committee.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood				

Financial Management - T	echnical Fin	ance (Pen	sion Fund)			
Risk: single asset class failure	e (I7) (Id: 227)	- Assigned	To: Joanna Thistlewood			
Description: Significant allocation to any si expectation result in difficultie Consequence: reduction in investment values employer contribution rates Review Date: 07/04/2022	unding obje	Inherent Rating: 9 - Medium	Current Rating 5 - Low (28/03/2022)	Target Rating: 5 - Low		
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update		
investment portfolio diversified across a number of asset managers. performance of each manager's assets is reported at each committee meeting, and any significant changes to the structure of the manager (including personnel, acquisitions, other activity) is reported to the committee.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
Assets invested on the basis of specialist advice, in a suitably diversified manner across assets classes, geographies, managers, etc. annual rolling review	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			

Risk: liquidity risk (I8) (Id: 228	B) - Assigned	To: Joanna	Thistlewood					
Description: Fund has insufficient liquid ass Consequence: unplanned disinvestment from value. Increase in borrowing c Review Date: 07/04/2022	assets, resulti			nd loss of investment	Inherent Rating: 5 - Low	Current Rating 5 - Low (28/03/2022)	Target Ratin 3 - Low	
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To		Update	-		
cash flow projections maintained using same system and processes as for Isle of Wight Council - daily and monthly in detail, rolling three year forecast.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood					
underlying agreement for IWC to lend money to pension fund at market rates to cover unforeseen circumstances.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	at 20 Dec, balance of $\pounds5m$ due to be repaid in mid-January 2022				
equity rebalancing plan includes provision to hold cash balances to cover future investment calls for private assets and an allocation for operational cash flow.	100	31/01/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	cash disinvestment will r created. update 21 March 2022: 4 actioned on 19 January for Private debt investme Jan); £16m held in 3 x M	£25m cash disinvestme 2022. £5m used to pay ent call (24 Jan); £1.5m	nt from Global Equity po off existing IWC loan (2 for Infrastructure invest	ortfolio 8 Jan); £2.5m	

Financial Management - T							
Risk: Environmental, Social a	nd Governance	e factors (I9) (ld: 229) - As	signed To: Joanna Th	istlewood		
Description:					Inherent Rating:	Current Rating	Target Rating
Failure to identify and manage returns	e ESG factors r	educe Fund	I's ability to ger	nerate long-term	9 - Medium	5 - Low	5 - Low
Consequence: investment values and/or inco employer contribution rates, re Review Date: 25/05/2022			ıg level, liquidity	/ issues, higher		(28/03/2022)	
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To		Update		
ESG/RI workgroup established to review fund's current beliefs and statements to ensure fit for purpose.	25	31/12/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	2 meetings held to date			
ACCESS pool developing ESG/RI guidelines which should encompass all current statements from all 11 funds. Continued involvement in the development of those guidelines at officer and elected member evel	25	30/06/2022	Joanna Thistlewood				
enquiry of investment managers when they present to pension fund committee to ensure they are following their prescribed processes and can provide suitable responses.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	Newton, Baillie Gifford a	nd Majedie will have be	en seen by committee c	during 2021-

Financial Management - T	echnical Fin	ance (Pen	sion Fund)			
Risk: Other provider risks (I10)) (Id: 230) - A	ssigned To	: Joanna Thistlewood			
Description: Other provider risks - associat lending and custody Consequence: loss of investment value and/c Review Date: 07/04/2022			Inherent Rating: 5 - Low	Current Rating 5 - Low (28/03/2022)	Target Rating: 5 - Low	
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update		
annual review of providers performance against service level agreements as part of ongoing contract management.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
Procurement timetables monitored, to ensure contract extension and/or renewal dates are managed, and reported to committee meetings as appropriate.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
The Pension Committee has the power to replace a provider should serious concerns exist	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			

Financial Management - T	echnical Fin	ance (Pen	sion Fund)			
Risk: Investment pooling (I11) (ld: 231) - As	signed To:	Joanna Thistlewood			
Description: ACCESS (investment asset per through lack of appropriate su Consequence: investments held outside pool reputational issues Review Date: 25/05/2022	b-funds, additio	Inherent Rating: 9 - Medium	Current Rating 5 - Low (28/03/2022)	Target Rating 5 - Low		
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update		
Rolling annual mitigation. Attendance at, and participation in, officer working groups at least monthly - covering investment sub-funds, illiquid asset investments, governance, etc.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
Rolling annual mitigation. Chair of pension committee or named deputy attendance at quarterly Joint Committee meetings.	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			
monitoring of government consultations, briefings, and updates from ACCESS Support Unit to ensure that fund is up-to- date with asset pooling developments and best placed to act when required	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood			

Financial Management - T	echnical Fin	ance (Pen	sion Fund)				
Risk: Pay and price inflation (F1) (ld: 232)	Assigned ⁻	Fo: Joanna Th	istlewood			
Description: Pay and price inflation signific Consequence: higher costs of benefits; increating required; higher employer con Review Date: 30/06/2022	ase in liabilities			; more investment risk	Inherent Rating: 9 - Medium	Current Rating 9 - Medium (28/03/2022)	Target Rating: 9 - Medium
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To		Update		
discussion with employers during planning for triennial valuation will ensure that fund is aware of planned salary increased, and that employers are aware of the implications of such on their employer contribution rates.	0	31/03/2023	Joanna Thistlewood				
triennial valuation process focus on real return of assets, net of price and pay increases	0	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood				
monitoring of position between valuations gives early warning	75	31/03/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	at 31 December 2021, e	stimated funding level v	vas 103%	

Financial Management - T	echnical Fin	ance (Pen	sion Fund)				
Risk: External employers (F2)	(ld: 233) - As	signed To:	Joanna Thist	lewood			
Description: Effect of possible increases in admission/scheduled bodies Consequence: unaffordable contribution rates Review Date: 07/04/2022					Inherent Rating: 9 - Medium	Current Rating 9 - Medium (28/03/2022)	Target Rating: 9 - Medium
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To		Update		
outsourced contracts, whether the Council or one of the fund's scheduled employers is letting authority, tend to have a pass through arrangement whereby employer contribution rate is fixed for the new supplier for the duration of the contract, to give certainty on contract pricing. ongoing engagement with council's procurement team and discussions with other employers.	0	31/03/2023	Joanna Thistlewood	rolling annual mitigation			
An explicit stabilisation mechanism has been agreed as part of the funding strategy. this is discussed with employers during the valuation planning stage, and when draft results are shared.	0	31/03/2023	Joanna Thistlewood				

Financial Management - T	echnical Fin	ance (Pen	sion Fund)				
Risk: Orphaned employers (F	3) (Id: 234) - /	Assigned T	o: Joanna This	stlewood			
Description: Orphaned employers give rise Consequence: liabilities in excess of allocated Review Date: 31/03/2022				yers	Inherent Rating: 4 - Low	Current Rating 4 - Low (28/03/2022)	Target Rating 2 - Low
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To		Update		
early engagement with employers nearing end of active status to plan for cessation and exit. Will also be factored into employer engagement as part of triennial valuation.	0	31/03/2023	Joanna Thistlewood	Southern Housing - fund about such an agreemen			
cessation calculations prepared promptly once last leaver confirmed. Flexibilities in FSS to allow deferred debt arrangements. if required.	0	31/03/2023	Joanna Thistlewood				

Risk: Climate change - funding implications (F4) (Id: 235) - Assigned To: Joanna Thistle	WOOD				
Description: Effect of possible underperformance as a result of ESG factors, including climate change Consequence: loss of returns through obsolete investments; reputational issues; Review Date: 31/03/2022	inherent Rating: 12 - High				
Mitigations / Actions % Complete Due Date Assigned To	Update				
triennial valuation 2022 will 0 31/12/2022 Joanna model specific climate scenarios Thistlewood in determining likelihood of achieving funding targets, and setting contribution rates. Financial Management - Technical Finance (Pension Fund)					
Risk: Longevity (F5) (Id: 236) Assigned To: Joanna Thistlewood					
Description: Pensioners living longer, thus increasing cost to the Fund Consequence: higher cost of liabilities; inappropriate investment strategy; cash flow implications; higher employer contribution rates Review Date: 31/03/2022	Inherent Rating: 8 - Medium	Current Rating 8 - Medium (28/03/2022)	Target Rating: 5 - Low		

Description:	Inherent Rating:	Current Rating	Target Rating
proportion of actively contributing employees declines relative to retired employees Consequence:	8 - Medium	8 - Medium	8 - Medium
contributions collected insufficient to pay current benefits; cash flow implications Review Date: 31/03/2022		(28/03/2022)	
Financial Management - Technical Finance (Pension Fund)			
Risk: increasing early retirements (F7) (Id: 238) Assigned To: Joanna Thistlewood	Inherent Rating:	Current Rating	Target Rating
Risk: increasing early retirements (F7) (Id: 238) Assigned To: Joanna Thistlewood Description: Deteriorating patterns of early retirement, including ill health retirements Consequence:	Inherent Rating: 4 - Low	Current Rating 4 - Low	Target Rating 4 - Low
Financial Management - Technical Finance (Pension Fund) Risk: increasing early retirements (F7) (Id: 238) Assigned To: Joanna Thistlewood Description: Deteriorating patterns of early retirement, including ill health retirements Consequence: ncrease in liabilities for employer; reduction in membership for employer hastening exit from fund, without plan; unaffordable exit for employer; risk to other employers if no guarantor/bond		Ŭ	

Risk: Freedom and Choice (F	8) (Id: 239) - A	ssigned T	b: Joanna Thistlewood				
Description: Transfers out of the Fund into resulting in change in funding Consequence: cash flow implications for payr reduction in funding level as as Review Date: 25/05/2022	level. nent of transfe				r ent Rating: 4 - Low	Current Rating 4 - Low (28/03/2022)	Target Rating 2 - Low
Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To		Update		
the vast majority of transfers out of the pension fund are to other public service schemes, very little call for F&C withdrawals	0	31/03/2023	Matthew Collier				
transfer out protocols include required checking to ensure appropriate advice has been sought by scheme member before transfer request is agreed.	0	31/03/2023	Matthew Collier				
Financial Management - T	echnical Fina	ance (Pen	sion Fund)				
Risk: failure to commission ce	ssation valuati	on (F9)(Id	240) - Assigned To: Joann	a Thistlewood			
Description: Administering Authority failing valuation for a departing Admi Consequence: employer unaware of costs of other employers Review Date: 31/03/2022	ssion Body			ion	r ent Rating: 2 - Low	Current Rating 2 - Low (28/03/2022)	Target Rating 2 - Low

Description: An employer ceasing to exist with adequate funding or adequacy of a bond Consequence: iabilities not covered; reduction in funding level; increased costs to other employers Review Date: 31/03/2022	Inherent Rating: 8 - Medium	Current Rating 8 - Medium (28/03/2022)	Target Ratin 5 - Low
Financial Management - Technical Finance (Pension Fund)			
Financial Management - Technical Finance (Pension Fund) Risk: exit credit payable (F11) (Id: 242) - Assigned To: Joanna Thistlewood			

Risk: pandemic (all) (Id: 243)	- Assigned T	o: Joanna 7	Thistlewood			
disruption to service delivery Consequence:	munication wit	n stakeholde	ic type event causing possible ers; reduction in service standards; s of practice.	Inherent Rating: 12 - High	Current Rating 12 - High (28/03/2022)	Target Rating 8 - Medium
Financial Management - T Risk: Responsible investment Description:				Inherent Rating:	Current Rating	Target Rating:
The fund fails to consider Env considering its investment stra			vernance risk factors when	12 - High	12 - High	9 - Medium
Consequence: loss of returns through obsole non-compliance with legislatio			nded assets; reputational issues; uirements.		(28/03/2022)	
Review Date: 31/03/2022				Lin dete		
	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update		
Review Date: 31/03/2022	% Complete 0	Due Date 31/03/2023	-	Update		

Mitigations / Actions	% Complete	Due Date	Assigned To	Update
fund commissioned ESG analysis and carbon footprint report in June 2021, which has informed some manager challenge, and will form baseline for future climate change actions.	0	31/03/2023	Joanna Thistlewood	
DLUHC consultation in Summer 2022 will include requirements for climate change risk and reporting - fund to be engaged in and respond to consultation	0	30/09/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	
ACCESS pool is finalising a set of combined RI guidelines encompassing the beliefs of all 11 authorities. IWCPF has delegated Technical Finance Manager to respond on its behalf. Guidelines to be finalised by September 2022.	0	30/09/2022	Joanna Thistlewood	