

WALES PENSION PARTNERSHIP JOINT GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

DATE 23 MARCH 2022

SUBJECT

HOST AUTHORITY UPDATE

RECOMMENDATIONS / KEY DECISIONS REQUIRED:

To receive an update from the host authority

REASONS:

The host authority to provide a progress update in relation to the following key areas:

- Governance
- Ongoing establishment
- Operator services
- Communications and reporting
- Training and meetings
- Resources, budget and fees

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY JOINT GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

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BRIEF SUMMARY OF PURPOSE OF REPORT

The WPP Business Plan for 2021/22 was approved by the JGC on 24 March 2021. A Quarter 3 (1 October to 31 December 2021) update is attached showing WPP's progress in relation to the Workplan, Budget and Investments sections.

Work has continued to be developed in a number of key areas, including:

- Training Plan and Business Plan
- New policies and policy reviews
- Scheme Member Rep appointment process
- Private Markets Allocator procurement process
- OWG Sub-Groups:
 - o Private Markets sub-group
 - o Responsible Investment sub-group
 - Risk Register sub-group

Next Steps / Priorities:

- Development of Private Markets Sub-Funds:
 - 23 March 2022 JGC to approve Allocator appointments for the Private Debt and Infrastructure sub funds
 - March 2022 to December 2022 Private Debt and Infrastructure sub funds to be developed, approved and launched
 - Start procurement process for the Private Equity Allocator
- Operator contract procurement process
 - Existing contract coming to an end in December 2024
 - Started discussions with Burges Salmon re legal requirements
 - Put a timeline in place
- Complete 2021/22 year-end closure of accounts
- Formulate the 2021/22 Annual Update and Annual Return

Other key areas:

- Stewardship Code the WPP is now a signatory of the UK Stewardship Code
- Training training sessions continue to be undertaken virtually
- Website the website continues to be updated with relevant news and publications

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED? YES

IMPLICATIONS

Policy, Crime & Disorder and	Legal	Finance	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications		
Equalities						
YES	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE		
Policy						
Policy and procedure documents will be formal documents for the Wales Pension Partnership.						

CONSULTATIONS

Details of any consultations undertaken are to be included here				

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report: THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW				
Title of Document	File Ref	Locations that the papers are available for		
	No.	public inspection/WEBSITE LINK		