

By: Chairman Superannuation Fund Committee
Acting Corporate Director Finance and Procurement

To: Superannuation Fund Committee –20 May 2011

Subject: **APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO THE FUND**

Classification: Unrestricted

Summary: To report on applications to join the Pension Fund.

FOR DECISION

INTRODUCTION

1. This report sets out information on applications from organisations to become admitted bodies within the Pension Fund and seeks committee approval to enter into an admission agreement with these organisations.

**MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL AND SWALE BOROUGH COUNCIL
PARKING SERVICES**

2. Maidstone Borough Council and Swale Borough Council are awarding a joint contract for the provision of their parking services, effective from 1 June 2011.
3. This involves the transfer of 11 employees to APCOA who are the preferred bidder. To ensure the continuity of pension arrangements for these employees, APCOA has made an application for admission to join the Pension Fund.
4. The application has been made under Regulation 6(2) (a) (i) of the Local Government Pension Scheme (Administration) Regulations 2008, as amended, and under this regulation the admitted body is required to provide a form of bond or indemnity. The Fund Actuary has assessed the level of bond at £69,000 and set an employer's contribution rate of 20.3%.
5. The completed questionnaire and Memorandum and Articles of Association provided by APCOA have been examined by Legal Services to ensure compliance with the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations. Legal Services have given a favourable opinion.

MILTON COURT SCHOOL DAY NURSERY

6. Milton Court School are awarding a contract to Children and Families Limited for the provision of nursery child care, effective from 1 June 2011.
7. This involves the transfer of 4 employees from Milton Court School to Children and Families Limited. To ensure the continuity of pension arrangements for these employees, Children and Families Limited have made an application for admission to join the Pension Fund.
8. The application has been made under Regulation 6 (2) (a) (i) of the Local Government Pension Scheme (Administration) Regulations 2008, as amended, and under this regulation the admitted body is required to provide a form of bond or indemnity. The Fund Actuary has assessed the level of bond at £2,000 and set an employer's contribution rate of 12%.
9. The completed questionnaire and Memorandum and Articles of Association provided by Children and Families Limited have been examined by Legal Services to ensure compliance with the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations. Legal Services have given a favourable opinion.

KCC HIGHWAY SERVICES

10. KCC is awarding a contract for the provision of highway services, effective from 1 September 2011. This is a third generation transfer of 30 staff who were previously transferred from KCC to Ringway, the current provider, in 1999.
11. There are three new tenderers in contention for the contract who are seeking admission to the Pension Fund. The names of the tenderers are COLAS, Enterprise and May Gurney Ltd.
12. To ensure the continuity of pension arrangements for these employees, all three tenderers have made an application for admission to join the Pension Fund.
13. The application has been made under Regulation 6(2) (a) (i) of the Local Government Pension Scheme (Administration) Regulations 2008, as amended, and under this regulation the admitted body is required to provide a form of bond or indemnity. The Fund Actuary has assessed the level of bond at £51,000 and set an employer's contribution rate of 17.9%.
14. The completed questionnaires and Memorandum and Articles of Association provided by the three companies have been examined by Legal Services to ensure compliance with the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations. Legal Services have given a favourable opinion.

RECOMMENDATION

15. Members are asked to agree:

- (1) the admission to the Kent County Council Pension Fund of APCOA, and
- (2) the admission to the Kent County Council Pension Fund of Children and Families Limited, and
- (3) the admission to the Kent County Council Pension Fund of the successful contractor from the three companies tendering for the KCC highways contract, and
- (4) that once legal agreements have been prepared for the above matters, the Kent County Council seal can be affixed to the legal documents.

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