

LGC Investment Seminar 2014

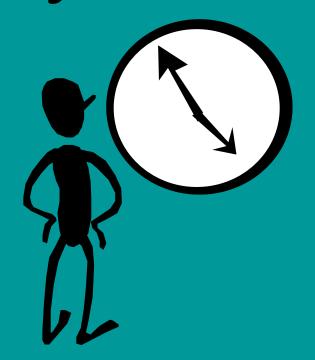
"Regulatory Oversight – the New World"

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32 Days 14 Hours











Quite Likely



The New Regulatory Framework

The Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 2013

Part 1 – membership, contributions and benefits

Part 2 – administration

Part 3 – scheme governance, cost management and pensions protection

The Local Government Pension Scheme (Transitional Provisions, Savings and Amendment) Regulations 2014



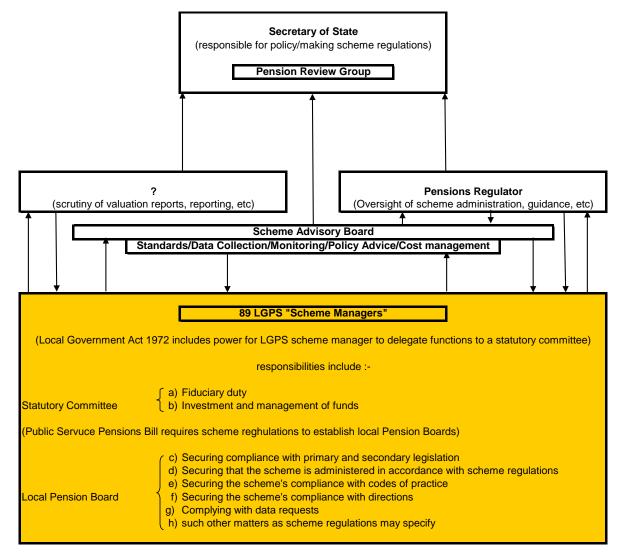
Governance - A way forward?

Responsible Authority

National Scrutiny

Scheme Advisory Board

Scheme Managers





Scheme Advisory Board

- Shadow board already in operation
- Underpinned by sub-committees
- Role of SAB defined in PSP Act 2013
- Other key issues :-
 - Legal status
 - Effective representation
 - Appointments
 - Funding
 - Information
 - Working relationships (avoid duplication)





Local Scrutiny Board?

Local Compliance Board?

Local Pension Board?

Role of Local Pension Board?



- Minimum requirements of the 2013 Act :-
 - Assisting scheme managers
 - Securing compliance with scheme regulations
 - Securing compliance with Pensions Regulator codes of practice, etc.
 - No conflict of interest
 - Provision of information to scheme managers
 - Equal number of employer and scheme member representatives
 - Scheme managers to publish information about pension boards.
- No power to make statutory decisions
- But do we go further than the compliance role?
- If so, how do we fill the gap?
- Local flexibility v central prescription.



Key policy issues:-

- Separation from scheme manager function?
- Terms of office
- Regularity of meetings
- Skills and knowledge requirements
- Information requirements
- Reporting arrangements
- Funding
- Limitations



Central Prescription

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Local Flexibility



Governance Timetable

- Primary legislation not enabled
- April 2015 start date for other schemes
- Likely start date for LGPS = April 2015
- Reasonable lead in time
- Instruct lawyers = February 2014
- Consultation = Spring 2014
- Regulations made = Summer –ish 2014!



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