

# ITEM NO: 3(b)

## GREATER MANCHESTER PENSION FUND MANAGEMENT PANEL

11 June 2010

Commenced: 10.00am

Terminated: 12.40pm

Councillor K Quinn (Chair)

Present: Councillors: Ambler, Baldwin (Wigan), Beeley, Cooney, Doubleday, J Fitzpatrick, P Harrison, W Harrison, J Lane, Middleton, Mitchell (Trafford), Pantall (Stockport), Ricci, Smith (Manchester), Sullivan, Sweeton, Taylor, White (Bolton)

Apologies for absence: Councillor Buckley and Pennington (Salford)

### 1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

### 2. CHAIR'S INTRODUCTION

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and made reference to the former Chair of the Panel, Councillor S R Oldham. He recognised Councillor Oldham's long service and dedication to the Fund and his contribution towards the many successes of the Fund over his 23 years of leadership.

The Chair extended his congratulations to Mr Bowie, Actuary to the Fund, as the new President of the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries.

### 3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel held on 5 March 2010 were signed as a correct record.

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Pension Fund Management Panel held on 5 March 2010 were signed as a correct record.

### 4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

#### (a) Urgent Items

The Chair announced that there were no urgent items for consideration at this meeting.

#### (b) Exempt Items

### RECOMMENDED

That under Section 100 (A) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded for the following items of business on the grounds that:

- (i) they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the act specified below; and
- (ii) in all circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information for reasons specified below:

<u>Items</u>	<u>Paragraphs</u>	<u>Justification</u>
7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12,13 14	3&10, 3&10, 3&10, 3&10, 3&10, 3&10, 1&10 , 3&10	Disclosure would or would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of the Fund and/or its agents, which could in turn affect the interests of the beneficiaries and/or tax payers.

## 5. APPOINTMENTS

### RECOMMENDED

That membership of the Greater Manchester Pension Fund Working Groups for the Municipal Year 2010/11 be as follows:

<u>Working Group</u>	<u>Membership</u>
Ethics and Audit	Councillors: Middleton (Chair), J Smith, Mitchell, Pantall, P Harrison, W Harrison, Sullivan, Messrs: Llewellyn, and Mulryan
Information Services	Councillors: P Harrison (Chair), Beeley, Lane, Middleton, Pantall and Mr Rayner
Local Initiatives and Venture Capital	Councillors: Cooney (Chair), Baldwin, J Smith, Pennington, Ricci, Ms: Baines and Mr Mulryan
Property	Councillors: Taylor (Chair), Baldwin, Doubleday, Pennington, J Fitzpatrick, M Smith, Sweeton, Walton, Messrs Mulryan and Thompson

## 6. ETHICS AND AUDIT WORKING GROUP

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Ethics and Audit Working Group held on 16 April 2010 were considered.

### RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.

## 7. INFORMATION SERVICES WORKING GROUP

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Information Services Working Group held on 16 April 2010 were considered.

**RESOLVED**

**That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.**

**8. LOCAL INITIATIVES AND VENTURE CAPITAL WORKING GROUP**

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Local Initiatives and Venture Capital Working Group held on 23 April 2010 were considered.

**RESOLVED**

**That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.**

**9. PROPERTY WORKING GROUP**

The Minutes of the proceedings of the Property Working Group held on 23 April 2010 were considered.

**RESOLVED**

**That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.**

**10. SUMMARY VALUATION OF THE PENSION FUND INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2009 AND 31 MARCH 2010**

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

**RESOLVED**

**That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.**

**11. UNDERWRITING, STOCKLENDING AND COMMISSION RECAPTURE**

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

**RESOLVED**

**That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.**

**12. EXTERNAL MANAGERS PERFORMANCE**

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

**RESOLVED**

**That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.**

**13. ACTUARIAL VALUATION**

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

**RESOLVED**

**That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.**

**14. ACCOUNTING FOR PENSION COSTS – FRS 17**

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

**RESOLVED**

**That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.**

**15. MAIN FUND AND LONG TERM PERFORMANCE (WM REVIEW 2009)**

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

**RESOLVED**

**That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.**

**16. LONG TERM PROPERTY PERFORMANCE (IPD REVIEW 2009 ETC)**

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

**RESOLVED**

**That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.**

**17. CASH MANAGEMENT**

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

**RESOLVED**

**That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.**

**18. REPORTS OF THE MANAGERS**

Representatives of UBS Global Asset Management and Capital International attended before Members of the Panel to comment on their investment strategy and to answer questions raised by the Advisers and Members.

**RESOLVED**

**That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.**

**19. INVESTMENT STRATEGY 2010/11**

A report of the Executive Director of Pensions was submitted.

**RESOLVED**

**That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.**

**20. ADVISOR COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

The Advisors commented on current market conditions and gave their views with regard to the position of the portfolio.

**RESOLVED**

**That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.**

**21. PROPERTY INVESTMENTS QUARTERLY REPORT**

A report of the Head of Property Investments was submitted.

**RESOLVED**

**That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.**

**22. NORTH WEST INVESTMENT FUND (JESSICA)**

A report of the Head of Property Investments was submitted.

**RESOLVED**

**That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.**

**23. STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT PRINCIPLES**

A report of the Head of Property Investments was submitted.

**RESOLVED**

**That the recommendations of the Pension Fund Advisory Panel on this matter be adopted.**

**24. GMPF NEWSLETTER**

The June 2010 issue of the above was submitted for Members information.

**25. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

The dates of future meetings for the 2010/11 municipal year were noted as follows:

10 September 2010 (AGM)

3 December 2010

4 March 2011