

Shropshire Council
Legal and Democratic Services
Guildhall
Frankwell Quay
Shrewsbury
SY3 8HQ

Date: Thursday, 12th March 2026

**Committee:
Pensions Committee**

Date: Friday, 20 March 2026

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: The Council Chamber, The Guildhall, Frankwell Quay, Shrewsbury, SY3 8HQ

You are requested to attend the above meeting.
The Agenda is attached.

There will be some access to the meeting room for members of the press and public, but this will be limited. If you wish to attend the meeting, please email democracy@shropshire.gov.uk to check that a seat will be available for you.

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The recording of the event will also be made available shortly after the meeting on the Shropshire Council YouTube Channel: [Here](#)

Tim Collard
Service Director – Legal, Governance and Planning

Members of the Committee:

Gary Groves (Chairman)
Alan Holford
Malcolm Myles-Hook
Charles Shackerley-Bennett

Co-opted Members (Voting):

Paul Davis
Zona Hannington (Vice-Chairman)

Co-opted Members (Non-Voting):

Thomas Biggins (Pensioner Representative)

David Burton (Employee Representative Shropshire Council)

Byron Cooke (Employee Representative Telford & Wrekin Council)

Substitute Members of the Committee:

Greg Ebbs (SC)

Carl Rowley (SC)

Beverley Waite (SC)

Fiona Doran (T&W)

Stephen Reynolds (T&W)

Sarah Sweeney (SC Employee Rep)

Vacancy (T&W Employee Rep)

Vacancy (Pensioner Rep)

Your Committee Officer is:

Sarah Townsend Committee Officer

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AGENDA

1 Apologies and Substitutions

To receive apologies for absence and notification of any substitutions.

2 Disclosable Interests

Members are reminded that they must declare their disclosable pecuniary interests and other registrable or non-registrable interests in any matter being considered at the meeting as set out in Appendix B of the Members' Code of Conduct and consider if they should leave the room prior to the item being considered. Further advice can be sought from the Monitoring Officer in advance of the meeting.

3 Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Pages 1 - 8)

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th December 2025 are attached for confirmation, marked 3.

Contact: Sarah Townsend (01743 257721)

4 Public Questions

To receive any questions or petitions from members of the public, notice of which has been given in accordance with Procedure Rule 14. The deadline for this meeting is 12 noon on Monday, 16th March 2026.

5 Audit Plan for Shropshire County Pension Fund 2025/26 (Pages 9 - 30)

The report of Grant Thornton is attached, marked 5.

Contact: Avtar Sohal (0121 212 4000)

6 Pension Fund Treasury Strategy 2026/27 (Pages 31 - 42)

The report of the Head of Pensions – LGPS Senior Officer is attached, marked 6.

Contact: Justin Bridges (01743 252072)

7 Pensions Administration Monitoring (Pages 43 - 62)

The report of the Pensions Administration Manager is attached, marked 7.

Contact: Vicky Jenks (01743 252192)

8 Governance (Pages 63 - 212)

The report of the Pensions Administration Manager is attached, marked 8.

Contact: Vicky Jenks (01743 252192)

9 Corporate Governance Monitoring (Pages 213 - 280)

The report of the Pensions Investment and Responsible Investment Manager is attached, marked 9.

Contact: Peter Chadderton (07990 086399)

10 Exclusion of Press and Public

To consider a resolution under paragraph 10.2 of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules that the proceedings of the Committee in relation to Agenda Items 11 to 16 shall not be conducted in public on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined by the categories specified against them.

11 Exempt Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Exempted by Category 3) (Pages 281 - 286)

The exempt minutes of the meeting held on 5th December 2025 are attached for confirmation, marked 11.

Contact: Sarah Townsend (01743 257721)

12 New Employers (Exempted by Category 3) (Pages 287 - 288)

The exempt report of the Pensions Administration Manager is attached, marked 12.

Contact: Vicky Jenks (01743 252192)

13 Financial Markets Update (Including Equity Protection) (Exempted by Category 3) (Pages 289 - 308)

The exempt presentation of Mr Colin Cartwright and Mr Luke Hammond, Aon, is attached, marked 13.

14 Investment Strategy Update (Exempted by Category 3) (Pages 309 - 340)

The exempt presentation of Mr Colin Cartwright and Mr Luke Hammond, Aon, is attached, marked 14.

**15 Investment Strategy Implementation Update (Exempted by Category 3)
(Pages 341 - 352)**

The exempt report of the Pensions Investment and Responsible Investment Manager is attached, marked 15.

Contact: Peter Chadderton (07990 086399)

**16 Investment Monitoring - Quarter to 31 December 2025 (Exempted by
Category 3) (Pages 353 - 396)**

The exempt report of the Pensions Investment and Responsible Investment Manager is attached, marked 16.

Contact: Peter Chadderton (07990 086399)