

## **Pension Fund Committee**

Meeting to be held on Friday, 12 March 2021

Electoral Division affected: (All Divisions);
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### **New Lancashire County Pension Fund Website**

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#### **Executive Summary**

This report provides the Committee with an update on the development and launch of the new Lancashire County Pension Fund website.

#### **Recommendation**

The Committee are asked to note the content of this report.

#### **Background and Advice**

A report went to the Pension Fund Committee in June 2019 for approval of the branding and logo developed for the Fund. It was the intention that the newly adopted branding for the Fund, would be subsequently used as the basis from which a new website would be created.

The Fund did not have a dedicated website, similar to other LGPS Funds in England and Wales. This was primarily a consequence of the fact that relevant Fund pages were contained within the 'Your Pensions Website'. This website was developed by the Fund, for the Fund, but was subsequently transferred to LPP Ltd. The initial plan was that LPP Ltd would continue to host the Fund pages and would look to have a dedicated area with the Fund branding. However, early in 2019, once it was determined that an area within the LPP website was not possible, the Fund decided to embark on the development of a dedicated website.

The design of the website was carried out by a third party company called Wash Design Ltd, at a cost of £2,340. Wash Design Ltd had already developed the Fund branding.

The website development was carried out by BT Lancashire Services (BTLS), which is a requirement for all internal web development.

LCC Communications provided consultancy and support throughout the project.

The website has now been developed and will go live on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2021. From that date it will be accessible from the Fund's website:

<https://www.lancashirecountypensionfund.org.uk>

Pension Fund Committee members will be able to access a copy of website prior to the go live date using the following link: <https://u-lancashirecountypensionfund-org-uk-uat.ad.lancscc.net/> . Note – access is only possible when connected to the Lancashire County Council network.

A demonstration of the new website will take place at the next training workshop scheduled for Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 2.00pm.

### **Consultations**

Consultations for the development of the website have involved the Head of Fund, the Pension Fund Committee Chair, the Pension Board, the Pension Fund Team, Wash Design Ltd, BT Lancashire Services and the LCC Communications team.

### **Implications:**

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

### **Risk management**

The Fund has a statutory responsibility to make certain documents and information publicly available and accessible. A Fund website would facilitate such public access.

### **Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985**

#### **List of Background Papers**

Paper	Date	Contact/Tel
N/A		

Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate.

N/A