

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Decision Report

Decision Maker:	Pension Fund Panel
Date:	7 December 2012
Title:	Pensioners' representative – arrangements for appointment
Reference:	4477
Report From:	Director of Corporate Resources – Corporate Services

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1. Executive Summary

- 1.1. This report provides an update on the progress of selecting a pensioners' representative for the Pension Fund.

2. Background

- 2.1. Mr EW Hughes stands down as the pensioners' representative on 31 March 2013. As reported to the Panel on 9 November 2012, 21 applications have been received for the position.
- 2.2. A shortlist of five candidates has been drawn up in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Panel. The evaluation criteria used are summarised below. The applicant must:
- be a direct and full time pensioner of the Hampshire Pension Fund (ie, not somebody who is in receipt of a pension as a widow, widower or dependant)
 - not be in any paid employment
 - have been retired for at least one year by 1 April 2013
 - be able to demonstrate that they have some financial or administrative experience to indicate that they will be able to understand and contribute to the matters dealt with by the Panel. Full training will be provided
 - not have been chief officers of Hampshire County Council in the last 5 years
 - not have been employed in the Finance Department of Hampshire County Council in the last five years

- be resident in Hampshire, Portsmouth or Southampton
- have internet access.

3. The shortlist

3.1. Five candidates have been shortlisted:

- **Clifford Allen**
Last Pension Fund employer: Portsmouth City Council
Role: Head of Corporate Learning and Development
- **Roger Mead**
Last Pension Fund employer: Hampshire County Council
Role: Assistant County Education Officer (Head of Resources)
- **Clifford Piper**
Last Pension Fund employer: Portsmouth City Council
Role: Town Planner
- **Carol Roe**
Last Pension Fund employer: Hampshire County Council
Role: Business Support Manager in Personnel and Environment
- **Andrew Rolt**
Last Pension Fund employer: Hampshire County Council
Role: Environment: Waste and Sustainability

- 3.2. The candidates have been invited to attend this meeting of the Panel, if they wish, to gain a better idea of proceedings at a Panel meeting. This will not form part of the selection process. All five candidates have accepted the invitation.
- 3.3. The five candidates will be interviewed by the Panel's sub-group in mid January 2013. The members of the sub-group are Councillors Kemp-Gee, Thacker, Dash and Giddings and Mr EW Hughes.
- 3.4. The sub-group's nomination for the selected candidate following the interviews will be considered by the full County Council at its meeting on 21 February 2013. The appointment will start on 1 April 2013.
- 3.5. The Panel agreed in June 2012 that the appointment should be for four years, after which a further full selection process will be undertaken. The appointed representative would be allowed to apply for reappointment for one further four-year term only.
- 3.6. No payment is made to the pensioner's representative other than travel expenses to meetings of the Panel and to approved training events. Conference fees for approved training events are also met by the Pension Fund.

4. Recommendation

- 4.1. That the report be noted.

CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:**Links to the Corporate Strategy**

Hampshire safer and more secure for all:	yes/no
Corporate Business plan link number (if appropriate):	
Maximising well-being:	yes/no
Corporate Business plan link number (if appropriate):	
Enhancing our quality of place:	yes/no
Corporate Business plan link number (if appropriate):	
OR	
These proposals do not link to the Corporate Strategy but, nevertheless, require decisions to agree appropriate representation of pensioners on the Pension Fund Panel.	

Other Significant Links

Links to previous Member decisions:		
<u>Title</u>	<u>Reference</u>	<u>Date</u>
Direct links to specific legislation or Government Directives		
<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>	

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

DocumentLocation

None

IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:

1. Equalities Impact Assessment:

- 1.1. Equality objectives are not considered to be adversely affected by the proposals in this report.

2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

- 2.1. The proposals in this report are not considered to have any direct impact on the prevention of crime.

3. Climate Change:

- a) How does what is being proposed impact on our carbon footprint / energy consumption?

No specific impact.

- b) How does what is being proposed consider the need to adapt to climate change, and be resilient to its longer term impacts?

No specific impact.