## LGPS 2014 - JOINT STATEMENT UPDATE ON PROGRESS OF WORKSTREAMS 1 AND 2

## **SCHEME DESIGN (WORKSTREAM 1)**

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The proposals agreed jointly by the Local Government Association (LGA) and trade unions were roundly endorsed by employers and members in a consultation exercise undertaken in the summer.

It was expected that draft regulations designed to implement these proposals would be the basis of a statutory consultation in the autumn. However the work involved in developing the details required for regulations has taken longer than initially envisaged and we would now expect regulations by the end of the year.

The delay will not change the basis of the agreement reached and we can confirm that the regulations will set out the scheme consulted on in the summer.

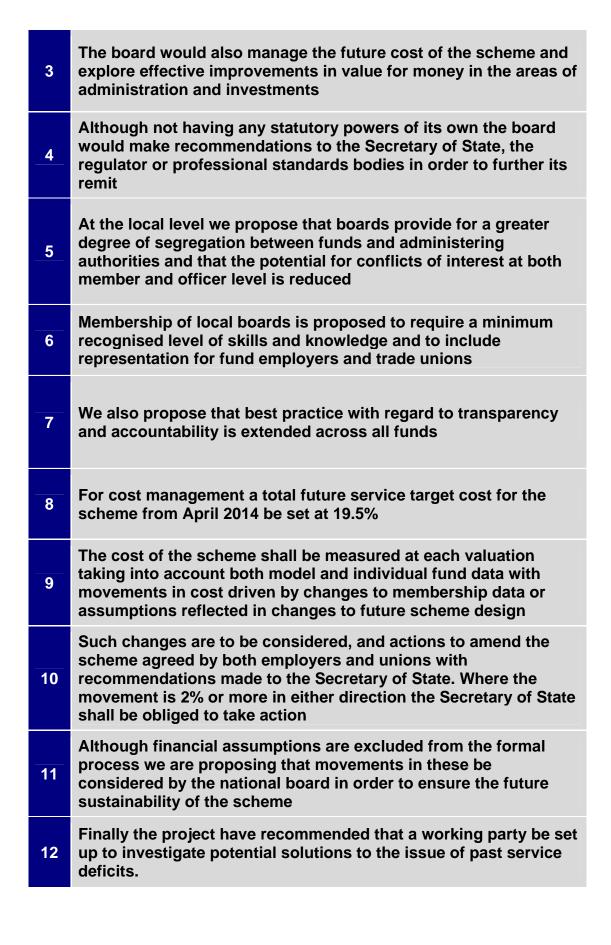
## SCHEME GOVERNANCE AND COST MANAGEMENT (WORKSTREAM 2)

The Local Government Association (LGA) and trade unions reached agreement on and submitted to government at the end of July a set of proposals covering the future governance and cost management of the scheme.

Extensive and detailed discussions have since followed with the government on these proposals and a point of final sign off has not yet been reached. However in order to clarify the nature of those discussions and to dispel any misinformation that may be circulating we set out below the essential elements of those proposals.

Both governance and cost management are equally essential to the future sustainability of the scheme and should not be considered in isolation

A national LGPS board would be set up to include representatives of scheme employers, scheme members, the government and professional bodies. The remit of the board would be to extend best practice, increase transparency, co ordinate technical and standards issues and provide an effective liaison with the scheme regulator



We shall continue to work closely with government and are seeking to agree an outcome with regard to these proposals as soon as possible. It would be our intention for narrative covering governance and cost management to be included with the draft regulations in the forthcoming statutory consultation.

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