

Leicestershire County Council Pension Fund Advisor Objectives, December 2020

Next review due December 2021

Leicestershire County Council Pension Fund Objectives	Investment consultant objectives
<p>Strategic</p> <p>Ensure members' benefits are met as they fall due.</p> <p>Support a long-term funding approach that is consistent with a stable and affordable contribution approach from the employers.</p> <p>The implications of required returns of this funding objective will be reassessed at each actuarial valuation. The current strategic return target is between 3-4% per annum in excess of CPI.</p> <p>Reduce the deficit recovery period for the Fund.</p>	<p>Advise on a suitable investment strategy and amendments to the strategy reflecting changes in market conditions, to deliver the required real return to support progress towards a long term steady state of funding and reduction in the deficit recovery time period going forward.</p> <p>Deliver an investment approach with suitable diversification and focus on predictable returns that supports meeting the Fund's cashflow, and likely evolution, and minimises the risk of forced disinvestment.</p> <p>Deliver strategic advice with an expected range of outcomes that captures the downside risk tolerance preferences of the Committee.</p>
<p>Implementation</p> <p>Ensure the Fund's investment approach is aligned with the objectives of pooling and associated guidance.</p> <p>Ensure cost efficient implementation of the Fund's investment strategy.</p> <p>Ensure an orderly transition to LGPS Central (where applicable).</p>	<p>Advise on the cost efficient implementation of the Fund's investment strategy.</p> <p>Advise on the use of solutions provided by LGPS Central as a vehicle for implementing the agreed investment strategy, and where appropriate help in the specification of LGPS Central solutions to meet the Fund's needs.</p>
<p>Governance</p> <p>Ensure the Fund's approach reflects relevant regulatory and legislative requirements.</p> <p>Develop the Committee's Responsible Investment policy and ensure this is reflected in ongoing governance and decision making processes.</p> <p>Ensure the Fund's investment objectives are supported by an effective governance framework.</p>	<p>Ensure our advice complies with relevant pensions' regulations, legislation and supporting guidance.</p> <p>Ensure our advice reflects the Committee's own policies and beliefs, including those in relation to Responsible Investment considerations.</p> <p>Provide relevant and timely advice.</p>

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