

Legal Developments in Public Sector Pensions

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36 Offices in 17 Countries



Overview

- Looking back
- Hutton
- Fair Deal
- Looking forward
- Academies
- Admission Agreements
- Auto enrolment
- De-risking & investment
- Fund consolidation?
- LGPS reforms?
- Further reform?





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- Independent Public Service Pensions
 Commission
- Interim Report 7 October 2010
- Final Report 10 March 2011
- Lots of recommendations



Looking Back – Hutton

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- Negotiations with Unions
 - March 2011 onwards
- Heads of Terms
 - December 2011
- Implementation
 - April 2012 onwards
- Application in Scotland



Looking Back – Fair Deal

- 1999 & updated 2004
 - Future pension provision
 - Accrued pension rights
- "Consultation on the Fair Deal policy: Treatment of pensions on compulsory transfer of staff from the public sector"
 - Published 3 March 2011
 - Closed 15 June 2011
 - 3 options



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• Written ministerial statement issued by Danny Alexander on 4 July 2011:

"the Government has reviewed the Fair Deal policy and agreed to maintain the overall approach, but deliver this by offering access to public service pension schemes for transferring staff"

- Broadly comparable schemes?
- Autumn 2012



Looking Forward – Academies

- Scheduled Body Employer
- Transfer of deficit relating to past pensionable service
 - transferring employees
 - "non-actives"
- Employer Contribution Rate
 - individual
 - pooled



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- The Local Government Pension Scheme (Miscellaneous) Regulations 2012
- 1 October 2012 in England & Wales
 - Scottish equivalent?
- Several changes
 - separate admission agreements
 - requirement for a bond or indemnity
 - transferee and community admission bodies
 - actuarial valuation on exit
- Issues



Looking Forward – Auto enrolment

- The Local Government Pension Scheme
 (Miscellaneous) Regulations 2012
- Regulation 13 of the Administration Regulations
- 1 October 2012 in England & Wales
 - Scottish equivalent?



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Looking Forward – Auto enrolment

- Automatic enrolment
 - Eligible employees
 - 1st day of employment
 - 1st day that employer becomes a scheme employer
 - Employment contracts less than three months
- Admission bodies
 - Designation date
 - Employment contracts less than three months

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Looking Forward – De-risking

- 1st LGPS Buy In
 - The West Midlands Integrated Transport Authority
 (ITA) Pension Fund
- Pensioner liabilities only
- Bulk annuity from Prudential
- Other de-risking
- LDI
- Data cleansing
- Risk benefits insurance
- Diversification





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Looking Forward - Investment

- The Local Government Pension Scheme (Management and Investment of Funds) (Scotland) Regulations 2010
- Reform?
- Infrastructure?
- NAPF platform



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Looking Forward – Fund consolidation?

- Pathfinder
- 5 superfunds?
 - 101 funds with £150bn assets
 - 5 superfunds with £30bn assets
- London
 - April 2012
 - £30bn superfund
 - 2016?
- Wales?



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Any questions?

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