Surrey Pension Fund

Pass through

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Current admissions approach

Joining the Fund

Periodic review

- past service benefits for outsourced members transferred
- contractor set up "fully funded"
- starting contribution rate calculated by Fund actuary
- indemnity required by contractor

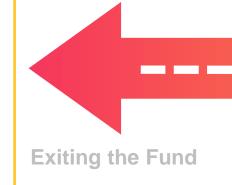
Exiting the Fund

Pension risk passed to contractor during the period of admission

Current admissions approach

Joining the Periodic review

- contribution rate reviewed and adjusted at every formal valuation
- strain costs met by contractor
- indemnity renewals advised annually
- may have requirement to process accounts annually



Pension risk passed to contractor during the period of admission

Current admissions approach

Joining the Fund

Periodic review

- cessation valuation required
- may lead to payment of cessation debt by contractor (or exit credit by Fund)
- contractor leaves with no further obligations and assets and liabilities revert to letting authority

Exiting the Fund

Pension risk passed to contractor during the period of admission

Pass-through approach



Joining the Fund Exiting the Fund

- assets and liabilities retained by letting authority during participation period
- contribution rate equal to primary rate of letting authority
- no indemnity required

 employer meets cost of augmentations, including unreduced ill health retirement (non-ill health)

 no cessation valuation required

Most pension risk retained by letting authority during the period of admission

Benefits of pass-through









Administering authority

- easier to understand pension responsibilities
- avoids exit credits
- negotiate better contract terms
- clearer and more consistent tendering

- bears less pension risk
- certainty of contributions
- no potential cessation debt to pay at contract end
- no bond requirement

- easier administration
- reduced administrative costs
- reduced time costs



Risks of pass-through









Administering authority

- assets and liabilities remain on accounting balance sheet
- loss of potential cessation debt at contract end
- loss of potential exit credit at contract end
- potential for overpaying pension costs during contract
- introduction and maintenance of clear policy
- not mandatory, so benefits may not be realised if traditional admission process followed





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