

# Compliance and Reporting Committee (CRC)

## HYBRID MEETING – 17 February 2025

### ITEM 10 PAPER F

#### Workplan update

#### Current position

1. When the committee last met in October 2024, the secretariat was asked to bring a timetable of work to the next meeting, which can be found at Annex A.
2. This paper usually summarises the meetings and work undertaken by each of the CRC's workstreams since the last CRC meeting. As the discussion at each of the working group meetings since the last committee have centred around the Government's LGPS Fit for the Future consultation, and the Board's response, the secretariat is also presenting separate papers for each workstream and the relevant item numbers for each can be found below.

#### Audit Issues

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Lead Officer	Nemashe Sivayogan (Merton LB)
Supported by	Melanie Stokes (Staffordshire); Sara Maxey (Essex); Nick Harvey (CIPFA); Melissa Kelly (Cornwall); Peter Worth (TAS Accounting); Joana Marfoh (Islington LB); Bola Tobun (Southwark LB); Jack Bower (The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW)); Ben Lavelle (MHCLG) and Jelena Peet (Wiltshire)
Start date	August 2022
Target completion date	Ongoing
Meetings since October 2024:	13 January 2025
Current position	Update provided at item 7

#### Knowledge and Skills

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Lead Officer	John Jones (Local Pension Board Chair at Dyfed Pension Fund and Tower Hamlets Pension Fund)
Supported by	Karen Gibson (Dorset); Nick Harvey (CIPFA); Heidi Catherall (Cheshire); Justin Bridges

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(Shropshire); Amanda Crawford (Essex); Will King (MHCLG); Ian Colvin (Hymans) and Catherine Pearce (AON)

Start Date	December 2022
Target Completion Date	Ongoing
Meetings since October 2025	14 January 2025
Current position	Update provided at item 8

## **Good Governance and Administration**

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Lead Officer	Jeff Dong (Swansea)
Supported by	Kevin Gerard (Carmarthenshire); Nick Harvey (CIPFA); Will King (MHCLG); Nemashe Sivayogan (Merton LB); Jo Quarterman (Norfolk); Matt Mott (West Yorkshire) and Amanda Crawford (Essex)
Start Date	November 2022
Target completion date	Ongoing
Meetings since October 2024:	16 December 2024 and 3 February 2025

### **Current position**

## **Peer support (added in November 2024)**

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Lead Officer	To be confirmed
Supported by	To be confirmed
Start Date	November 2024
Target completion date	December 2025 (initially)
Current position	Update provided at item 6

## **Recommendation**

For the Committee to accept the actions as set out in this report and at annex A.

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## Annex A

The below workplan details the work that each working group will be focusing on in 2025. We will put this workplan on the SAB website to ensure that administering authorities are aware of the items the CRC and its working groups are inputting into.

Workstream	Details	Timescales
Audit issues	To support administering authorities and scheme employers through the audit process. Lobbying government on the proposal for decoupling the pension fund accounts from the main administering authority accounts  To schedule the next Audit Roundtable event	Dependent on response to audit consultation and introduction of audit reform Bill.  The next Audit Roundtable meeting potentially to be scheduled for July
Knowledge and skills	To update the current knowledge and skills guidance, specifically looking at the guidance for creating a Training Strategy	TBC – more information needed on Fit for the Future Government response
Good Governance and Administration	To input into the updates required to governance guidance and create new administration guidance	TBC – more information needed on Fit for the Future Government response

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Workstream	Details	Timescales
Peer Support	To scope out the possibility of creating a LGPS peer support offer	November 2025 for a proposal to be delivered to the Board which has been approved by the CRC and discussed by the working group
Annual Report guidance	To consider any changes needed to the guidance, considering the outcome of the Fit for the Future consultation and feedback from funds	TBC – more information needed on Fit for the Future Government response and for fund feedback to be received on first year reporting to the new guidance

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