

The Local Government Pensions Committee  
Secretary: Jeff Houston

## **CIRCULAR**

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**ELEVENTH ANNUAL LGPS “TRUSTEES” CONFERENCE**

**19<sup>TH</sup> & 20<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2014 – BOURNEMOUTH**

**“WINNING THE GAME”**

**Purpose of this circular:**

1. This Circular has been issued to announce the eleventh Annual LGPS Trustees’ conference organised by the Local Government Pensions Committee (LGPC).

**Background:**

2. Responding to numerous requests from elected members, the LGPC staged an inaugural trustees’ conference at York back in September 2003. The conference was specifically aimed at elected members with responsibility for the Local Government Pension Scheme in their area, and a number of speakers addressed issues from a “trustee” perspective. It has since become a popular annual event.

## Intended Audience

3. Delegate places have never been restricted to elected members only; indeed the conference has been attended by many officers who either support pension committees or hold pension fund investment or administration responsibilities, along with trade union and other scheme member representatives.

## Venue and Programme

4. The conference programme will have its popular lunchtime-to-lunchtime format commencing on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> and concluding on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2014. Having previously been held at numerous locations across Great Britain (e.g. Blackpool in 2012, Sheffield in 2013), the conference heads south this year and makes a return visit to the Marriott Highcliff Hotel in Bournemouth - see: <http://www.marriott.co.uk/hotels/travel/bohbm-bournemouth-highcliff-marriott-hotel/>
5. The conference is now bookable (see the section below on 'Cost and Booking'). At this stage, the programme is yet to be finalized and it is envisaged that a further Circular will be issued before Easter 2014 which will include a full programme of events.
6. If you wish to discuss speaking or sponsorship opportunities, please contact the Pensions Training and Development Manager in the first instance by email to [tim.hazlewood@local.gov.uk](mailto:tim.hazlewood@local.gov.uk)

## Cost and booking

7. **The conference fee is all-inclusive.** All meals from arrival to departure, overnight accommodation at the Marriott, and all delegate materials are included in the conference fee which is £495 plus VAT. The conference also includes a celebrity after-dinner speaker courtesy of Prudential and a delegate gift courtesy of Investec Asset Management.
8. If delegates wish to stay the night before it is their responsibility to book this direct with the Marriott Hotel. When booking, please quote that you are attending this conference and a discounted rate should be applied and the Hotel will ensure that you have the same room on both nights.

9. Early booking is highly recommended as places are limited. Although final details of the conference will follow in another Circular, in order to avoid any disappointment, the event has been uploaded on our on-line events booking facility which is part of the Local Government Association website at:  
<http://www.local.gov.uk/web/lgaworkforcepensions/training-and-events>  
Delegates who book their places early will receive an email with an advanced copy of the Circular, so it is important that correct delegate email information is supplied when booking.
10. Please be sure to note our cancellation policy contained in our Terms and Conditions which you will be asked to confirm you have read when completing your booking details on the booking events page. You will also need full delegate details to hand including the address to which the invoice for payment is to be sent.
11. Purchase order numbers must also be provided if required by your organisation to pay invoices. To avoid any disappointment, as it is anticipated that this Conference will sell out quickly, it is recommended that you book your place and once your PO has been raised to let Elaine English [elaine.english@local.gov.uk](mailto:elaine.english@local.gov.uk) know and she will add it to your booking and ensure it is presented on your final invoice.
12. If you experience any difficulties in using the on-line website booking facility, please contact Elaine English, LGPS Executive Officer, by email [elaine.english@local.gov.uk](mailto:elaine.english@local.gov.uk)

### **ACTIONS FOR ADMINISTERING AUTHORITIES**

13. Administering Authorities are urged to bring this Circular to the attention of all Pension Committee/Panel members and those who attend/advise the meetings, sub-committees etc.

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