

CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL

**Powys Pension Board
5th March 2019**

REPORT BY: Board Secretary

SUBJECT: Cyber Security - Update

REPORT FOR: Information

1. Summary

This report provides Board with an update of the measures put in place by software providers and the Powys County Council IT infrastructure, with regards to cyber and online security risk.

2. Pensions Administration

2.1 The Powys Pension Fund currently use the Altair Pension Administration system on a hosted basis, provided by Heywood.

2.2 Assurances

- a) A list of measures operated by Heywood have been provided to the Fund including data encryption, firewalls, system monitoring facilities and regular penetration testing.
- b) The listed measures, together with existing policies and procedures ensures effective controls are in place to meet the requirements of the ISO standards.

3. Pensioner Payroll

3.1 Pensioner payroll is provided by Powys County Council, who operate the Midland HR Trent system, on a hosted basis.

3.2 Assurances

- a) A similar list of measures operated by Midland HR have been provided to the Fund detailing the systems and procedures that Midland HR operate to protect the system and data stored on it.
- b) The listed measures, together with existing policies and procedures ensures effective controls are in place to meet the requirements of the ISO standards.

4. Powys County Council

4.1 All other Fund IT requirements are provided by Powys County Council, as the administering authority.

4.2 Assurances

Currently awaiting confirmation. The detail will be passed to the Board once available.

5. Training

It is the intention of the Fund to provide training on cyber security to the Committee at the July meeting with the invite to be extended to include Board members.

6. Recommendation

Board are asked to note the contents of this report.