



### About the South West Pension Funds:

The 10 Pension Funds manage £27.5bn of pension savings on behalf of more than half a million scheme members and representing around 2,000 different organisations across the south west, including local authorities, police and fire authorities and schools which have become academies.

### About Denise (Independent Chair):

Denise who hails from Canada has a background that straddles both the financial sector and local government. This included being Vice President of Chase Manhattan Bank, North America 1988 to 1993. Denise has been a leading councillor at Surrey County Council for eight years and for that period has been the Chair of the Surrey Pension Fund – a £3.9 billion Fund. During this period Denise has been a Cabinet Member for Business Services and Resident Experience at the County Council and previously had the Property, Planning and Human Resources Portfolios at Waverley Borough Council. Denise did not seek re-election this May and will be focusing on this and other board roles.

Denise has extensive experience of leading boards and committees, including being a Trustee Director of JP Morgan Chase UK Retirement Plan. Denise also holds several national Pension roles, including:

- **Chair of the Local Government Pension Committee (LGPC)** – The Committee established by the Local Government Association (LGA) to represent employers interests to central government and other bodies on pensions policy, as well as providing technical advice and full training programmes on the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) to councillors, officers and anyone with an interest of working within the LGPS.
- **Vice-Chair of the Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF)** – LAPFF is the UK's leading shareholder engagement group bringing together 73 LGPS funds from across the country with combined assets of over £175 billion to provide a unique opportunity for those funds to discuss and set out the highest standards around corporate governance and responsibility, long term investment interests and shareholder engagement.
- **LGPS Scheme Advisory Board (SAB) Member** – Denise, as the representative of County Councils has been a key member of SAB at DCLG since it was established, providing advice to the Secretary of State on structural reform of the LGPS.

### About Mike (Non-Executive Director):

Mike Clark has four decades of finance sector experience including 21 years at Russell Investments where he relished engaging with the complexity of the investment system and its multiple stakeholders. Mike has contributed to public policy over many years: Myners Review, Kay Review, UN Principles for Responsible Investing and the FSB Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosure. He also has extensive sustainable and responsible investment

experience. He is a Fellow of the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries (FIA) and has an MA in Mathematics and Computer Science.

**About Frédérique (Non-Executive Director):**

Frédérique Pierre-Pierre has over 25 years' experience in the banking industry across a broad sphere of business development and tailored financial solutions. An established Trustee and NED, her last Executive function was as COO and CIO office in Asset Management at Deutsche Bank. She also was Head of Strategic Solutions in Asset Management and Private Banking at Credit Suisse. Frédérique has a Law Degree from the University of Sorbonne and LLM from Kings College London. She also has an extensive background in derivatives.

**About Steve (Shareholder Non-Executive Director):**

Steve Tyson has extensive experience as a trustee, director and adviser for public and private sector pension schemes and is a Senior Adviser at Allenbridge. A former CEO and CIO at Manulife Asset Management Europe, Steve brings extensive experience in operating in a regulated environment and working within multi-stakeholder public bodies including the LGPS. He is currently an independent adviser to two of the Brunel funds – Devon and Gloucestershire - and as such, has a good understanding of the Brunel ethos and culture. Steve has a strong connection with Bristol as he graduated from Bristol University with BSc (Hons) Mathematical Science.

**About Dawn (CEO):**

Dawn was the Interim Managing Director for Brunel Pension Partnership, she has led BPP since August 2015 and is part of the Local Government Pension Scheme Cross Pool Collaboration Group looking at matters that will impact all the pools and leads the Responsible Investment Sub group.

Dawn has been at the helm of the Environment Agency Pension Fund for four years which is a global leader in Responsible Investment (RI) and she is passionate about the role of pension funds in moving to a more sustainable business world. Highlighting the need for robust governance, valuing human resources and the effective management of climate and water related risks to protect investment returns. Dawn is a member of the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries (IFOA) ESG Investment Working Group and the Pensions Life Saving Association (PLSA) Local Authority Committee. Dawn is also deputy chair of the Gwent Police Joint Audit Committee.

In addition, Dawn draws insights from a wealth of experience as a finance professional for over 30 years, including floatation of a major clothing company, managing the implications of mergers and monopolies commission review of the brewing industry and managing the financial separation of Environment Agency Wales from the Environment Agency as EA Wales became part of Natural Resources Wales.

### About Laura (CCRO):

Laura has over 20 years' experience in Risk and Compliance within asset management, the majority of which has been within the institutional fund management area, most notably Barclays Global Investors (now BlackRock) and Schroders. She was most recently Head of Risk for a large wealth manager in London. A West Country girl at heart, living locally, she is now looking forward to working locally too. Laura graduated from Exeter University with a degree in Biology with Chemistry and is currently finishing her MSc in Coaching and Behavioural Change at Henley Business School.

### About Mark (CIO):

Mark has over 30 years investment experience. As CIO of the EAPF, he has developed their investment strategy to include allocations to real assets, smart beta and private debt. He has been actively involved in the ongoing development of infrastructure investing. He has helped shape the EAPF's award winning responsible investment strategy over the last decade - most recently on the Policy to Address the Impacts of Climate Change. Previously, Mark has managed responsible investments for charities, developed impact investment opportunities for clients, and advised fund managers and asset owners, including Universities Superannuation Scheme and Aviva, on improving their investment processes and integrating sustainability considerations. He has a mathematics degree from Cambridge and is a Chartered Fellow of the Chartered Institute for Securities and Investment.

### About Joe (COO):

Joe has over a decade of experience working in the Banking Industry, in both COO and Finance positions. Joining from Deutsche Bank where he recently was the Global Finance Director for Equity Trading, with front to back control responsibility for a large high volume business. In addition he has been leading a transformational change project to resolve portfolio reference data challenges. Joe is a qualified Management Accountant and has a degree in Mathematics from the University of Sheffield.

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**BPP Ltd leadership team (from left to right):**

Mike Clark (Non-Executive Director), Mark Mansley (Chief Investment Officer), Dawn Turner (Chief Executive Officer), Denise Le Gal (Independent Chair), Steve Tyson (Shareholder Non-Executive Director), Laura Chappell (Chief Compliance and Risk Officer)