

Questionnaire for the Members of the Finance Advisory Committee - Responses

	Question	Response
1	How do you think the Committee has performed over the course of the year?	<p>A. The Committee has overall checked all financial indicators and has been active in participating in all decisions and noting of reports.</p> <p>B. Performed well.</p> <p>C. I think sometimes there is not enough involvement by all Members and not enough questions. The Chairing is good.</p> <p>D. Very well, evidenced by the fact that the finance function at SDC is performing well above standard.</p>
2	Do you think the Committee has addressed the correct subjects? If not, what subjects would you like to see included in its agenda?	<p>A. No comment.</p> <p>B. Yes, correct subjects, but could hear more about pensions, how they are run and how they are running.</p> <p>C. Yes I think the agendas are very well balanced and cover the key issues.</p> <p>D. Yes, I do believe that it has although more oversight of the finances for the investment SPV would be preferred.</p>
3	What is your view on the quality of the reports received?	<p>A. The reports are well written and exhaustive maybe too much so and could be considerably shortened if the same observations and facts were not repeated over and over.</p> <p>B. The reports are short, informative and to the point.</p> <p>C. The officers provide very high quality and well laid out reports.</p> <p>D. Excellent.</p>
4	Is the level of detail correct?	<p>A. Detail is needed in order for scrutiny etc. to be effective and comprehensive. However if just the basic points could be bulleted/highlighted/outlined maybe it would ensure all reports were read by all committee members.</p> <p>B. Correct.</p> <p>C. Yes</p> <p>D. Yes</p>
5	What improvements would you like to see in reports?	<p>A. As above.</p> <p>B. No improvement needed.</p>

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		<p>C. Perhaps pose a couple of key questions to members on each report to elicit thought and questions but in general the reports are very good.</p> <p>D. Executive Summary style page covering key decisions to be made.</p>
6	<p>a) Do you think your personal contribution has been effective?</p> <p>b) What steps do you think could be taken to improve your personal contribution further?</p>	<p>A. I am sure I am personally contributing and feel it is essential I be seen to have read and digested the entire agenda and reports pre a meeting. However, they are tedious and hard going and it takes determination to get through them, concentrate and understand their contents. I appreciate the effort officers are making to present and write these reports but just feel they would better absorbed if they weren't so wordy and that may result in more interaction at the meeting.</p> <p>B. Effective.</p> <p>C. Yes.</p> <p>D. I believe I have and will continue to contribute.</p> <p>A. Hopefully none as I hope I am seen to contribute at each meeting.</p> <p>B. No comment.</p> <p>C. As above - pose specific questions to get views - maybe ask each member to bring questions.</p> <p>D. Increased activity in committee's going forward.</p>
7	Any other comments	<p>A. As above.</p> <p>B. A very useful committee.</p> <p>C. Brainstorm some issues i.e. without reports / blue sky thinking?</p> <p>D. None</p>