



The-Pensions-Net-Work

"Leading Thought in Long Term Savings"

Thursday, 7th September 2023

Online meeting

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

After another very successful face to face meeting in Basingstoke in June when the feedback was extremely positive I am pleased to confirm the topic for our September virtual panel discussion. As I am sure all of you are aware the DWP produced a bundle of "goodies" in the form of consultation and feedback papers in mid-July. The subjects covered included value for money, auto-enrolment, BD scheme consolidation, the role of trustees, small "pots", infrastructure investment and understanding pension choices. Clearly there are too many topics to cover in a 90 minute session so we've decided to focus on two particular areas - the value for money framework document published jointly by the DWP with the FCA & TPR on 25th July and the DWP consultation document "Helping Savers understand their Pension Choices" published on 14th July. This 90 minute session should be illuminating and thought provoking and I fully expect another lively discussion.

Discussion Topic

"Value for Money: A framework on metrics, standards and disclosures"
and "Helping Savers understand their Pension Choices"

Panellists



Des Healy

ESG, Productive Finance and VFM Policy Manager, Private Pensions Policy, DWP



Mick McAteer

Founder and Co-Director Financial Inclusion Centre



John Canavan

Senior Policy Adviser Department for Work and Pensions



Anne Sander

Client Director Zedra

Des joined the Civil Service and DWP in 2001 and for the past year he has been the DWP policy manager with responsibility for Productive Finance, Value for Money and ESG measures. Prior to this Des was the policy manager responsible for developing a new legislative and authorisation framework for DB Superfunds. Des also led the former DB pension contracting out, GMP equalisation and multi-employer policy teams.

Mick is no stranger to TPNW having spoken at a number of previous meetings. Formerly Principal Policy Adviser at Which, he is a high-profile consumer advocate, and economic and social justice campaigner at UK and EU level. He is Co-Director, Financial Inclusion Centre and has a number of other important positions and roles in the UK and in Europe. Mick is sure to have some strong views and liven up the discussion

John works in the Personal Pension Policy area of DWP. He has the policy lead for pension transfers, pension scams and decumulation. He joined the pensions policy team in July 2019, prior to which he worked on labour market policy and front line operational delivery in DWP and its predecessors.

Anne has worked in the pensions and investment industry for 30 years and brings extensive global actuarial, investment strategy, risk management, and governance experience. She is passionate about ensuring pension fund members get the benefits to which they are entitled. Anne is currently the Chair of the Money Purchase Committee for the Aviva Staff Pension Scheme, and incoming head of the Zedra GAA.



Please book your place in advance via enquiries@the-net-work-meetings.com
 We look forward to "seeing" you.

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