

Board for Actuarial Standards

# Highlights from plenary 3: Our Changing World and a Pensions TAS update

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## Today's agenda

- Our changing world
  - BAS - the story to date
  - actuarial work in the new regime
  - BAS - the future
- Pensions TAS update
  - consultation responses
  - next steps



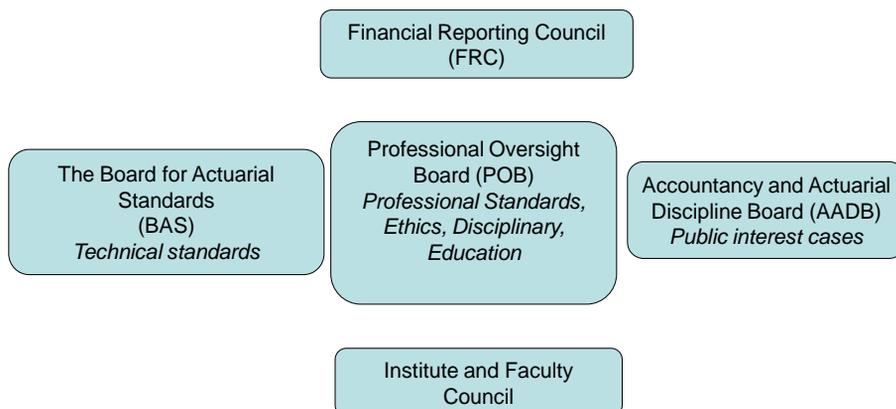
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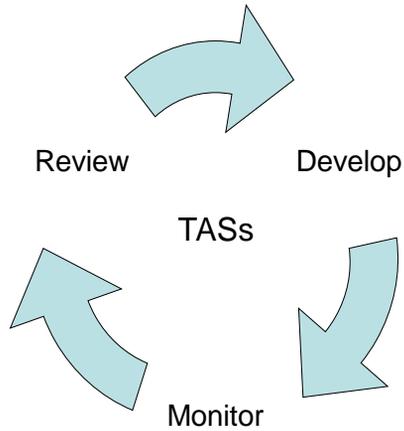
## Working with new regulation – the TASs

- Experience to date
- Compliance with TASs
  - think user
  - communicate clearly
  - explain risk and uncertainty
  - be proportionate
  - use common sense

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# BAS - the future



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# Pensions TAS Update



## Who responded?

- 19 firms of actuaries/insurance companies
- 6 professional organisations
- PPF, DWP
- 1 pensioner organisation
- 1 pensioner
- 1 individual actuary

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## Pensions ED

Part C	Scope
Part D	General principles
Part E	Schemes subject to Scheme Funding
Part F	Other funded schemes

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## Proposed scope

Reserved Work

Funding work for contribution decisions

Funding work for investment decisions

Scheme changes – trustee work

Bulk transfers/wind-ups - trustee work

Factor-related work

DC Projections

Sponsor scheme funding

Company accounts

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## Part D – General principles

Assumptions

General considerations

Changes

Discount rates

Mortality

Information

Matters affecting benefits

Member calculations

Instructions for administrators

Information for trustees

Financial statements

Materiality

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## E.4.2 –neutral estimates

Aggregate reports which include a prudent estimate of the value of the liabilities of a pension scheme shall include:

- a) an approximate **neutral** estimate of the value of the liabilities;
- b) an explanation of the relationship between the prudent and **neutral** estimates; and
- c) an explanation of a change to the relationship between the prudent and **neutral** estimates from the previous exercise, if any.

## Scheme Funding report

Data and information used

Methodology and assumptions

Analysis of surplus

Projection of next SF exercise

Projected cash flows

Risk and uncertainty

Impact on benefits if wound up

Results and decisions

Understandable to **informed reader**

## Other ED questions

- Commencement date
- GN transition
- Impact assessment

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## Questions

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