

John Lewis Partnership Pensions Trust uses BoardPacks to improve board-level collaboration

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02 June – UK – The John Lewis Partnership Pensions Trust is using the BoardPacks (<http://www.boardpacks.com/>) online board portal to improve board-level collaboration and information sharing at a senior level.

The John Lewis Partnership Pensions Trust looks after all matters relating to pensions within John Lewis, offering non-contributory defined benefit and defined contribution pensions to more than 130,000 people, many of which are current employees.

It requires a minimum of 26 board and sub-committee meetings each year to ensure the smooth running of the Pensions Trust, each of which requires extensive preparation to arrange and to create materials for. This was a drain on time and resource, so the Trustee Services team reviewed the online board portal options available, before choosing eShare (<http://eshare.co.uk/>)'s platform, BoardPacks.

Bethany Elliott, Trustee Support Officer, Trustee Services said: "BoardPacks looks amazing and it is really simple to use, so our executives were able to pick it up very quickly."

BoardPacks is a board meeting management portal from technology firm eShare, and is used to improve information sharing at a senior level, specifically on the preparation of board packs for meetings.

Of particular interest to the Trustee was the central knowledge library within BoardPacks, which stores documents and information securely, and also the controls area which records and maps out risks. Additionally, it is now much easier to update board meeting materials, meaning significant time is saved on preparation for meetings.

"We love the sheer speed of communication now, and also the ability to easily refer back to what was said in previous meetings," continued Bethany Elliott. "Our Trustees have really engaged with BoardPacks so far and it has given us confidence to adopt a fully-digital approach to our board meetings."

BoardPacks comes with an Android and iOS app, that allows administrators to manage meetings and put all information their board members need right at their fingertips. This also means users have secure and easy access to the most up to date information relating to their meetings while on the move, and can amend and annotate materials too.

"Digital tools such as BoardPacks make collaboration much more effective and BoardPacks' mobile functionality is particularly useful to users at John Lewis Partnership Pensions Trust," said Alister Esam, CEO, eShare. "And with governance such a hot topic in both retail and the pensions industry, BoardPacks' governance tools for monitoring risks, decisions, and procedures, helps create transparency and auditability for governance activities."

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