



Peter Askins
Director



Peter was appointed as a Director of Independent Trustee Services Limited in March 2008 bringing extensive experience of pension policy and the regulatory regime.

Peter is a well known industry figure from a long career at the DWP. He is our Lead Director on a number of appointments with a particular interest in the issues facing small and medium sized schemes. His in depth knowledge of pensions' policy and regulation provides assurance to trustees and employers that governance standards in their schemes will be high. Given his wide ranging experience Peter is in demand as a speaker at a wide range of pensions linked events.

Peter's experience includes...

- Taking the lead in overseeing a complex corporate transaction where he has sole trustee responsibilities in 3 schemes in a much larger corporate group.
- He has also has lead responsibility as a co-trustee to schemes for an overseas bank and a major construction company.
- Chairing two Co-operative pension schemes that faced considerable conflict issues and in the process of closing to future accrual.
- Working with sponsoring employers to develop initiatives to reduce PPF levies and cash flow by utilising contingent assets such as company property and escrow accounts.
- Lead Director on a sole trustee appointment of ITS to a non-associated multi-employer scheme designed to reduce the costs of small to medium sized schemes.
- Negotiating proportionate and cost effective service agreements with advisers and administrators.
- Whilst at DWP Peter had responsibility for 28 regulated areas of pensions policy including Trustee Knowledge and Understanding, Internal Controls, Conflicts of Interest, Myners Principles, and Social Environmental and Ethical Investment issues.