#### PLSA NORTH LONDON GROUP: PENSION SCHEME FRAUD AND CYBER RISKS

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### Pensions fraud and cyber security – a growing threat?





#### It's in the National Press...

# Savers lose millions to retirement fraudsters Andrew Ellson,



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Consumer Affairs Correspondent

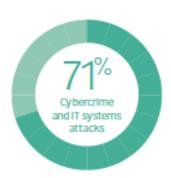
Surge in cybercriminals targeting pension pots

Savers are being tricked out of half a million pounds every day after a surge in criminals targeting British pension riches, *The Times* can reveal.

People with nest eggs to invest, including those with new freedoms to access their pensions, are falling for well-resourced foreign fraudsters impersonating the identities of legitimate companies.



#### Perceived areas of vulnerability





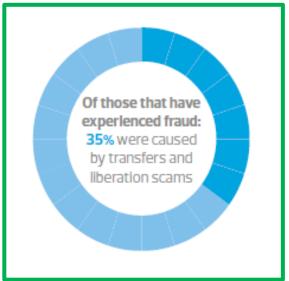






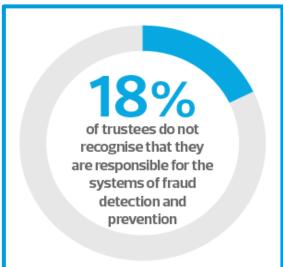


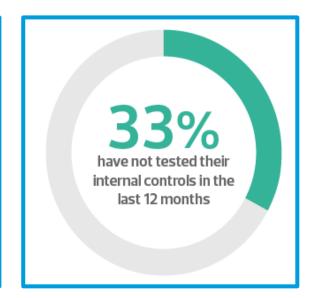




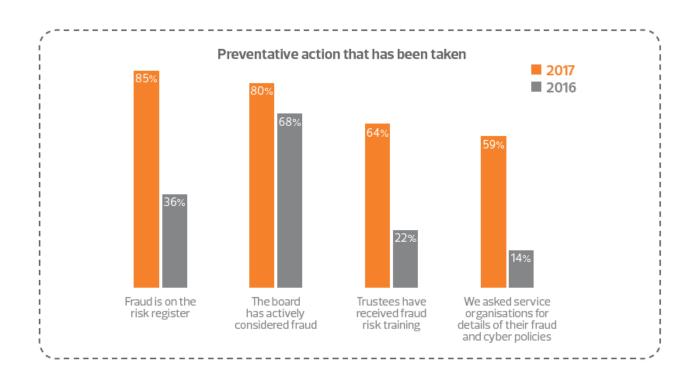


















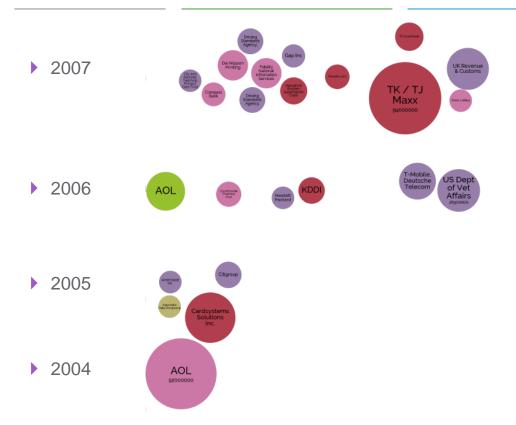


### Cyber - why is the position changing?





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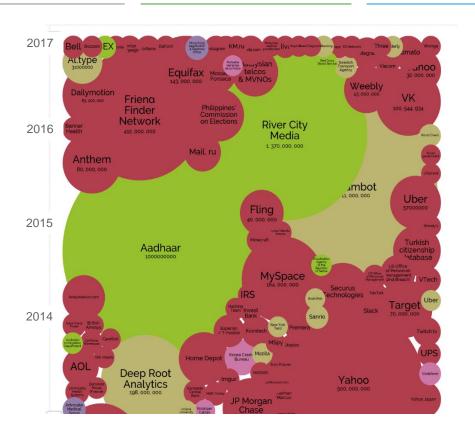


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#### World's biggest data breaches – now

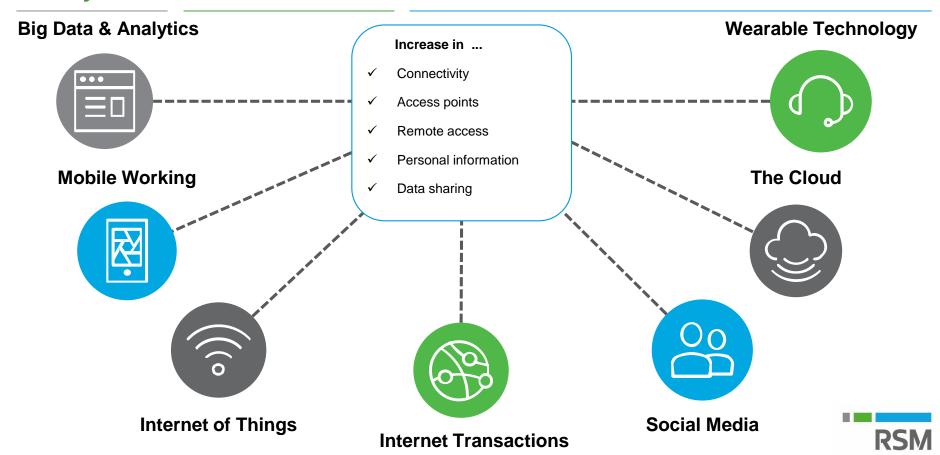


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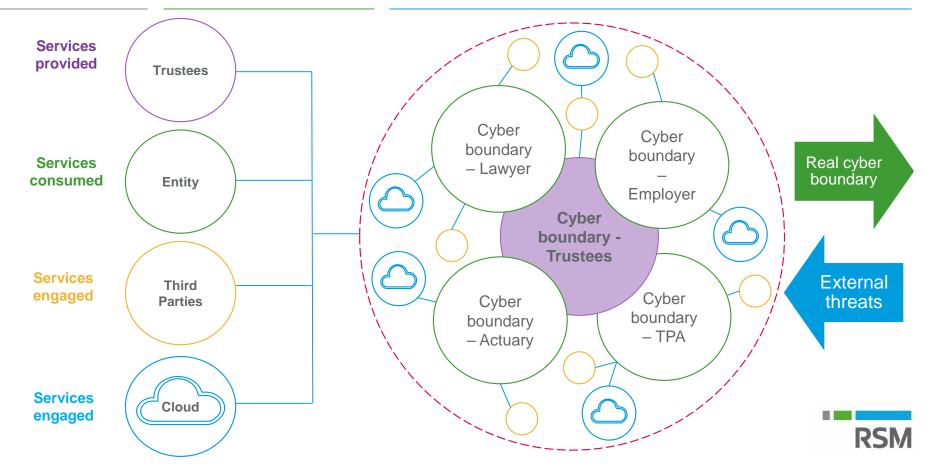
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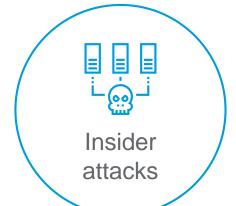
### Why the increase in risk?



### Understand your scheme's cyber footprint



### Types of attacks











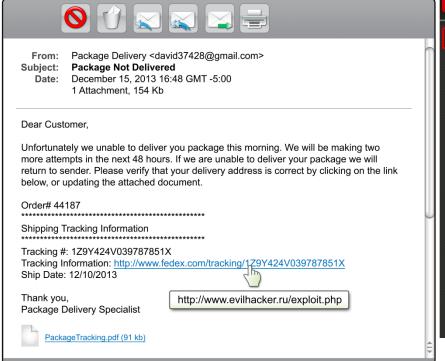
### How easy is it?







#### Malicious content - ransomware







#### Example



#### HOW ONE GANG SWIPED \$1BN FROM GLOBAL BANKS

Up to US\$1billion - £650million - has been stolen in approximately two years from financial institutions worldwide.

The fraud was detected by cyber security firm Kaspersky Lab in February 2015.

Gained entry into an employee's computer through 'spear phishing' – infected it with malware called Carbanak.

Sent authentic-looking emails from his account that other staff clicked on, spreading the malware through the bank.

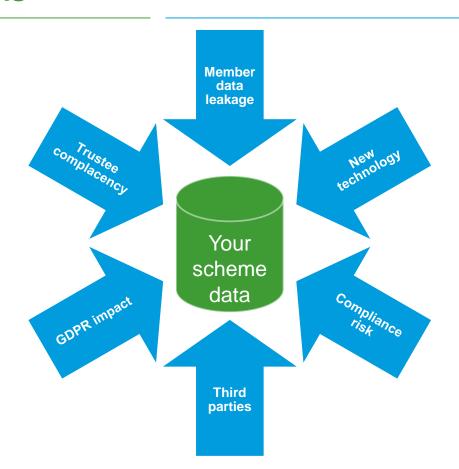
Found the administrator account for the CCTV equipment

They used the CCTV to record everything that happened on the screens of staff who serviced the cash transfer systems.

They mimicked the activity of these staff activity in order to transfer money out.



#### Your data risks





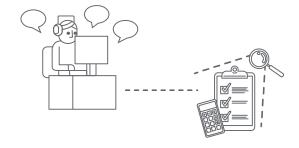
### The challenges – the risks for pension schemes

# Potential risks

- Lack of recognition/knowledge of data held
- Staff
- Complacency
- Poor internal processes
- Lack of investment and training
- Falling behind the curve



- Loss of reputation
- GDPR brings significant fines for loss of data
- Loss of confidential information
- Loss of operational systems
- Loss of members' money pots or pensions





### What should Trustees be doing?





#### Questions to know the answer to



Where is my data?



Where does it go?



Who has access to it?



How is it used?



### What about GDPR?





#### Further information

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### Questions

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