

# **Committee Agenda**

Title:

**Pension Fund Committee** 

Meeting Date:

Thursday 18th October, 2018

Time:

7.00 pm

Venue:

Room 3.4, 3rd Floor, 5 Strand, London, WC2 5HR

Members:

Councillors:

Antonia Cox (Chairman) Melvyn Caplan Patricia McAllister Eoghain Murphy

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# **AGENDA**

# **PART 1 (IN PUBLIC)**

# 1. MEMBERSHIP

To note any changes to the membership.

# 2. DECLARATIONS

To receive notifications of interest by Members and Officers of any personal or prejudicial interests.

3. MINUTES (Pages 5 - 16)

To approve the minutes of the Pension Fund Committee meeting held on 21 June 2018 and the additional meeting held on 20 August 2018.

# 4. PENSION ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

(Pages 17 - 22)

Report of the Director of People Services.

# 5. EQUITY PROTECTION STRATEGY

(Pages 23 - 30)

Report of the City Treasurer.

# 6. INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT STRATEGY

(Pages 31 - 34)

Report of the City Treasurer.

# 7. ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE MONITORING REPORT

(Pages 35 - 58)

Report of the City Treasurer.

# 8. QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE REPORT

(Pages 59 - 108)

Report of the City Treasurer.

# 9. FUND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

(Pages 109 - 154)

Report of the City Treasurer.

# 10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT

Stuart Love Chief Executive 12 October 2018





# **MINUTES**

# **Pension Fund Committee**

# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of a meeting of the **Pension Fund Committee** held on **Thursday 21st June, 2018**, Room 3.8, 3rd Floor, 5 Strand, London, WC2 5HR.

**Members Present:** Councillors Antonia Cox (Chairman), Melvyn Caplan, Patricia McAllister and Eoghain Murphy.

Officers Present: Phil Triggs (Tri-Borough Director of Treasury and Pensions), Matthew Hopson (Strategic Investment Manager – Tri-Borough Director of Treasury and Pensions), Damien Pantling (Pension Fund Manager), Lee Witham (Director of People Services), Sarah Hay (Pensions and Payroll Officer) and Toby Howes (Senior Committee and Governance Officer).

Also Present: Kevin Humpherson (Deloitte).

# 1 MEMBERSHIP

1.1 There were no changes to the membership.

# 2 DECLARATIONS

2.1 Councillor Antonia Cox declared that she is a non-Executive Director of the Student Loans Company, however she did not consider this a prejudicial interest, nor a conflict of interest.

## 3 MINUTES

## 3.1 RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 8 March 2018 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record of proceedings.

# 4 PENSION ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

4.1 Lee Witham (Director of People Services) introduced the report and informed Members that there had been major areas of concern regarding performance in pension administration matters in 2016. Principally, this was due to issues relating to the payroll provider, BT, and this had also affected Surrey County

Council's (SCC) performance, who carried out the administration of the pension scheme on behalf of the City Council. The pension administration performance had also been raised as a major issue of concern at the Pensions Annual General Meeting in 2016.

- 4.2 Lee Witham advised that in order to address this issue, an Improvement Programme had been put in place and there had been significant progress in the last two years. Most of the key performance indicators (KPIs) were now rated green and there had been little concern raised about pension administration performance at the last Pensions Annual General Meeting on 12 April 2018. Lee Witham also advised that the position of Pension Manager at SCC was currently vacant, however it was anticipated that this position would be filled by October.
- 4.3 During Members' discussions, comments were sought as to the overall present situation with regard to pension administration performance. Members sought assurances that an issue identified in respect of the May payroll where BT had over deducted pensions contributions had now been resolved and what timescales were involved in confirming the existence of overseas based pensioners. In noting that Western Union were involved in obtaining information concerning overseas pensions, assurances were sought that the relevant data protection measures were in place. In respect of payroll responsibilities being transferred from BT to Hampshire County Council (HCC), Members asked what steps were being taken to ensure that the problems encountered in 2016, after BT had assumed payroll functions, would not be repeated. In respect of quality of data, it was gueried whether staff were required to provide proof of date of birth upon appointment. Members also asked that they be kept informed about matters relating to the transfer of payroll functions to HCC and also in respect of the appointment of a new Pensions Manager at SCC.
- 4.4 The Chairman referred to a training session run by Barnett Waddingham that Members had attended where the importance of ensuring the quality of data had been highlighted, particularly because it could impact upon matters such as the triennial evaluation. Although Barnett Waddingham had stated that the quality of data for the Westminster Fund was sound, the Chairman asked if there were any plans for a data cleanse or other measures to ensure the quality of data was even better. The Chairman also sought further details as to the issues that made calculating pensions for school staff more complex.
- 4.5 In reply to the issues raised by Members, Lee Witham advised that the pension administration service was now stable and work had been undertaken to ensure that the KPIs used would record scheme members' experiences accurately. He confirmed that deducted pensions contributions identified in the May payroll had now been addressed. In respect of the handover to HCC for payroll services, Lee Witham stated that lessons had been learnt from when BT had assumed this role and the HCC system had been up and running for some time now and handled around 50,000 staff. Members heard that Oxfordshire County Council had recently joined under the HCC payroll system and things had started well. Lee Witham added that the advantage of going with HCC was that they had a system in place that

- was proven, although it was inevitable that a few issues may arise during the course of a transition. The Committee noted that staff were required to provide proof of date of birth during the appointment process.
- 4.6 Sarah Hay (Senior Pensions and Payroll Adviser) advised that in respect of information on overseas based pensioners, an update could be provided at the next meeting. She advised that the issues relating to BT had more impact on the Fund than other matters. In respect of school staff, Sarah Hay advised that calculating pensions could be complicated by matters such as term times and changes to hours of employment.
- 4.7 Phil Triggs (Tri-Borough Director of Treasury and Pensions) advised that the City Council had a good track record in terms of pension fund data quality. The Chairman then commented that a data cleanse was probably not necessary.
- 4.8 The Chairman requested that the Committee be kept updated on transfer of payroll responsibilities to HCC, including continuing to receive the monthly pension updates so Members could monitor for any data quality issues.

# 5 NEW ADMITTED BODY TO THE PENSION FUND - REGULATOR FOR SOCIAL HOUSING

- 5.1 Sarah Hay (Pensions and Payroll Officer) presented the report and advised that the Homes and Community Agency (HCA) is currently and admitted body in the Westminster Pension Fund. A Government review has recommended that the body that makes agreements with landlords supplying homes to the social housing market should not regulate those same landlords, which the HCA currently undertook. As such, a Regulator for Social Housing (RSH) was to be created and staff currently carrying out regulatory functions for HCA would be TUPE transferred to the RSH. Sarah Hay advised that it was therefore recommended that the RSH become a member of the Westminster Pension Fund as an admitted body on a closed admission agreement, meaning that no new employees can be appointed to the Fund, as the HCA was also a member on this basis.
- 5.2 Members sought clarification as to whether the agreement would need the signature of the Secretary of State. Sarah Hay confirmed that this would be the case and that the Secretary of State would act as the guarantor for the RSH.

# 5.3 **RESOLVED**:

- 1. That it be agreed that the Regulator for Social Housing join the Westminster Pension Fund as an admitted body on a closed admission agreement basis provisionally on 1 October 2018.
- 2. That it be agreed that a side agreement be made to provide the Fund maximum financial protection to cover all liabilities associated with the Regulator for Social Housing.

# **6 VOLUNTARY SCHEME PAYS**

- 6.1 Sarah Hay presented the report on a 'Voluntary Scheme Pays arrangement' for 2018/19 onwards. Such an arrangement would address situations where members of staff on higher salaries could be subject to helpful intervention by Pensions Administration if annual or lifetime allowance limits were broken, allowing those staff to defer the additional tax liability to the time that they draw their pensions on retirement.
- 6.2 The Committee felt that, rather than apply the arrangement as overall general policy, cases should be considered by the Committee on a case-by-case basis.

# 6.3 **RESOLVED:**

That the Voluntary Scheme Pays arrangement be considered by the Committee on a case-by-case basis.

# 7 QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE REPORT

- 7.1 Kevin Humpherson (Deloitte) presented the report and advised that the equity mandates had underperformed over the first quarter of 2018, however overall the Fund had outperformed its benchmark by 0.6% as the equities underperformance had been offset by the performance of Baillie Gifford, Hermes and Aberdeen Standard. Over the year, the Fund had outperformed the benchmark by 1.1%, with Baillie Gifford being the highest performer, offsetting the underperformance from Majedie. Kevin Humpherson advised that Majedie's performance had been adversely affected by its gas and mining stocks. In respect of fund manager ratings, Kevin Humpherson informed Members that Richard Marshall was leaving Aberdeen Standard Investments and consideration needed to be given as to whether an appropriate handover will take place. Members also heard that the transfer of the Insight Mandate had been completed.
- 7.2 During discussions, Members asked whether the optimal level of investment had been made to the London Collective Investment Vehicle (CIV). The Chairman sought views as to whether it was desirable to transfer fixed income assets to the CIV and what mechanisms should take place in respect of deciding the transfer of future assets to the CIV. She queried why there were no figures in the report for Markets in Financial Instruments Directive II (MiFID II) Members requested further details in respect of credit assets in future reports. Members expressed an interest in receiving information on environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors with regard to assets.
- 7.3 In reply to questions from Members, Kevin Humpherson advised that Deloitte continued to monitor the situation regarding funds to the CIV which itself was undergoing changes. Many of the funds transferred to the CIV were like for like and involved continuing with the same fund manager. Kevin Humpherson acknowledged the request for further details in respect of credit assets in future reports and added that further information on asset classes will also be included in the strategy report referred to by Phil Triggs in paragraph 7.4

below. Kevin Humpherson confirmed that figures for Quarter 1 and Quarter 2 in respect of MiFID II costs would be included in the next report. He also advised that all fund managers produced an annual report on ESG assets and he agreed to put together a report summarising this at a future meeting following a request from the Chairman.

7.4 Phil Triggs advised that the proportion of the City Council's assets transferred to the CIV was high compared to other CIV members. The Committee agreed to his suggestion that a strategy report setting out investment options with the CIV be presented at a future meeting. He added that the strategy report could also provide information in respect of ESG assets.

# 7.5 **RESOLVED:**

That the performance of the investments and the funding position be noted.

# 8 FUND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

- 8.1 The Committee had before them the Fund Financial Report that included the Risk Register. The Chairman commented that risk 20 in the Risk Register relating to loss of funds through fraud or misappropriation seemed quite high and she sought a further explanation of this. She also sought further details in respect of pension contribution rates. Members sought information on how audit reports would specifically affect the Pension Fund and it was agreed that this be provided at a future meeting.
- 8.2 In reply to Members' comments, Phil Triggs advised that in respect of risk 20 on the Risk Register, in the reality this risk was not as high as it might appear and he agreed to amend the Risk Register so that in future it be split into two parts, with one part showing the potential risk to the Fund and the second part showing the actual risk when all the mitigating actions were taken into account. In respect of pension contribution rates, these were due to be reviewed following the completion of the 2019 triennial evaluation by the City Council's actuary. Matthew Hopson (Strategic Investment Manager, Tri-Borough Treasury and Pensions) advised that the Fund was now 92.2% funded.

# 8.3 **RESOLVED:**

- 1. That the Risk Register for the Pension Fund be noted.
- 2. That the cash flow position and three year forecast be noted.
- 3. That the Forward Plan and draft Forward Plan for 2019-2020 be noted.
- 4. That the Pension Fund costs for 2017-2018 and the preceding two years be noted.

# 9 FIXED INCOME MANAGER SELECTION

9.1 The Committee had before them a report on progress in the transition of funds

to Insight Investment and noted that the process had now been completed. The Chairman welcomed the lower than anticipated transition costs involved.

# 9.2 **RESOLVED**:

That the progress and conclusion of the Insight Investment Management transition be noted.

# 10 DRAFT PENSION FUND ANNUAL REPORT AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2017-18

10.1 Phil Triggs presented the report and confirmed that the Statement of Accounts had been approved by the Audit and Performance Committee on 23 April 2018. Members welcomed both the speed to which the Statement of Accounts had been submitted and to its accuracy.

# 10.2 **RESOLVED**:

- 1. That the Pension Fund Annual Report 2017-2018 be approved.
- 2. That the Pension Fund Accounts for 2017-2018 be noted.

# 11 LONDON COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT VEHICLE UPDATE

- 11.1 Phil Triggs presented the report and advised that the London CIV had approved a new governance structure and was in the process of implementing it. This included the creation of a Shareholders Committee reporting to the CIV's Board and the appointment of two non-executive directors to the Board by London Local Authorities. The new governance arrangements reflected the wish for a more streamlined structure as the CIV had originally faced the challenge of seeking agreement from all 32 members. Phil Triggs advised that the CIV's annual general meeting was due to take place on 12 July and further information of what would be discussed at the meeting was due to be circulated shortly.
- 11.2 The Chairman asked if there was any information on what eight London boroughs were likely to be represented on the CIV's Board and she added that the City Council should be included, considering it was one of the earliest members to join the Board and had transferred a higher proportion of assets to the CIV's Fund compared to most other Members. She also asked if it was known who the CIV's treasurers would be. In respect of the reference in the report to City of London's request that the CIV's shareholders assume an equal responsibility of the liability guarantee as CIV staff were part of the City of London's pension scheme, the Chairman asked if this was due to the size of the pension liability. She also asked whether the City Council should participate in the CIV's asset class and asset strategy consultation.
- 11.3 Members asked if there was any progress in the appointment of the vacant Chief Investment Officer at the CIV and what would happen in the event that the City Council was not satisfied with the eight London boroughs appointed to the CIV's Board.

In answer to questions from Members, Phil Triggs advised that he would provide further information on London borough appointments to the CIV's Board and the CIV's London Treasurers as soon as he is informed, adding that as a member of the Treasury and Pensions Officers Board he would receive notification of such matters. In respect of CIV staff in the City of London's pension scheme, Phil Triggs advised that the liability was significant and the current arrangements were open ended in nature and therefore there was a need to firm up the liability guarantee. The Committee noted that once the investment structure was agreed, a new Chief Investment Officer for the CIV would be appointed. Phil Triggs concurred that it was imperative that the City Council had representation on the CIV's Board and the Chairman and himself were impressing this to the CIV. Phil Triggs also advised that the City Council was not intending to participate in the CIV's asset class and asset strategy consultation as the City Council preferred to use its own advisers. In response to this, the Chairman commented that she therefore did not feel that it was necessary to be involved in the CIV's consultation.

# 11.5 **RESOLVED**:

That the update on the London CIV be noted.

# 12 ANY OTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT

12.1 Phil Triggs advised that his team would be in contact with Members in respect of training and noted the Committee's interest in receiving training on fixed income assets and on strategy documents.

# 13 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

## **13.1 RESOLVED:**

That under Section 100 (A) (4) and Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business because they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information on the grounds shown below and it is considered that, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

# 14 LONGVIEW EQUITY MANDATE

14.1 The Committee considered a confidential report on the Longview Equity Mandate and agreed to the recommendation in the report.

CHAIRMAN:	DATE	
The intesting ended at 8.51 pm.		



# **MINUTES**

# **Pension Fund Committee**

# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of a meeting of the **Pension Fund Committee** held on **Monday 20th August, 2018**, Room 3.8, 3rd Floor, 5 Strand, London, WC2 5HR.

**Members Present:** Councillors Antonia Cox (Chairman), Melvyn Caplan and Patricia McAllister.

**Officers Present:** Phil Triggs (Tri-Borough Director of Treasury and Pensions), Matthew Hopson (Strategic Investment Manager – Tri-Borough Director of Treasury and Pensions), Lee Witham (Director of People Services), Sarah Hay (Pensions and Payroll Officer) and Toby Howes (Senior Committee and Governance Officer).

**Also Present:** Keith Bray (Forum Officer, Local Authority Pension Fund Forum) and Kevin Humpherson (Deloitte).

# 1 MEMBERSHIP

1.1 There were no changes to the membership.

# 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2.1 There were no declarations of interest.

# 3 LOCAL AUTHORITY PENSION FUND FORUM (LAPFF) MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1 The Committee had before them a report recommending that the City Council join the Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF). The Chairman invited Keith Bray (Forum Officer, LAPFF), to address the Committee.
- 3.2 Keith Balmer then gave a presentation on the work of the LAPFF. He began by stating that the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS), which the LAPFF represented, was the sixth largest funded pension scheme in the World and was a significant institutional national and international investor. LAPFF was a voluntary association of LGPS funds that sought to protect and enhance the value of its members' shareholdings. LAPFF met four times a year and valued elected member input. Membership of LAPFF included 26 London authorities, of which the London boroughs of Barnet, Havering and Hammersmith and Fulham had all joined in the last year, 28 English counties,

eight Welsh authorities, four Scottish authorities, two passenger transport authorities and the Environment Agency. The areas LAPFF looked into included environmental, social and governance issues, although Keith Bray emphasised that protecting the shareholders' value was the highest priority. He then referred to instances where the LAPFF had effectively lobbied for changes, including those involving Marks and Spencer, Barclays, Shell and BP.

- 3.3 During discussions, the Chairman asked what would happen if the City Council did not share the same view as LAPFF on a particular issue. She sought further details on the workload officers could expect if the City Council joined LAPFF, including the frequency of emails likely to be received and would Members of the Committee be copied into these messages. Members sought further details on the LAPFF's staff and its work with Marks and Spencer. In respect of the issues that the LAPFF took on, it was asked what mechanisms were used in determining these. Information on how LAPFF's funding was used was also sought.
- 3.4 In reply to issues raised by Members, Keith Bray advised that differences of opinion within LAPFF existed, including on such matters as climate change. However, he remarked that he could not recall any instance where an LAPFF member had felt embarrassed about an issue and furthermore LAPFF would not publicise the opinion of any authority that had disagreed. However, notwithstanding this, LAPFF members were welcome to publicise any differences of view if they so wished. The Committee noted that LAPFF produced quarterly engagement reports. Keith Bray informed Members that the LAPFF had carried out a corporate governance review of Marks and Spencer that had culminated in recommendations in separating roles to prevent too much responsibility being given to a smaller number of individuals, which also helped in terms of business continuity should someone depart the organisation abruptly. Keith Bray advised that LAPFF's Executive Committee ensured that the agendas for LAPFF meetings were appropriate and members were welcome to make suggestions on what issues to discuss.
- 3.5 Keith Bray advised that there was no staff that supported LAPFF on a full time basis. The financial resources the LAPFF received were used to commission the Pensions Investment Research Consultants (PIRC) to provide technical research and advise on corporate governance and corporate social responsibility matters. It was estimated that around 70% to 80 % of resources were spent on PIRC and in hiring venues. Keith Bray added that LAPFF's accounts were available for circulation to its members. He advised that the Tri-Borough Director of Treasury and Pensions could expect to receive around two to three emails a week from LAPFF and these could also be circulated to the Committee. Keith Bray advised that reports for LAPFF meetings were circulated a week in advance and he agreed to inform Members when the next LAPFF meeting was due to take place. He added that an annual conference was taking place in Bournemouth that would include a number of eminent speakers.

3.6 The Committee agreed to the Chairman's suggestion that the Westminster Pension Fund join the LAPFF on an initial one year basis and to review the work of the LAPFF in 12 months' time.

#### 3.7 **RESOLVED:**

That the application of the Westminster Pension Fund for membership to the LAPFF be approved on an initial one year basis and to review the work of the LAPFF in 12 months' time.

#### 4 **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

#### 4.1 **RESOLVED:**

That under Section 100 (A) (4) and Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business because they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information on the grounds shown below and it is considered that, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

#### 5 **FIXED INCOME STRATEGY**

5.1 The Committee considered and agreed the recommendations of a confidential report on fixed income strategy.

#### 6 **VOLUNTARY SCHEME PAYS REQUEST**

6.1 The Committee considered and agreed the recommendation of a confidential report relating to a voluntary scheme pays request.

The Meeting ended at 8.35 pm.

CHAIRMAN:	 DATE _	



# Agenda Item 4



# Pension Fund Committee

Date: 18 October 2018

Classification: General Release

Title: Pension Administration Update

Report of: Lee Witham, Director of People Services

Wards Involved: All

Policy Context: Service Delivery

Financial Summary: Limited

# 1. Executive Summary

1.1. This report provides a summary of the performance of the City Council, Surrey County Council and BT. The report gives an update on the Key Performance Indicator (KPI) performance of the pension administrators Surrey County Council (SCC) for the period June to September 2018. The detailed KPIs are shown in Appendix 1.

# 2. Surrey County Council (SCC) Performance

- **2.1.** The scope of the KPIs in this report have been agreed between WCC and SCC based on the section 101 agreement, however they will continue to be reviewed on feedback from all parties, including committee members.
- 2.2. This paper covers only the period of June to September 2018. The last period reported to committee on the 21st of June 2018 ended at May 2018. As this report includes four whole months no prior periods are included the trend is taken from within the months included. The next review meeting with Surrey has not been agreed at the time of drafting this paper but is expected to be in late October 2018.
- **2.3.** Surrey have now appointed a new Pension Manager, Michael Mann, officers have yet to meet him but contact with Surrey remains strong.
- **2.4.** The headlines from the KPI performance in appendix 1 is summarised below:

- **2.4.1.** Interfunds Out Actual. In September 2018 there was 1 case late taking our KPI down to 83% that month, Prior months in the period had been 100%. Although important failure in this KPI does not indicate a member has had a delay to any benefit due them.
- **2.4.2.** Respond to Correspondence and Response. This KPI has seen 1 case in each late in September 2018. Surrey have been asked to provide details on the case but responses in other months were 100%.
- 2.4.3. Retirement Survey Response. Surrey sent surveys to a number of retirees following the processing of benefits in July to September 2018. Surrey are reporting an 87.5% positive response in that the people involved were either satisfied or very satisfied 3 responses for each giving 6 responses in total. One response indicated the member was dissatisfied with the service that they received giving a negative response of 14.29%. The survey is anonymous and this individual did not elect to give their contact details for anyone to contact them regarding their response.
- 2.5. People Services continue to prioritise resources for the move of backroom support services for finance, payroll and HR from BT to Hampshire. The service is on track to go live with Hampshire on the 1<sup>st</sup> of December 2018. There is a communication plan in place to support employees during the transition to Hampshire and post contract go live. People services will be liaising with Hampshire to support any immediate retirement cases where information is required from the legacy BT agresso system to complete the case.

# 3. BT Performance

- **3.1** BT have been completing urgent pension leaver forms as requested by People Services in a reasonable timeframe.
- 3.2 BT service has been adequate, though they have been losing some staff ahead of the transfer of the contract in December and some responses have slowed. People Services will continue to support and push BT where possible.

# 4. Risk Register

**4.1** The main risk for People Services remains Risk 27 Operational Administration and the move from BT to HCC will be our focus to ensure that people get paid accurately and that pension is deducted correctly as well.

# 5. Western Union Global Existence Transaction (GET).

- 5.1 People Services advised the committee at the last meeting of the intention to engage Western Union to check existence for our overseas pensioners of which we have approximately 266. There has been a delay in completing the whole exercise because Western Union require the full name of the individual to match to identity provided for existence. However WCC have proceeded with running for 168 where we have full names and have asked Western Union to contact 98 further individuals to request confirmation of their full names so that we can update our altair data base and run this exercise going forward each year.
- 5.2 Due to delay in completing "existence checking" Surrey have run a traditional life certificate exercise on behalf of the fund. Certificates were sent out in the first week of September to 105 people, over 80, living overseas. 35 responses have been received at the date of writing this report confirming we hold correct details for the member concerned. We have had 3 responses on record confirming the member has moved from the address we hold and the pension for those members is being suspended. One response has been received but needs further information to accept in full.

# 6 Life Time Allowance and Annual Allowance Talks

6.1 A number of fund members at risk of exceeding the Life Time Allowance (LTA) Limit or an Annual Allowance (AA) Limit have been written to advise them of the potential issue in the September or October. People Services have invited members potentially impacted to a 2 hour presentation with a benefit consultant from Barnett Waddingham on the 26<sup>th</sup> of October or the 22<sup>nd</sup> of November. The aim of people services is to engage with these members so that they can make informed decisions regarding their benefits.

# 7. Summary

7.1 The focus for people services between now and Christmas will be in supporting the transfer of the BT contract to Hampshire on the 1<sup>st</sup> of December 2018. We will then need to ensure that Hampshire work with Surrey and People services to make sure that interaction for WCC employees is a positive one.



# Westminster County Council - September 2018 Results on KPI Reporting



Description Ta	Target time/date as per Partnership Agreement	Target	Actual Score for Quarter	Quantity June 2018	Actual Score June 2018	Comments	Quantity July 2018	Actual Score July 2018	Comments	Quantity August 2018	Actual Score August 2018	t Comments	Quantity September 201	8 Actual Score September 2018	Comments	Trend	People services Comments
Death Benefits  Notify potential beneficiary of lump sum death	5 days	100%	%	0	N/A		0	N/A		0	N/A		0	N/A			nothing to measure.
Write to dependant and provide relevant claim form	5 days	100%	%	3	100%		2	100%		1	100%		5	100%			
Set up any dependants benefits and confirm payments due	14 days	100%	%	0	N/A		0	N/A		0	N/A		0	N/A			no cases in June and July.
Retirements Retirement options issued to members	5 days	100%	%	1	100%		3	100%		6	100%		11	100%			
New retirement benefits processed for payment following receipt of all necessary documents	5 days	100%	%	1	100%		0	N/A		3	100%		8	100%			
Pension Payment, member to paid on the next available pension payroll following receipt of all	Next available pay run		%	1	100%		0	N/A		3	100%		8	100%		13	
necessary documentation  Refunds of Contributions  Refund paid following receipt of claim form	14 days	100%	%	5	100%		7	100%		8	100%		1	100%			
Deferred Benefits Statements sent to member following receipt of	30 days	100%	%	10	100%		7	100%		13	100%		4	100%			
Notification to members 2 months before payments due																	
	2 months		%	50		Target is 2 months before due date but issued 6 weeks before in June	23		Target is 2 months before due date. All on times as processed 8-9 weeks before in July	e 24		Target is 2 months before due date. All on time as processed 8 weeks before in August	11		Target is 2 months before due date. Processed weeks before in August	6	Improvement that Surrey have made in sending out option forms for deferred benefits into
Lump Sum ( on receipt of all necessary documentation)	5 days		%	13	100%		17	100%		11	100%		21	100%			payment within 2 months.
Pension Payment, member to paid on the next available pension payroll following receipt of all	Next available pay run		%	13	100%		17	100%		11	100%		21	100%			
necessary documentation  New Joiners																	
New starters processed	30 days	100%	%	4	100%		0	N/A		0	N/A		2	100%			
Transfers In Non LGPS transfers-in quotations	30 days	100%	%	3	100%		0	N/A		2	100%		3	100%			
Non LGPS transfers-in payments processed  Transfers Out	30 days	100%	%	3	N/A 100%		0	N/A 100%		0	N/A 100%		0	N/A 100%			no cases in period.
Non LGPS transfers-out quotations processed  Non LGPS transfers out payments processed	30 days	100%	%	1	100%		4	100%		2	100%		0	N/A			
Interfunds In - Quotations	30 days	100%	%	1	100%		2	100%		2	100%		3	100%			
Interfunds In - Actuals	30 days	100%	%	0	N/A		0	N/A		0	N/A		0	100%			
Interfunds Out - Quotations	30 days	100%	%	7	100%		8	100%		3	100%		2	100%			
Interfunds Out - Actuals	30 days	100%	%	7	100%		7	100%		8	100%		5	83%	1 case late		
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51 cases or over	Agreed with WCC		%		N/A			N/A			N/A			N/A			no cases in period.
Material Changes																	no cases in period.
Any changes to data which materially affect																	
actual or potential benefits to be processed within 30 days of receiving all necessary data	30 days		%	15	100%		24	100%		38	100%		28	100%			
Buying Additional Pensions																	
Members notified of terms of purchasing additional pension	15 days		%														
Monthly Pensioner Payroll  Full reconciliation of payroll and ledger report provided to WCC	Last day of month				100%			100%			100%			100%			
Issue of monthly payslips RTI file submitted to HMRC	3 days before pay day 3 days before pay day				100%			100% 100%			100% 100%			100%			
P35	3 days before pay day EOY		Date Achieved		31-Mar-18			31-Mar-18			31-Mar-18			31-Mar-18			
Annual Exercises Annual Benefit Statements Issued to Active members																	
																	Note All data received by employers on time by 30th of
									These are underway and due to be completed	d		Completed at 100% on time rate apart from					April 2018 resulted in an individual getting a Annual Pension Statement by 31st of
	31 August each year				Annual			Annual	for deadline		Annual	exceptions		Annual			August 2018. One employer with 6 staff active on our system submitted a return late
																	and the data submitted is not adequate to send out statements at this point. The
																	employer is being chased to submit a suitable return.
Annual Benefit Statements Issued to Deferred members	31 August each year				Annual			Annual	These are underway and due to be completed for deadline	d	Annual	Completed at 100%		Annual			
P60s Issued to Pensioners																	
Non LGPS transfers-in quotations processed within 20 days  Apply Pensions Increase to Pensioners	31 May each year  April each year				100%	Issued April 2018		100%	Issued April 2018		100%	Issued April 2018		100%	Issued April 2018		
Pensioners Newsletter	April each year				100%	Issued March 2018		100%	Issued March 2018		100%	Issued March 2018		100%	Issued March 2018		
Customer Service Correspondence Acknowledgement if more than 5 days	2 days																
Response	10 days			5	100%		10	100%		12	100%		18	94%	1 case late		
3rd party enquires	10 days			7	N/A	100%	3	N/A	100%	6	100%		8	100%			
Helpdesk Enquiries										T						1	
Helpdesk Enquiries  Volumes of Enquiries Handled By Helpdesk	Number of Enquiries Handled			381	-	89% FPF rate	339	-	91% FPF rate	500	-	92% FPF Rate	507	-	93% FPF Rate		





# Committee Report

Decision Maker: PENSION FUND COMMITTEE

Date: 18 October 2018

Classification: General Release

Title: Equity Protection Strategy

Wards Affected: All

Policy Context: Effective control over Council Activities

Financial Summary: There are no immediate financial implications

arising from this report, although investment performance has an impact on the Council's employer contribution to the Pension Fund and this is a charge to the General Fund.

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# 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 This paper updates Members on:
  - > The different types of equity protection.
  - The proposed characteristics of these different options.
  - Potential solutions appropriate for the City of Westminster Pension Fund.

# 2. RECOMMENDATIONS

# 2.1 That the Committee:

Notes and comments on the different types of equity protection strategies available, with consideration to be given to exploring this possibility further if deemed an attractive prospect.

# 3. EQUITY PROTECTION BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Fund has currently a large allocation to equity investments. Although a decision was taken to reduce equity exposure by £90m at the 20 August 2018 meeting, even excluding this, the current equity portfolio stands at around £1bn, held with four different investment managers: Longview, Majedie, Legal and General Investment Management (LGIM) and Ballie Gifford.
- 3.2 With equity valuations at all-time highs, it should be considered whether the Fund is carrying a significant amount of risk in this area.
- 3.3 At the last Committee meeting on 20 August 2018, the decision was taken to take further consideration to this area, with a special training session to be held on the subject to ensure the Committee is fully briefed on all areas of equity protection.
- 3.4 The Fund's investment consultant, Deloitte, will host this training on 16 October 2018.
- 3.5 Currently, a number of Local Government Pension Schemes, including Surrey County Council and LB Islington Pension Fund have implemented strategies over the last year.

# 3. EQUITY PROTECTION STRATEGIES

- 4.1 Appendix 1 to this report talks through in detail the different types of strategies available that provide downside equity protection, but the key areas are whether they are pooled or segregated, and at cost or nil cost.
- 4.2 Pooled solutions are often overlaid by the incumbent manager of the portfolio, who will manage the derivatives required. Segregated solutions require the Fund to own the derivatives. This is not desirable due to the complexity and potential risk that this brings, so a pooled approach would be the preferred solution.
- 4.3 Often the Fund can achieve protection on the downside by relinquishing some of the upside. A possible scenario is that the Fund could forsake any gains above 7% on the portfolio, but will be protected on any losses from -5% downwards towards -30%.
- 4.4 It should be noted that this strategy is proven not to work in the long term due to the large amounts of upside lost, but is useful for managing risk over a shorter period of time (such as a year before the triennial cycle or maybe the entirety of a triennial cycle).
- 4.5 The other option is to purchase protection for a certain amount of downside. This would remove the upside loss, but it can be very expensive to implement depending on the level of protection and the duration.
- 4.6 One of the most effective ways to manage equity downside is still to sell equities and move into a less risky asset class.

# 5 WESTMINSTER EQUITY PROTECTION APPROACH

- 5.1 Given that the Pension Fund has four separate equity managers, it would be quite an undertaking to ensure protection was applied across the whole portfolio.
- 5.2 If the Committee did wish to implement an equity protection strategy, the proposal would be to utilise the Fund's passive equity manager, LGIM, to overlay a pooled equity protection solution over the largest of the Fund's equity portfolios. The reason for this is:
  - ➤ The Fund would still have protection on around a third of its equity holdings without giving up too much upside. This results in a hedge without making a bet on the market.
  - ➤ LGIM have a ready-made pooled solution easy to implement.
  - The solution can be implemented for a specified timescale that works for the Fund's objectives.
- 5.3 It should be noted that, as pricing moves for derivatives, the price on a nil cost basis to implement may no longer work for the Fund. If the upside forsaken is too much, it will be contrary to the actuarial rate of return and impact the discount rate of the liabilities.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS: None

APPENDICES:

**Appendix 1: Equity Protection Paper** 



# **City of Westminster Pension Fund** Equity Protection Strategies

### **Introduction**

This report has been prepared for the City of Westminster Pension Fund Committee ("the Committee"). The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of equity protection fund structures including the advantages and disadvantages associated with different structures and the factors to consider when appointing an investment manager.

## **Equity Protection Fund Structures**

The table below shows the advantages and disadvantages of a segregated and pooled approach.

	Pros	Cons
Segregated	Greater portability and transparency	Underlying derivatives in name of scheme
	More flexibility over levels of leverage	More onerous documentation requirements
		Potential open-ended liability depending on nature of derivatives used
		More time consuming to implement for LGPS
		Not all managers able/willing to provide pooled fund wrapper
Pooled	Access to manager's derivatives documentation	Admin charge for providing pooled fund structure
	Reporting provided by manager and can appear as single line in report & accounts	Limitations on leverage levels within certain fund structures (CSUF cannot have leverage, can have leverage in QAIF)
	Liability limited	
	Reporting easier	

# **Factors to Consider**

## Degree of precision

- Protecting all market exposures or focusing purely on major markets.
- Option to use local market index contracts where there exists potential mismatch between derivatives contracts and underlying equity exposure, however there is greater liquidity in the major markets – UK, US, Europe etc.
- An alternative is to use MSCI Index series however these derivative contracts are dollar denominated and
  the currency issue is not straightforward to resolve. An advantage of MSCI is that the index series is total
  return while local market indices are usually just price. Local market index contracts will be in the local
  market currency Eurostoxx is priced in euros.

## Time horizon

- How long do you want the protection to run? If looking to protect up to next valuation, it is logical to protect up to the expected time of signing off the valuation report.
- Possible to buy protection 2 3 years out, but pricing/liquidity is thinner for longer dated structures.

## What protection needed on the downside?

- Market pricing "thin" if looking for protection below -30%.
- The norm appears to be to accept small downside (-5%), with protection then down to somewhere in the region of -25% to -30%.
- Interesting to look at long run historic returns over rolling 1, 2 and 3 year periods.

# Impact on expected return

- If implementing rolling programme of protection where selling away upside to fund the downside, this will impact level of expected return in actuarial assumptions.
- Need to take into account what returns are likely on the upside no point in implementing if the maximum return possible on upside isn't in line with assumptions used in valuation.

### **Cashflows**

- Is the equity allocation likely to reduce over the term of the protection to meet pension payments?
- While structure can be altered, there will be costs associated with any restructuring.

### Collateral

- What assets will be used for collateral?
- Option to sell equities and replace exposure with futures to release cash, or use gilts & cash.

## Alternatives to equity protection strategy

• Given gains of equities in recent years, can you afford to reduce the equity exposure rather than implement a complex structure?

## Conclusion

This paper should be considered in conjunction with the equity protection training taking place on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

The Committee may wish to consider whether they want to move forward with equity protection strategies following better understanding of this area and implementation options available.

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## October 2018

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- The value of investments may fall as well as rise and you may not get back the amount invested.
- Income from investments may fluctuate in value.
- Where charges are deducted from capital, the capital may be eroded or future growth constrained.
- Investors should be aware that changing investment strategy will incur some costs.
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# Committee Report

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arising from this report, although investment performance has an impact on the Council's employer contribution to the Pension Fund and this is a charge to the General Fund.

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## 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 This paper updates Members on:
  - The different types of infrastructure investments.
  - ➤ The proposed characteristics for the City of Westminster Pension Fund of an infrastructure investment.
  - > A proposed way forward for selection of an infrastructure manager.

# 2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the Committee approves:
  - ➤ Commencement of an Infrastructure manager search offering a product in line with the characteristics described in section 4.
  - ➤ The value of this contract search to be 5% (circa £71.5m) of the total value of the City of Westminster Pension Fund.

# 3. INFRASTRUCTURE BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Fund has long held a commitment to invest 5% of the investment portfolio in the infrastructure asset class, which has yet to be fulfilled.
- 3.2 The allocation to infrastructure was based around the following attractive characteristics:
  - Diversification from other mainstream asset classes.
  - High CPI protected income yield.
  - Illiquidity premium that benefits longer term investors.
- 3.3 At the last Committee meeting on 20 August 2018, the decision was taken to further the investment in this area, with a special training session to be held on the asset class to ensure the Committee is fully briefed on all areas of infrastructure investing.
- 3.4 The Fund's investment consultant, Deloitte, will host this training on 16 October 2018.

# 4. WESTMINSTER INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY

- 4.1 The infrastructure investment universe is a very large one, with all the many different types set out in appendix 1 to this report.
- 4.2 To meet the Pension Fund's investment objectives, it is advised that the Infrastructure strategy pursued adopts the following three key areas:
  - ➤ High income yield: The Fund is at a mature stage where it is in negative cash flow. Investment income yield is required to help bridge this gap.
  - ➤ Avoidance of "mega-cap projects": High valuations and intense competition over these assets make them a less attractive proposition.
  - Focus given to expected drawdown and speed of deployment: Avoidance of holding over fees and access to the market earlier highly desired.
- 4.3 The investment strategy will not prejudice either primary or secondary infrastructure investments, notwithstanding the complexity and scarcity of good value secondary infrastructure deals.
- 4.4 The strategy is also unbiased to types of assets and doesn't preclude green field investments necessarily, although they must fill the criteria of the three investment characteristics listed above.

# 5 INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGER PROCUREMENT

5.1 The procurement process is outside of the scope of the European Public Contract Regulations 2015 and the WCC internal Procurement Assurance

Board, provided the investment manager is selling units in a pooled fund, according to procurement and legal advice sought by Council officers. The Committee is therefore free to decide on how it wishes to conduct this process.

- 5.2 The proposal is as follows:
  - Deloitte draws up the list of its highest rated infrastructure managers that meet the requirements above, ranking them accordingly to a set range of criteria.
  - Council officers meet with Deloitte and agree a shortlisted three who should meet the Committee.
  - ➤ The Committee will then be given a chance to question, challenge and clarify with individual managers, before making a selection in discussion with Deloitte and officers.
  - ➤ The Committee should give regard to the London CIV's (LCIV) offering during this process, but it should be noted that no firm strategy is yet in place at the time of writing, only an outline proposal.
- 5.3 Deloitte have included two examples of highly rated infrastructure managers that meet the Fund's criteria, as well as a brief description of LCIV's proposed approach in appendix 1.

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APPENDICES:

Appendix 1: Infrastructure investment paper (EXEMPT)





# Committee Report

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**Monitoring Report** 

Wards Affected: All

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Financial Summary: There are no immediate financial implications

arising from this report, although investment performance has an impact on the Council's employer contribution to the Pension Fund and this is a charge to the General Fund.

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# 1. Executive Summary

1.1 This report presents the Environmental Social and Governance (ESG) approaches of each of the Fund's investment managers and any significant changes.

# 2. Recommendation

2.1 The Committee is asked to note the ESG monitoring report attached at Appendix 1.

# 3. Background

3.1 The Pension Fund Committee's obligation to take into account ESG is described in section 6 of the Investment Strategy Statement. In paragraph 6.4 it states:

"The Fund requires its investment managers to integrate all material financial factors, including corporate governance, environmental, social,

- and ethical considerations, into the decision- making process for all fund investments."
- 3.2 The report attached at appendix 1 details each manager's approach to ESG. This will help provide Committee members with assurance over practices.

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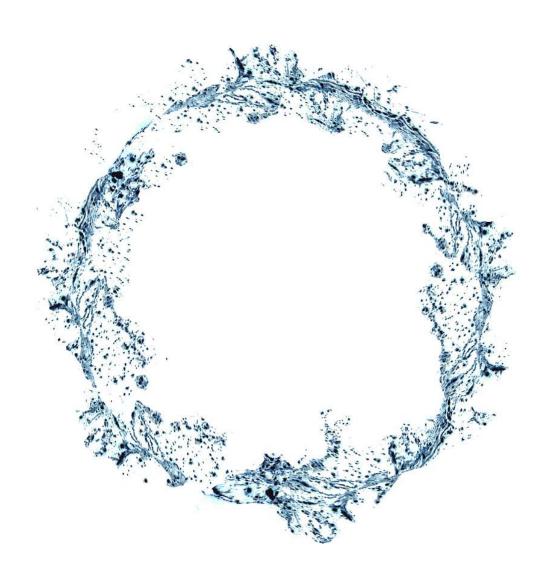
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Appendix 1: ESG Monitoring Report

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## **City of Westminster Pension Fund**

ESG Monitoring Report 2017

Deloitte Total Reward and Benefits Limited October 2018

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## 1 Introduction

The table below summarises the environmental, social and governance ("ESG") approach for each manager and is based on information provided by each organisation.

Manager	Mandate	Manager ESG Approach
Majedie	UK Equity	Majedie's aim is to make money for their clients, and the investment team considers ESG factors as a fully integrated part of the investment process. Majedie aims to vote on all resolutions at all AGMs and EGMs held by companies in which they invest for clients.
LGIM	Global Equity	LGIM aims to protect and increase shareholder value by exercising all voting rights. LGIM seeks to take an active approach to stewardship and uses its scale to influence and change company and market-wide behaviours.
Baillie Gifford	Global Equity	The investment process at Baillie Gifford is founded on the long-term ownership of growing businesses. Baillie Gifford aims to help companies fulfil their potential by encouraging them to invest in growth opportunities and to ignore the short-term pressures of the stock market. Baillie Gifford takes responsibilities of ownership seriously and is an active steward of its clients' capital.
Longview	Global Equity	Longview Partners believes consideration of ESG factors, including climate change, is essential. Longview believes that poor management of such issues represents risk for a company and such consideration is therefore ingrained into Longview's analysis of long term growth and stability.
	Gilts	Insight believes strong governance practices and management of environmental and social risk are important drivers of investment value over the long and short term. Insight's research process
Insight	Non Gilts	<ul> <li>fully integrates ESG factors and where independent ESG analysis is not available, Insight uses its own developed ESG rating process.</li> </ul>
Hermes	Property	Hermes firmly believes that a responsible, sustainable approach to real estate investment management is the only strategy that both protects and enhances the value of client's assets, now and into the future. Responsible Property Investments principles are fully embedded in the investment process.
Aberdeen Standard Investments	Long Lease Property	Aberdeen Standard's policy is to act in the best interest of clients to protect and enhance the value of their investments in accordance with their Governance and Stewardship Principles and Policy Guidelines. Aberdeen Standard always seeks to vote on clients' securities.

## 2 ESG Considerations

Any significant changes to team or process for the managers as a result of ESG trends are detailed below.

#### 2.1 Majedie

- Majedie became a signatory to the UN PRI in January 2017. This decision was made following an internal study of Majedie's ESG integration and a consideration of how much best practice had already embedded and what had still to be developed. Majedie aims to contribute to the ESG debate, as well as bringing the benefits of being a signatory to their clients.
- Throughout 2017 Majedie focused on developing a proprietary research system to allow insights to be
  more efficiently shared across teams. It will mean analysts can more easily search for specific
  information such as oil spills, safety improvements or pay ratios and find a diverse range of content
  when making investment decisions.

#### 2.2 LGIM

- Following the successful launch of the LGIM Future World Fund in Q4 2016, a multi-factor global equities index fund incorporating a climate tilt to address climate change risks, Legal & General have extended the concept by launching further funds following the start of 2018: the Future World Climate Change Equity Factors Index Fund, the Future World Gender in Leadership UK Index Fund and the Future World Multi Asset Fund. This reinforces LGIM's commitment to long-term responsible investment, with funds incorporating LGIM's Climate Change Impact Pledge to engage with the world's largest companies that will need to adapt their business models to meet global climate change goals.
- After being a leading participator for some time, LGIM was elected to sit on the board of the Institutional Investor Group on Climate Change (IIGCC). This is an investor network who have been playing a pivotal role in shaping the climate and energy agenda in the UK and Europe. In response to the sustained and collective investor push, governments globally have been putting forward specific climate pledges NDCs (National Determined Contributions) which help to accelerate the investments into low carbon opportunities.

#### 2.3 Baillie Gifford

Baillie Gifford conducts carbon footprint analysis of the Global Alpha portfolio to provide a clearer
understanding of which companies are the most significant emitters of carbon. Baillie Gifford will use
this information to focus engagement efforts to understand the actions being taken by these companies
to manage and minimise their emissions. As at 31 March 2018, the Global Alpha portfolio had a 50%
lower relative carbon footprint and a 45% lower carbon intensity than the MSCI All Countries World
index.

#### 2.4 Longview

• There have been no significant ESG developments over 2017.

#### 2.5 Insight

- Insight launched a dedicated microsite for responsible investment which houses reports, policy documents and education material in addition to other content.
- In 2017, Insight's ESG Risk Working Group (consisting of senior managers from across the business) was expanded to include a North America representative.
- Insight updated the Responsible Investment Policy to shift focus away from the basics of responsible investment, towards their broader aspirations as a business.

#### 2.6 Hermes

• There have been no significant ESG developments at Hermes.

#### 2.7 Aberdeen Standard Investments

• There have been no significant changes to the Long Lease Property Fund team or process as a result of the ESG trends in 2017.

• More broadly, as a result of the merger of Standard Life Investments and Aberdeen Asset Management in August 2017, the Long Lease Property Fund, together with ASI's other real estate funds, now benefits from the support of an enlarged, dedicated real estate ESG team of three people, led by Dan Grandage. ESG continues to be embedded at the heart of ASI's investment process, and it features heavily at every stage of the asset management cycle. ASI is currently working on several improvements to its ESG approach within the investment process, which will be available to share with clients over the next few months.

# 3 Majedie

#### 3.1 Stewardship Code

Majedie's Stewardship Policy states that the main aim is to make money for clients, and that the investment team considers ESG factors as an integrated part of the investment process. Majedie aims to vote on all resolutions at all AGMs and EGMs held by companies in which Majedie invest for its clients. Majedie subscribe to Institutional Shareholder Services (ISS) who engage with companies regarding corporate governance and remuneration policies. Majedie has its own customised voting policy that is run in parallel with ISS's policy recommendations.

The key principles that frame Majedie's Stewardship Policy are:

- 1. Reference to the UK Corporate Governance Code
- 2. Open Communication
- 3. Shareholder Protection
- 4. Social, Ethical and Environmental Responsibility
- 5. Reporting
- 6. Shareholder Engagement
- 7. Collaboration
- 8. Stock Lending

#### 3.2 ESG actions in 2017

At the GAME Digital AGM in January 2017, Majedie voted against the Remuneration Report's suggestion to maintain Performance Share Plan (PSP) grants at their normal levels as a proportion of salary. Majedie felt that this would result in the possibility of executive directors receiving considerable gains when compared with previous years which, Majedie felt, was not aligned with shareholder interests.

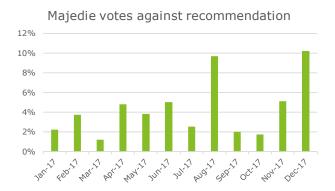
At the Chemring AGM in March 2017, the company consulted Majedie on its proposed Remuneration and Incentive Plan. The fund managers' feedback resulted in an improvement in the terms, and consequently Majedie voted in favour of the Policy and Plan which incorporated changes focused on achieving returns for shareholders in the medium to long term.

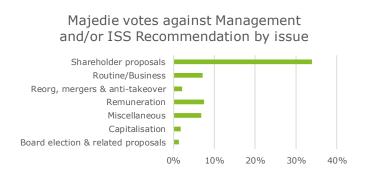
At the Barclays AGM in May 2017, Majedie voted in support of the re-election of Jes Staley as Barclays' CEO. Majedie viewed Staley as an effective leader and noted that he had admitted his mistakes following his involvement in a whistleblowing case, with disciplinary action already taken by the Board. In the absence of a finding from the regulators, Majedie were prepared to supports the Board in their decision to retain Staley.

At the Ladbrokes Coral AGM in May 2017, Majedie voted against the Remuneration Policy and the Performance Share Plan. The proposed increase in total remuneration opportunity was excessive in relation to the performance of the company.

#### 3.3 Voting Summary

Majedie voted at 349 shareholders meetings in 2017, voting in favour of the resolution in 92% of cases and 5% against. Given Majedie's approach to ESG as being an integrated part of their investment research and decisions, and therefore tend to invest in companies that have satisfied their investment filter in the first place, it is not surprising that the vast majority of votes are cast in favour of management. Majedie's voting record against both management and ISS recommendations in 2017 is shown in the charts below.





Majedie voted against recommendations most frequently in 2017 on shareholder proposals and routine issues.

#### 3.4 ESG research in 2017

During 2017, Majedie researched the downside scenario that climate change will result in more frequent natural disasters over time. Majedie notes that 2017 was a particularly bad year for reinsurance companies such as Everest Reinsurance for the number of hurricanes.

Long-term climate change means that there may be greater demand for pest control in the future. Following research Majedie notes that warmer temperatures driven by global warming may increase the frequency of pest outbreaks, particularly given the growing urbanisation in Emerging Market countries. The urbanisation trend may result in greater demand for pest control companies such as Rentokill in the future.

As part of Majedie's analysis of the Korean batter maker, Samsung SDI, Majedie considered the effect of renewable energy meeting an increasing proportion of global energy needs. Majedie also conducted scenario analysis which considered how regulation may result in electric vehicles accounting for a higher proportion of global automobile sales in the future.

# 4 Legal and General

#### 4.1 Stewardship Code

LGIM's mission is to use its influence to ensure companies integrate ESG factors into their culture and thinking every day and to ensure markets and regulators create an environment in which good management of ESG factors is valued and supported. LGIM's aim is to achieve positive societal impacts that will create sustainable long-term value. LGIM seek to achieve this through:

- Company engagement
- Using voting rights globally
- Integrating ESG factors into portfolio management
- Addressing systematic risks and opportunities
- Influencing governments, regulators and policy makers
- Collaborating with other investors and stakeholders

LGIM votes at all company meetings in the UK where the company has a premium listing. LGIM will vote at the meetings of smaller companies on an ad hoc basis when it holds a significant shareholding and the meeting is critical to the future of the business, or where LGIM has a significant concern with any aspects of its governance. LGIM also uses voting information services such as ISS and IVIS for their analysis and research on companies. Where LGIM votes against a resolution at a UK listed company, this will be followed up with a letter to the company giving rationale for the decision and will request a meeting to discuss LGIM's concerns.

#### **4.2 ESG** actions in 2017

Over the year 2017, LGIM's technology thematic group have examined the impact of the convergence of incremental change, technological trends and consumer demands around road vehicles. LGIM's analysis and engagement with Daimler suggested the carmaker held a low ranking in terms of its climate-related preparedness in comparison with similar companies. LGIM held 21 meetings with the company over the previous two years and continued to engage across LGIM's diverse team, including its Climate Impact Pledge, providing a detailed analysis of diesel risks and plans to transition to EVs. Management reassurance on its commitment to research and development and new technologies, given the low valuation, led to LGIM's equities team concluding that disruption was priced into Daimler's shares but evolving future opportunities were not and re-positioned their portfolios accordingly.

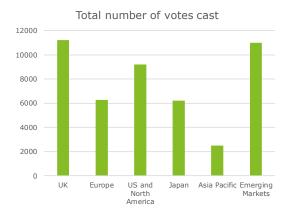
Following various meetings with Centrica and the UK regulator, LGIM was not confident in Centrica's ability to keep pace with the rapidly changing UK energy retail environment. Energy retail is a sector that, driven by the decarbonisation social agenda, has started to see an acceleration in the pace of change in its industry. Following analysis, it was apparent that longer term prospects for the company are more uncertain with Centrica's cashflows heavily reliant on a direct exposure to consumers. This lead to the decision by LGIM's analyst team to downgrade Centrica's credit recommendation.

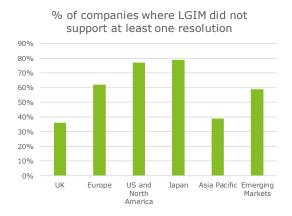
Following the announcement in 2017 that the Board Chair of BHP Billiton (BHP) would step down, LGIM was heavily involved in succession planning. Following a total of 13 meetings across 2017, taking account of the size and scale of the company, LGIM oversaw the announcement of a new chairman who it was believed his business operational experience as a former CEO will benefit BHP Billiton. LGIM publicly supported the appointment process.

In 2016, Wells Fargo was implicated in an internal cross-selling scandal involving 1.5 million fraudulent accounts. LGIM's 2016 engagement led to the CEO-chairman stepping down and company bylaws being amended to require separation of the CEO and chair roles. Over 2017, LGIM held six meetings with Wells Fargo, requesting that the board be refreshed, the composition of the audit and risk committees be reviewed and an external board effectiveness review be conducted to help through the transition. All of these changes were implemented by the company during the year and three more independent non-executive directors were appointed in January 2018 to strengthen the board.

#### 4.3 **Voting Summary**

Globally, LGIM voted at 3,024 Annual General Meetings in 2017 and cast 46,446 votes in total. The number of votes cast per region and a breakdown of where LGIM did not support at least one resolution per region is given below.





LGIM's most common votes against management was related to company Directors where LGIM opposed the election or re-election of 2,9807 directors in 2017.

## 5 Baillie Gifford

#### 5.1 Stewardship Code

Baillie Gifford's underlying philosophy on engagement and stock selection is to treat stewardship, responsibility and longevity as synonymous concepts.

Baillie Gifford aims to identify exceptional businesses with the potential to deliver outsized, long-term returns for clients, providing support and encouraging ambitions while also taking the opportunity to learn from conversations.

As long-term owners of companies, Baillie Gifford believes it is essential to consider the broad stakeholder economics of each of its investments. Baillie Gifford believes that environmental, social and governance factors must be considered carefully given their potential impact on the future health of a business as measured through growth and returns.

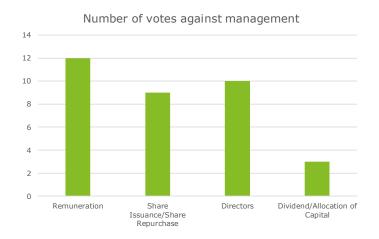
#### 5.2 ESG actions in 2017

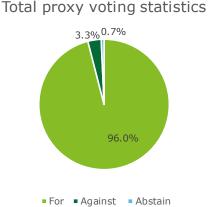
Baillie Gifford held conversations with Tesla over 2017, revolving around human capital management, board make-up, M&A activity and Elon Musk's remuneration. Tesla's contribution to a lower carbon economy, in Baillie Gifford's view, far outweighs the governance issues that have appeared in the media. The engagement meetings are taking place to ensure the company is positioned to continue with its positive contribution to the environment and society, as well as the shareholders.

Over 2017, Baillie Gifford held discussions with the management of Royal Caribbean Cruises in relation to its remuneration policy. Baillie Gifford has been concerned about the repeated use of discretionary equity awards, made in addition to normal long-term incentives. Following discussions with management, Baillie Gifford has opposed a number of resolutions on executive, as well as recently opposing the re-election of the chair of the remuneration committee.

#### 5.3 Voting Summary

Baillie Gifford voted against management remuneration related issues most frequently in 2017, as represented by the bar chart below. The pie chart represents a summary of the Global Alpha fund's proxy voting activities in 2017. Of the 1137 votes cast over the year, Baillie Gifford supported management resolutions on the majority of occasions.





# 6 Longview

#### **6.1** Stewardship Code

Longview actively engages with senior management and encourages high standards of corporate governance. This engagement covers strategy as well as corporate responsibility issues with company directors and executives. Longview believes that these factors affect the potential for a company to deliver long-term sustainable value to shareholders. Where there is past, current or anticipated behaviour that is judged to be adverse to future earnings, these concerns are addressed in Longview's fundamental research and investment process. .

Assessing the significance of ESG related risks and opportunities is an integral part of Longview's bottom-up research process:

- Governance issues considered within the quality rating, with the key element of this analysis being the company's treatment of shareholders and its use of capital;
- Longview believes that a lack of consideration for environmental issues can negatively impact the growth of a business and its long and short-term profitability; and
- With regards to social issues, Longview takes direction from clients as to whether it is deemed appropriate to own certain companies in their portfolio.

During the continual assessment of investments, Longview ensure on-going dialogue with the management of companies takes place. This is to ensure that these businesses continue to perform in line with expectations and are meeting reasonable governance holdings.

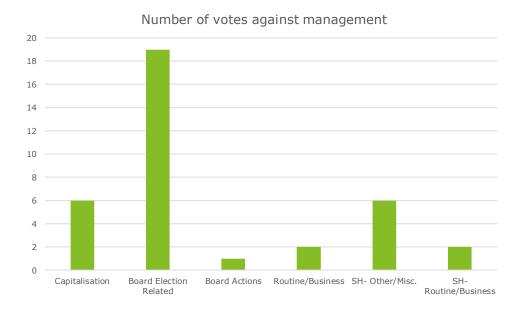
#### 6.2 ESG actions in 2017

In March 2017, Longview met with Jerome Contamine (CFO) and George Grofik (Investor Relations) of Sanofi, expressing concerns regarding Sanofi's bid for Swiss biotech company Acctelion in November 2016. Longview believed the price Sanofi had been willing to pay was too high and that Actelion would struggle to meet the criteria for creating the terminal value spoken of from Jerome's previous meetings with Longview. After conversations it was agreed that acquisitions should have both strategic and financial value, the opportunity was not pursued.

During May 2017, Longview was approached by Compass Group to discuss the company's proposed three-year remuneration policy which was due to commence in 2018. Longview put forward a preferred remuneration structure which placed emphasis on operating performance-based metrics rather than those connected to the share price. Further meetings took place throughout 2017 and Longview engaged in a further conference call in July 2017 with the Remuneration Chair, HR Director and Company Secretary of Compass Group. Longview was generally satisfied that the remuneration structure adequately aligns the interests of shareholders with those of management, with the only exception being the company's exclusion of share buy-backs from a new long term incentive plan performance measure. Longview's objection was understood and acknowledged by the company and the proposed new performance measure was not included in the final version of the remuneration policy.

#### **6.3 Voting Summary**

The chart below represents the number of times Longview voted against management over 2017. Longview voted against management most frequently on matters related to the election of Board members over 2017.



## 7 Insight

#### 7.1 Stewardship Code

Insight considers responsible investment as central to investment activities, culture, relationships with clients and to interaction with stakeholder. Insight's credit selection process incorporates an assessment of ESG risks alongside financial and other investment considerations.

To deliver on these objectives, Insight:

- 1. Takes account of financially material short and long-term risk factors in their investment research and decision-making process. These risk factors may include environmental, social and governance issues.
- 2. Exercises a stewardship role in the companies and other entities in which Insight invests in. Insight believes that good stewardship can create investment opportunities and reduce investment risk. Insight therefore engages with management to discuss issues such as strategy, deployment of capital, performance, remuneration, risk management and ESG factors.
- 3. Supports efforts that seek to improve the operation, resilience and stability of financial markets. This includes sustainable economic development and health of the natural environment.

Insight has open and regular communication with companies it has exposure to in a fixed income sense. ESG is regarded as a subset of risk factors which form part of Insight's credit analysis, believing these factors are a proxy for issuer quality. Insight engages with debt issuers, encouraging the improvement of their practices and performance, with the aim of improving the value of the credit.

Being a member of BNY Mellon Investment Management, Insight is able to participate in meetings with issuers where the interest of equity investors tends to take prominence. This allows Insight added exposure to the company which other debt investors may not get.

#### **7.2 ESG** actions in 2017

A company in the consumer non-discretionary sector brought a new issue to market in 2016. Insight highlighted ESG issues, scoring a 5 (poorest possible ESG rating), with particular concerns around corruption and product quality breaches. For Insight's active portfolios, because the bonds had an investment grade rating but were priced as a high-yield BB-rated issue, Insight believed the potential upside of short-term investment returns outweighed the likely material impact of a weaker ESG profile. Following Insight's investment, the bonds rallied meaning that financial and non-financial risks, including ESG risks, were no longer priced into spread levels and Insight sold down the bonds.

In 2017, there was strong demand for an investment-grade global retailer, however during the due diligence process an Insight analyst identified several credit and business risks. These risks included a complex corporate structure; the bond was issued from a regional entity while the financial statements were for the group as a whole, the regional issuing entity did not have access to the cashflow or assets of other entities, and the issuer was listed in an unstable emerging market. The analyst therefore recommended to avoid buying the new issue and in later 2017 significant accounting irregularities were reported, but not detailed. Credit ratings agencies materially downgraded the company from investment grade to high yield and the issue from 2017 lost approximately half of its value.

#### 7.3 Credit analysis & ESG engagement

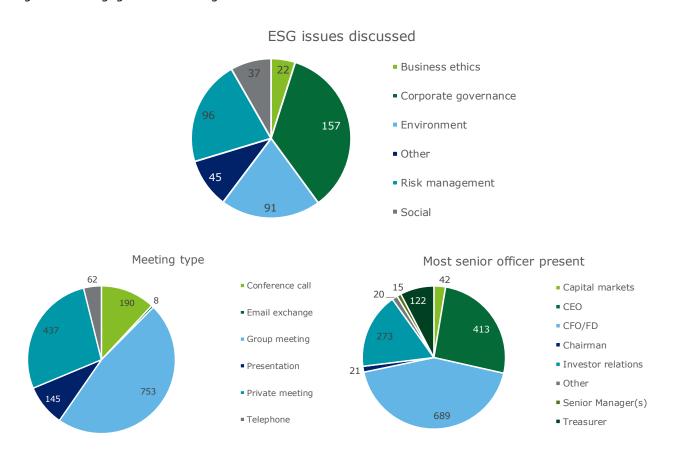
As part of Insight's credit research process, where ESG issues are material, analysts are required to comment on the implications of the ratings given to companies (where third-party ratings provided by MSCI were unavailable). A selection of comments provided by analysts when making investment decisions for the credit portfolio is given below in the absence of any voting statistics. The recommendation that the following companies issues were not suitable for the buy and maintain portfolio were accompanied by the comments below:

"The company has a bad overall score...The poor social score is driven by product safety and quality concerns, and exposure to corruption and instability due to its significant emerging market exposure. The company has recently experienced several product recalls."

"Given the various ESG concerns, the frequent acquisitions and low BBB ratings, the company is not appropriate for buy-and-maintain accounts."

"The emerging market banks don't score particularly well...my bigger concerns would be: governance (given the complex ownership structures...) and interference from large shareholders; potential for money laundering and corruption issues – particularly given the sprawling networks in the region; opaque accounting – given the issues around consolidation of different entities, transition to IFRS, and changing regulatory requirements; potential for shareholder influence in lending decisions – given the partial ownership of the banks by industrial groups; and politicisation of lending and regulatory decisions."

Insight's ESG engagements relating to their fixed income interests for 2017 are summarised below:



## 8 Hermes

#### 8.1 Stewardship Code

Hermes fully embeds its Responsible Property Investment (RPI) principles. These principles highlight the need to:

- Continuously improve monitoring of ESG performance during refurbishment and development projects;
- Focus on EU and UK sustainable finance, green growth and energy policies within sector and public policy engagement; and
- Abide by climate disclosure TSFD recommendations for Real Estate and soft landings and operational green certification.

#### 8.2 RPI programme priorities for 2018

Every year Hermes reviews its strategy and identifies priorities for action to deliver continuous improvements across its portfolios. Hermes has identified the following issues as important elements to focus on and integrate more explicitly and within its processes:

- Tenant engagement activities including occupier due diligence to include ESG risk assessment, increase the depth and coverage of occupier engagement and performance data and increase coverage of occupier performance data.
- Well-being and responsible property management activities such as working with experts in the
  industry to develop new and innovative ways of improving the work environment for occupiers, utilising
  new technology and certifications along with continuous improvements on operational performance.
- Working with industry to develop a process to measure positive impacts of Real Estate investments and EU and UK sustainable finance, green growth and energy policies.

#### 8.3 Voting Summary

HPUT has direct management control of assets and therefore cannot use voting as a means of influencing organisations.

# 9 Aberdeen Standard Investments

#### 9.1 Stewardship Code

Aberdeen Standard's policy states that it will aim to:

- Support investors with a full range of investment opportunities and solutions, and the highest level of service and support.
- Continue to implement the long legacy of both managers as responsible investors, prior to the merger
  of Standard Life and Aberdeen Asset Management in August 2017 ESG has historically sat within each
  company's stewardship approach.
- Use reasonable endeavours to enhance long-term shareholder value through constructive engagement with companies and other corporate governance initiatives.
- Always seek to vote clients' securities and engage with companies on their behalf in a manner consistent with their best interests.
- Use reasonable endeavours to influence the development of the corporate governance and stewardship environment.
- Communicate their Governance and Stewardship Principles and Guidelines to clients, companies and other interested parties.
- Be accountable to clients within the constraints of professional confidentiality and legislative and regulatory requirements.

#### **9.2 ESG** actions in 2017

During 2017, ASI held 302 one-to-one ESG engagements with investee companies with 180 of these planned on the basis of ASI's engagement priorities and 122 organised in reaction to ESG change. In total, 111 of these engagements were with overseas companies. ASI notes its particular satisfaction that engagement with US companies continues to increase as ASI builds its ESG relationships and is encouraged that more of these engagements involved independent board members.

ASI has been a shareholder in Galp Energia, Portugal's only oil and natural gas integrated operator, for many years. After being made aware of the company's chairman and 33% shareholder's plans to step down in favour of his daughter, ASI requested a call to discuss this change and in April 2017 were able to speak to the vice-chairman. ASI expressed its view that the board, with 19 members, was large and lacked independence. ASI repeated its previous call for better disclosure around the nominations process.

#### 9.3 Voting Summary

The Long Lease Property Fund has direct management control of assets and therefore cannot use voting as a means of influencing organisations.

## 10 Appendix I – UN PRI

In 2005, then UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan invited some of the world's largest institutional investors to develop the Principles for Responsible Investment. Since being launch in 2006, the list of signatories has grown from 100 to over 1600. In implementing the principles, investors contribute to developing a more sustainable global financial system and can incorporate ESG issues into their investment practice. The six principles for responsible investment are listed below:

- 1. We will incorporate ESG issues into investment analysis and decision-making processes.
- 2. We will be active owners and incorporate ESG issues into our ownership policies and practices.
- 3. We will seek appropriate disclosure on ESG issues by the entities in which we invest.
- 4. We will promote acceptance and implementation of the principles within the investment industry.
- 5. We will work together to enhance our effectiveness in implementing the principles.
- 6. We will each report on our activities and progress toward implementing the principles.

# 11 Appendix II - UK Stewardship Code

The UK Stewardship Code aims to enhance the quality of engagement between investors and companies to help improve long-term risk adjusted returns to shareholders.

The code states that investors should:

- 1. Publicly disclose their policy on how they will discharge their stewardship responsibilities
- 2. Have a robust policy on managing conflicts of interest in relation to stewardship which should be publicly disclosed
- 3. Monitor their investee companies
- 4. Establish clear guidelines on when and how they will escalate their stewardship activities
- 5. Be willing to act collectively with other investors where appropriate
- 6. Have a clear policy on voting and disclosure of voting activity
- 7. Report periodically on their stewardship and voting activities

# 12 Appendix III – Shareholder Voting Services

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## Committee Report

Decision Maker: PENSION FUND COMMITTEE

Date: 18 October 2018

Classification: General Release

Title: Performance of the Council's Pension Fund

Wards Affected: All

Policy Context: Effective control over Council Activities

Financial Summary: There are no immediate financial implications

arising from this report, although investment performance has an impact on the Council's employer contribution to the Pension Fund and this is a charge to the General Fund.

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#### 1. Executive Summary

1.1 This report presents the performance of the Pension Fund's investments, together with an update on the funding position to 30 June 2018.

#### 2. Recommendation

2.1 The Committee is asked to note the performance of the investments, and funding position.

#### 3. Background

- 3.1 The terms of reference of the Pension Fund Committee require the committee to monitor the performance of the Pension Fund, individual fund managers, and other service providers to ensure that they remain suitable.
- 3.2 This report presents a summary of the Pension Fund's performance and estimated funding level to 30 June 2018. The investment performance report (Appendix 1) has been prepared by Deloitte, the Fund's investment

- adviser, who will be attending the meeting to present the key points and answer questions.
- 3.3 The Investment Performance Report shows that over the quarter to 30 June 2018, the market value of the assets Increased by £75m to a value of £1,406m (£1,331m at 31 March 2018). The fund outperformed the benchmark net of fees by 0.8%. This is mainly attributable to the positive relative returns from Majedie.
- 3.4 The Investment Performance Report shows that over the year to 30 June 2018, the fund outperformed the benchmark net of fees by 1.5% with Baillie Gifford being the largest contributor, offsetting underperformance from Majedie.
- 3.5 The advisors continue to rate the fund managers favourably, with the exception of Longview, with the retirement of the Chief Executive, Ramzi Rishani a concern. They have also expressed ongoing concern about resignations and vacancies at senior management level within the London CIV..
- 3.6 The Committee elected to rebalance its equity exposure by selling down from its Longview portfolio and transferring to the LCIV's Multi Asset Credit Fund. This has been scheduled for a 1 November 2018 transition date. The Committee will be provided with a full transition report at the next meeting.
- 3.7 The funding update (Appendix 2) has been prepared by the fund actuary, Barnett Waddingham. This indicates that the estimated funding level as at 30 June 2018 was 92.8% an increase of 0.6% on the last quarter's 92.2% to 31 March 2018. This is due mainly to a greater return on assets than that anticipated at the time of the triennial valuation at 31 March 2016. This position is also up 12.8% on the funding level of 80% that was calculated at the triennial valuation of 31 March 2016.
- 3.8 Appendix 3 shows the performance of the Fund against the wider LGPS universe. The City of Westminster Pension Fund has performed very well, in the 13<sup>th</sup> percentile of the overall universe in terms of investment asset growth.

If you have any questions about this report, or wish to inspect one of the background papers, please contact the report author:

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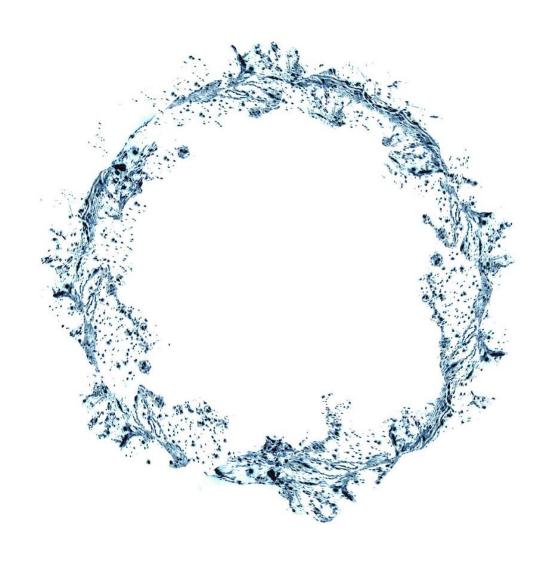
BACKGROUND PAPERS: None

**APPENDICES:** 

Appendix 1: Deloitte Investment Report, Quarter Ending 30 June 2018. Appendix 2: Barnett Waddingham Funding Update as at 30 June 2018. Appendix 3: 2017/18 Performance Review PIRC



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### **City of Westminster Pension Fund** Investment Performance Report to 30 June 2018

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# 1 Market Background

#### Three and twelve months to 30 June 2018

The UK equity market made strong gains over the second quarter of 2018, rebounding after the fall in the previous quarter. The FTSE All Share Index delivered a return of 9.2%. A general improvement in economic conditions in the UK and globally certainly contributed to gains, but the depreciation of sterling over the second quarter was the main driver of returns as overseas earnings were revalued at a more favourable exchange rate. Performance may well have been stronger but escalating trade tensions will have weighed on markets.

The FTSE 100 Index rose by 9.6% while the FTSE Small Cap Index increased by 6.1% over the quarter. All sectors delivered positive absolute returns over the quarter with the exception of Telecommunications, which delivered a negative return of -3.8%. Oil & Gas was the best performing sector (19.2%) fuelled by rising oil prices over the quarter.

Global equity markets performed positively given the improving economic picture over the second quarter but underperformed UK equities in both local currency terms (3.2%) and sterling terms (6.9%). The weakening of sterling contributed to the UK's outperformance of overseas markets and also meant that currency hedging detracted from returns over the quarter. Trade tensions affected returns in overseas markets with countries and regions with greater reliance on exports particularly badly affected. For example, Asia Pacific ex Japan equities fell by 1% and returns across European markets, whilst positive, were weighed down by German stocks. North America was the best performing region (3.7% in local currency terms) with Emerging Markets the poorest performing region (-3.6%) as capital flowed out of the region as investors preferred the relative security of the US.

Nominal gilt yields fell at the short end of the curve as inflation fears eased, but increased at longer maturities. Overall, the All Stocks Gilts Index delivered a return of 0.2% over the quarter. Real yields mirrored the shift in the nominal yield curve, falling for shorter durations and rising for longer durations. The general increase in real yields was more pronounced however, as inflation expectations fell, with the Over 5 Year Index-Linked Gilts Index returning -1.2% over the period. Credit spreads widened further over the second quarter, and the iBoxx All Stocks Non Gilt Index subsequently delivered a return of -0.1%.

Over the 12 months to 30 June 2018, the FTSE All Share Index delivered a positive return of 9.0% which was primarily attributable to the gains from the improving global economic environment in the second half of 2017 and continued sterling weakness. Oil & Gas (30.4%) was the best performing sector while Telecommunications (-19.1%) was the poorest performing sector. Global equity markets outperformed UK markets in both local and sterling terms, representative of the stronger economic environment overseas in the absence of Brexit related uncertainty.

UK nominal gilts delivered positive returns over the 12 months to 30 June 2018 as yields fell, with the All Stocks Gilts Index returning 1.9% and the Over 15 Year Gilts Index returning 4.2%. UK index-linked gilts also delivered positive returns, with the Over 5 Year Index-Linked Gilts Index returning 2.0%. Credit spreads widened over the year to 30 June 2018. Consequently, corporate bonds underperformed gilts over the period returning 0.6%.

The IPD UK Monthly Property Index returned 2.2% over the quarter and 10.9% over the year to 30 June 2018, following continued strong demand for UK property – and in spite of the continued uncertainty over Brexit





## 2 Total Fund

#### 2.1 Investment Performance to 30 June 2018

The following table summarises the performance of the Fund's managers.

Manager	Asset Class	Last (	)uarte	r (%)	(%) Last Year (%)		Last 3 Years (% p.a.)¹			Since inception (% p.a.) <sup>1</sup>			
		Fund		B'mark	Fund		B'mark	Fund		B'mark	Fund		B'mark
		Gross	Net <sup>1</sup>		Gross	Net¹		Gross	Net¹		Gross	Net <sup>1</sup>	
Majedie	UK Equity	10.8	10.6	9.2	8.8	8.2	9.0	8.6	8.0	9.6	13.1	12.5	11.0
LGIM	Global Equity	2.8	2.8	2.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	8.6	8.5	8.5	12.1	12.1	12.1
Baillie Gifford	Global Equity	7.2	7.1	6.8	15.9	15.5	8.9	19.7	19.4	14.7	16.7	16.3	13.2
Longview	Global Equity	8.8	8.7	8.1	8.8	8.2	9.3	15.2	14.6	15.0	14.9	14.2	13.1
Insight	Buy and Maintain	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Hermes	Property	2.3	2.2	2.3	10.9	10.5	10.3	9.6	9.2	8.6	10.3	9.9	8.9
Aberdeen Standard	Property	2.0	1.9	0.7	9.6	9.1	3.9	8.1	7.6	6.7	9.1	8.6	6.6
Total		5.6	5.5	4.7	9.2	8.9	7.4	10.5	10.2	9.4	n/a	n/a	n/a

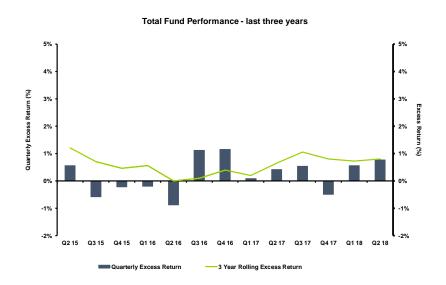
Source: Northern Trust

(1) Estimated by Deloitte when manager data is not available

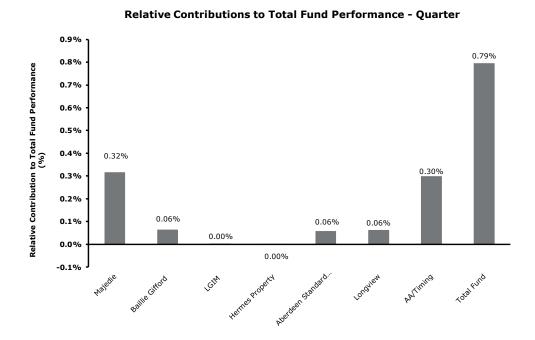
See appendix 1 for more detail on manager fees and since inception dates

The Fund outperformed its benchmark by 0.8% net of fees over the quarter to 30 June 2018. Over the one year and three year periods to 30 June 2018, the Fund outperformed its benchmark by 1.5% and 0.8% p.a. net of fees respectively. The outperformance over the quarter was driven by the positive relative returns from Majedie, Baillie Gifford, Longview and Aberdeen Standard.

The chart below shows the relative performance of the Fund over the quarter and last three years, highlighting that the rolling three-year performance is ahead of the benchmark. Please note that performance is shown net of fees versus the benchmark.

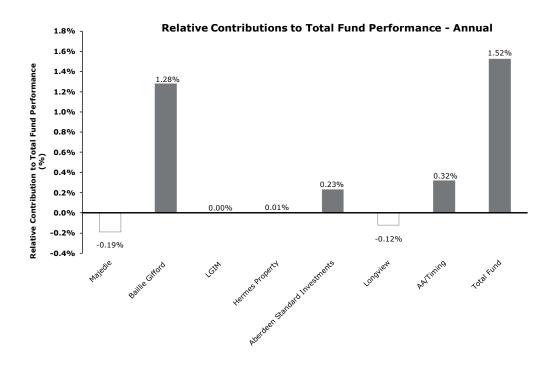


#### 2.2 Attribution of Performance to 30 June 2018



On a net of fees performance basis, the Fund outperformed its benchmark by 0.8% over the second quarter of 2018, largely as a result of outperformance from Majedie. The "AA/Timing" bar provided a large contribution to the total fund outperformance, this was primarily driven by the Fund having an overweight allocation to equities, with the equity market making strong gains over the quarter.

Over the year the Fund outperformed the benchmark by 1.5% with Baillie Gifford being the largest contributor, offsetting underperformance from Majedie and Longview.



#### 2.3 Asset Allocation as at 30 June 2018

The table below shows the assets held by manager and asset class as at 30 June 2018.

Manager	Asset Class	End Mar 2018 (£m)	End June 2018 (£m)	End Mar 2018 (%)	End June 2018 (%)	Benchmark Allocation* (%)
Majedie	UK Equity	297.5	329.5	22.3	23.4	22.5
LGIM	Global Equity (Passive)	310.4	319.1	23.3	22.7	22.5
Baillie Gifford	Global Equity	264.3	283.4	19.9	20.2	25
Longview	Global Equity	142.8	155.4	10.7	11.1	
	Total Equity	1,015.0	1,087.4	76.2	77.4	70
Insight	Fixed Interest Gilts (Passive)	18.7	0.0	1.4	0.0	0
Insight	Sterling Non- Gilts	173.5	0.0	13.0	0.0	
Insight	Buy and Maintain	0.0	191.4	0.0	13.6	20
	Total Bonds	192.2	191.4	14.4	13.6	20
Hermes	Property	63.7	65.2	4.8	4.6	5
Aberdeen Standard	Property	60.5	61.7	4.5	4.4	5
To be determined	Property / Infrastructure	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
	Total Property	124.2	126.9	9.3	9.0	10
	Total	1,331.4	1,405.7	100	100	100

Source: Northern Trust

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Over the quarter the market value of the assets increased by c. £74.3m, largely as a result of positive returns from the Fund's equity investments.

As at 30 June 2018, the Fund was 7.4% overweight to equities when compared with the amended benchmark allocation and underweight bonds and property by c. 6.4% and 1.0% respectively.

On 22 March 2018, the Insight gilts and non-gilts portfolios were restructured into a format that could be transitioned in-specie into Insight's Buy and Maintain fund ("IBAM"). Government bonds, supranational bonds and corporate bonds that were unsuitable for buy and maintain were sold. The restructuring process was completed on 6 April and transitioned to IBAM on 12 April.

Following quarter end, in August 2018, the decision was taken to make a 6.5% allocation to CQS' Multi Asset Credit fund which is to be funded from the Longview mandate.

<sup>\*</sup> The benchmark allocation has been set to 70% equity, 20% bonds and 10% property to better align the benchmark performance calculation with the allocation and performance of the Fund. The Fund's long term strategic benchmark allocation includes a 5% allocation to Property / Infrastructure, which will be funded from the equity portfolio.

#### 2.4 Yield analysis as at 30 June 2018

The table below shows the yield as reported by the managers on each of the Fund's investments.

Manager	Asset Class	Yield as at 30 June 2018
Majedie	UK Equity	2.90%**
Baillie Gifford	Global Equity	0.80%**
LGIM	Global Equity (Passive)	0.22%*
Longview	Global Equity	2.14%
Insight	Buy and Maintain	2.68%
Hermes Property	Property	4.20%
Aberdeen Standard Investments	Long Lease Property	4.08%
	Total	1.47%

<sup>\*</sup>Benchmark yield is 2.4% (represents the income that would be distributed).

<sup>\*\*</sup> Majedie and Baillie Gifford yields are provided by the London CIV and are historic yields, reflecting the distributions declared over the past 12 months as a percentage of average market value.

# 3 Summary of Manager Ratings

The table below summarises Deloitte's ratings of the managers employed by the Fund and triggers against which managers should be reviewed.

Manager	Mandate	Triggers for Review	Rating		
Majedie	UK Equity	Further turnover within the core investment team			
		Re-opening the UK Equity products with no clear limits on the value of assets that they would take on			
Baillie	Global Equity	Loss of key personnel	1		
Gifford		Change in investment approach			
		Lack of control in growth of assets under management			
Longview	Global Equity	Loss of key personnel	2		
		Change in investment approach			
		Lack of control in growth of assets under management			
LGIM	Global Equity (Passive)	Major deviation from benchmark returns	1		
		Significant loss of assets under management			
Insight	Buy and Maintain	Departure of any of the senior members of the investment team	1		
Hermes	Property	Significant growth in the value of assets invested in the fund	1		
		Changes to the team managing the mandate			
Aberdeen Standard Investments	Property	Richard Marshall leaving the business or ceasing to be actively involved in the Fund without having gone through an appropriate hand-over	1		
		A build up within the Fund of holdings with remaining lease lengths around 10 years			

#### 3.1 London CIV

#### **Business**

As at 30 June 2018, the London CIV had 12 sub-funds and assets under management of £6.9bn. The total assets under oversight (which includes passive investments held outside of the CIV platform) increased over the quarter from just under £15bn to c. £16.2bn and represents c. 43% of the 32 London Borough's total AuM.

Over the quarter, two new funds were added to the LCIV:

- Sustainable Equity Fund, managed by RBC
- Multi Asset Credit Fund, managed by CQS.

These two fund launches have had £0.5bn investments from six borough pension funds to date.

**Deloitte view** – There has been high turnover of personnel at the London CIV, with the recent departures of Hugh Grover, CEO, and Julian Pendock, CIO, being of significant loss. It is crucial that steps are taken to rebuild the senior management team and an appropriate strategy agreed for taking the pool forward, getting "buy-in" from the shareholders. We are continuing to monitor developments on the business side as well as the new fund launches.

#### 3.2 Majedie

#### **Business**

The total assets under management for Majedie was c. £15.0bn as at 30 June 2018, an increase of c. £1.2bn over the second guarter of 2018.

#### Personnel

Chris Reid, a Portfolio Manager on the UK Equity Income and Focus Fund and one of Majedie's founding partners, left the firm at the end of June to pursue a postgraduate degree in finance.

Mark Wharrier and Imran Sattar joined the firm over the quarter. Mark joined from Troy Asset Management and manages the UK Income Fund. Mark was previously at BlackRock for four years where he managed the BlackRock UK Income Fund. Imran joins from BlackRock and will co-manage the Majedie UK Focus Fund alongside existing managers James de Uphaugh, Chris Field and Matthew Smith. Imran was a fund manager on BlackRock's UK Equity Fund.

Harry Jebb and Karyne Blackman also joined as a Client Manager and Accounts Assistant respectively.

**Deloitte view** – We continue to rate Majedie positively for its UK Equity capabilities.

#### 3.3 Baillie Gifford

#### **Business**

Total assets under management as at 30 June 2018 was c. £193bn, down from c. £178bn as at 31 March 2018.

#### Personnel

Tom Coutts, head of Baillie Gifford's EAFE Alpha strategy will become Chief of Investment Staff in September, responsible for managing the investment team resources. This is a role that Baillie Gifford rotates every few years.

In May 2018, five new partners were appointed with Sarah Whitley, Head of Japanese equities; Stephen Rodger, Head of Credit; Ken Barker, Client Service Director and Pet Cooke, Client Service Director all retiring.

**Deloitte view:** We continue to rate Baillie Gifford positively for its equity capabilities.

#### 3.4 LGIM

#### **Business**

As at 31 December 2017, Legal & General Investment Management ("Legal & General") had total assets under management ("AuM) of £983bn, an increase of £32bn since 30 June 2017. (Note, LGIM reports AuM half-yearly and the 30 June 2018 figures are expected to be published in late August 2018.)

In July, post quarter-end, it was announced that Legal & General was reported to the FCA by at least three employees under whistleblower rules regarding its risk culture and compliance failures. This included trading errors, which were not reported to LGIM's internal risk management team. The complaints are in relation to LGIM's active asset management business.

We have held a number of subsequent conversations with Legal & General around this and concluded that the incident has no direct effect on the Fund's investments, with the errors being in relation to the active fixed income team. Legal & General explained that this is a longstanding allegation and has conducted an investigation using independent external advisors keeping the FCA regularly updated. The client for which the error was made was fully compensated some time ago. LGIM also carried out a broader investigation into its corporate culture, supported again by independent experts, which concluded that the culture is professional and positive. While we will continue to monitor the incident, we are satisfied that Legal & General has taken the action to rectify the error and we retain a positive view with regard to their attitude towards risk culture and client service in general.

#### **Personnel**

At a firm level, LGIM announced in July, post quarter-end, the planned retirement of Mark Zinkula, CEO of LGIM (UK), which has been agreed to take effect from 31 August 2019. Whilst significant, the announcement – if not the exact timing – had been expected as Mark had always made clear his period based in the UK would be finite and that he planned to return to the US. The 13-month notice is expected to give LGIM sufficient time to appoint a replacement and ensure a smooth transition, and we will continue to monitor updates of LGIM's

succession plan and any likely impact it may have on the LGIM's firm-wide strategy and the Scheme's mandates invested with LGIM.

At the Index team level, there was one new joiner in the second quarter of 2018 as Ciera Radia joined to take up the position of Fund Management Analyst.

**Deloitte View** – We continue to rate Legal & General positively for its passive capabilities.

Allegations around risk failures are extremely serious but we believe that LGIM is taking these reports seriously and has already conducted an investigation into its corporate culture with the support of external independent experts. We are supportive of LGIM keeping the Regulator fully informed and see the fact that the FCA is not investigating this matter further as providing some reassurance. While we will continue to monitor the incident, we are satisfied that LGIM has taken action to rectify the error and our view of LGIM overall as a passive and LDI manager in particular remains positive.

#### 3.5 Longview

#### **Business**

As at 30 June 2018, Longview managed c. \$26.4bn on behalf of its clients, an increase of c. \$0.3bn over the quarter.

During the second quarter of 2018, net flows out of the firm amounted to c. \$311m. However there were no flows out of the Global Equity fund over the quarter.

#### Personnel

There were no changes to the Investment Team over the second quarter of 2018.

**Deloitte view** – The departure of Ramzi Rishani in March means that both of Longview's founding partners are no longer involved in the business. This is a significant departure given Ramzi's current role and involvement in the success of the business to date. Taking these factors into account, we would not put this strategy forward for new business. The decision has been taken to disinvest from the strategy however given the current overweight to equities, the proceeds are to be invested in a new fixed income strategy (CQS) and infrastructure strategy.

#### 3.6 Insight

#### **Business**

Insight's total AuM increased by c. £20bn over the quarter, with over £600bn in assets under management, as at 30 June 2018. The Insight Buy and Maintain fund held assets under management of c. £2.2bn as at 30 June 2018.

#### **Personnel**

Insight made no changes to their Buy and Maintain fund team over the quarter.

There were three new joiners to the Fixed Income team over the quarter.

- Dimitrios Theodorikas, an Analyst in the Secured Finance Team, is responsible for analysing assetbacked investments. Prior to joining Insight, he spent two years at Moody's Analytics as a Financial Engineer having oversight of modelling and data process.
- Lillian Fieldman-Bernal, Loans Closer, has a primary focus on loan and bond settlement. Prior to Insight, she spent almost ten years at BlueBay Asset Management LLP.
- Pedro Fernandes, Senior Loans Closer, has a primary focus on loan and bond settlement. Prior to Insight, he spent ten years at Investec Bank Plc working as a Transaction Manager.

**Deloitte view** – We rate Insight positively for its Fixed Income capabilities but continue to monitor how growth is being managed across the business.

#### 3.7 Hermes

#### Business

Total assets under management increased by c. £0.3bn to £33.3bn over the second quarter of 2018. Assets under management within the HPUT remained relatively constant at c. £1.6bn over the quarter to 30 June 2018.

Over the previous quarter, to 31 March 2018, it was announced that Federated Investors, a large investment manager in the US, will acquire a majority stake (60%) in Hermes Fund Managers Limited for c. \$350m from BT Pension Scheme (BTPS). BTPS will retain a c. 30% share in Hermes with the final 10% being retained by members of Hermes' management team.

#### Personnel

There were no changes to the HPUT team over the quarter.

**Deloitte view** – We continue to closely monitor the business development over the previous quarter and will provide an update of our views following further review. We continue to rate the team managing HPUT and at this stage, see no reason to change this.

#### 3.8 Aberdeen Standard Investments – Long Lease Property

#### **Business**

Assets under management remained broadly unchanged at c. £2.2bn as at 30 June 2018.

ASI announced that from 1 April 2018 the fee rate being charged on the Long Lease Property Fund has changed from the flat fee of 0.5% on assets invested to the following sliding fee scale:

- 0.5% on first £25m of assets invested;
- 0.4% on assets in the range of £25m-£50m; and
- 0.3% on assets over £50m.

This will benefit the Fund which had c. £61.7m invested in the Fund as at 30 June 2018. Fee reductions will be achieved through a management charge rebate in the form of either increasing the number of units held by the Fund or through a cash payment made monthly to the Fund bank account.

#### Personnel

Aberdeen Standard Investments had previously announced that the leadership team for Aberdeen Standard Investments Real Estate Division who will be led by Global Co-Heads of Real Estate, David Paine and Pertti Vanhanen, with Mike Hannigan appointed as Head of Real Estate UK. In March 2018 Mike announced his integrated UK management team: Richard Marshall (Head of UK Secure, Residential and Alternative Funds), Cameron Murray (Head of UK Institutional Funds), Mark Watt (Head of UK Wholesale Funds and Investment Trusts), Nick Ireland (Head of UK Segregated Funds), Simon Moscow (Head of Portfolio Management), Rob Cass (Head of Transaction Management) and James Stevens (Head of UK Development).

It was also confirmed that Richard Marshall would remain as Fund Manager of both the SLI Long Lease Property Fund and SLI Ground Rent Fund.

#### **Process**

Since the two businesses merged, ASI has put in place a formalised process where all potential transactions are reviewed and an "allocation policy" applied where interest is expressed in the investment by more than one fund/client portfolio.

**Deloitte View** – We continue to monitor ASI post-merger with the organisation currently in the midst of the integration. ASI has been keen to stress that the management of the Long Lease Property Fund is unaffected by the merger and developments over the quarter appear to reinforce this view. We remain positive on long lease property given the long-term, inflation-linked nature of the contractual cashflows which arise from this type of investment.

### 4 London CIV

#### 4.1 Investment Performance to 30 June 2018

As at 30 June 2018, the London CIV had 12 sub-funds and assets under management of £6,937m. The total assets under oversight (which includes passive investments held outside of the CIV platform) increased over the quarter from just under £15bn to c. £16.2bn.

The table below provides an overview of the sub-funds currently available on the London CIV platform.

Sub-fund	Asset Class	Manager	Total AuM as at 31 March 2018 (£m)	Total AuM as at 30 June 2018 (£m)	Number of London CIV clients	Inception Date
LCIV MJ UK Equity	UK Equity	Majedie	494	546	3	18/05/17
LCIV Global Equity Alpha	Global Equity	Allianz Global Investors	720	114	1	02/12/15
LCIV BG Global Alpha Growth	Global Equity	Baillie Gifford	1,808	2,183	11	11/04/16
LCIV NW Global Equity	Global Equity	Newton	531	575	3	22/05/17
LCIV LV Global Equity	Global Equity	Longview Partners	425	516	3	17/07/17
LCIV EP Income Equity	Global Equity	Epoch Investment Partners	212	225	2	08/11/17
LCIV HN Emerging Market Equity	Global Equity	Henderson Global Investors	76	105	2	11/01/18
LCIV RBC Sustainable Equity Fund	Global Equity	RBC Global Asset Management (UK)	-	269	2	18/04/18
LCIV PY Total Return	Diversified growth fund	Pyrford	274	312	5	17/06/16
LCIV Diversified Growth	Diversified growth fund	Baillie Gifford	480	507	7	15/02/16
LCIV RF Absolute Return	Diversified growth fund	Ruffer	826	902	10	21/06/16
LCIV NW Real Return	Diversified growth fund	Newton	331	338	3	16/12/16
LCIV MAC Fund	Multi Asset Credit	CQS	-	343	4	31/5/18
Total			6,175	6,937		

Over the quarter, the Global Equity Alpha sub fund (managed by Allianz Global Investors) lost two London Boroughs from their client list. Whereas the Global Alpha Growth sub fund (managed by Baillie Gifford) added two new London Boroughs to their client list and each of the HN Emerging Market Equity (managed by Henderson Global Investors), PY Total Return (managed by Pyrford) and Diversified Growth (managed by Baillie Gifford) sub funds each added another London Borough to their client list.

# 5 Baillie Gifford - Global Equity

Baillie Gifford was appointed to manage an active Global Equity mandate from 18 March 2014. The manager is remunerated on an asset based fee, reflecting the total value of assets invested in the strategy across the Triborough. The target is to outperform the benchmark of 2% p.a.

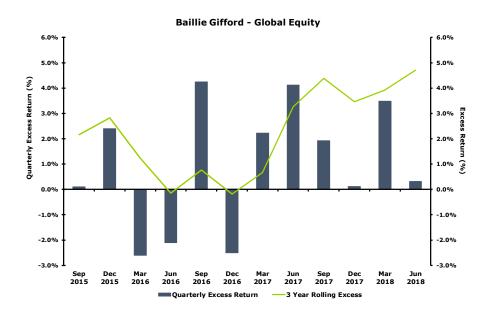
5.1 Global equity – Investment performance to 30 June 2018

	Last Quarter (%)	Last Year (%)	Last 3 Years (% p.a.)	Since Inception (% p.a.)
Baillie Gifford – Gross of fees	7.2	15.9	19.7	16.7
Net of fees	7.1	15.5	19.4	16.3
MSCI AC World Index	6.8	8.9	14.7	13.2
Relative (net of fees)	0.3	6.6	4.7	3.1

Source: Northern Trust and estimated by Deloitte. See appendix 1 for more detail on manager fees Inception date taken as 18 March 2014

The Baillie Gifford Global Equity Alpha Fund has outperformed its benchmark by 0.3% and 6.6% net of fees over the quarter and one year to 30 June 2018 respectively.

The graph below shows the net quarterly returns and the rolling three year excess returns relative to the benchmark. The Fund's current three year excess return is ahead of the target (+2% p.a.) having outperformed the benchmark by 4.0% p.a.



### **5.2** Performance Analysis

The top 10 holdings in the portfolio account for c. 27.9% of the Fund and are detailed below.

Top 10 holdings as at 30 June 2018	Proportion of Baillie Gifford Fund
Amazon	4.9%
Naspers	3.6%
Prudential	2.9%
Anthem	2.5%
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing	2.5%
Apache	2.5%
Alibaba	2.4%
Moody's	2.4%
AIA	2.1%
SAP	2.1%
Total	27.9%

Note: The numbers in this table may not sum due to rounding.

Source: London CIV.

The tables below shows the top 5 and bottom 5 contributors to performance over the quarter to 30 June 2018.

Top 5 contributors as at 30 June 2018	Contribution (%)
Amazon	+1.06
Apache	+0.56
Abiomed	+0.42
SAP	+0.40
Naspers	+0.38

The Fund's holdings in Amazon again contributed over the quarter, supported by strong fundamental progress. Apache, one of the portfolio's two energy holdings was among the top contributors to relative return during the quarter, with its recent share price weakness following a large acquisition in 2016 rebounding as a reflection of a strong execution year to date.

Naspers provided a large contribution to performance over the quarter to 30 June 2018, after being the largest detractor to performance over the previous quarter.

Top 5 detractors as at 30 June 2018	Contribution
Banco Bradesco	-0.33
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing	-0.27
Philips Lighting	-0.24
Brasil Bolsa Balcao	-0.20
LendingTree	-0.18

# 6 LGIM – Global Equity (Passive)

Legal and General Investment Manager ("LGIM") was appointed to manage a global equity portfolio with the objective of replicating the performance of the FTSE All World Index benchmark. The manager is remunerated on a tiered fixed fee based on the value of assets.

6.1 Passive Global Equity – Investment Performance to 30 June 2018

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	Last Quarter (%)	Last Year (%)	Last 3 Years (% p.a.)	Since Inception (% p.a.)
LGIM - Gross of fees	2.8	9.7	8.6	12.1
Net of fees <sup>1</sup>	2.8	9.7	8.5	12.1
FTSE World (GBP Hedged) Index	2.8	9.7	8.5	12.1
Relative (net of fees)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Source: Northern Trust
(1) Estimated by Deloitte

See appendix 1 for more detail on manager fees

Inception date taken as 1 November 2012 (prior to that the mandate was an active equity mandate). The portfolio aims to track the benchmark.

The investment objective of the Fund is to track the performance of the FTSE AW-World Index (less withholding tax if applicable) - GBP Hedged (with the exception of advanced emerging markets) to within +/-0.5% p.a. for two years out of three.

The LGIM Fund successfully tracked its benchmark over the quarter to 30 June 2018. The Fund also performed in line with its benchmark over the one year and three year periods respectively.

# 7 Majedie – UK Equity

Majedie was appointed to manage an active UK equity mandate. The manager's remuneration is a combination of a fixed fee based on the value of assets and a performance related fee which is payable when the excess return of the portfolio over a rolling 3 year period is more than 1% p.a. The target is to outperform the benchmark by 2% p.a.

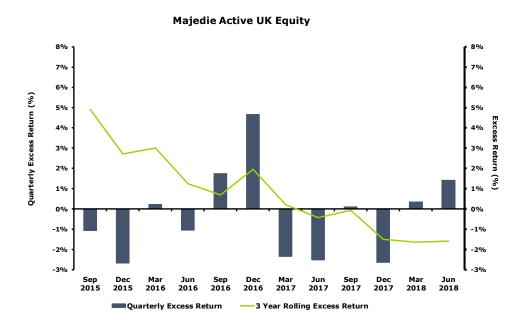
7.1 Active UK Equity – Investment Performance to 30 June 2018

	Last Quarter (%)	Last Year (%)	Last 3 Years (% p.a.)	Since Inception (% p.a.)
Majedie - Gross of fees	10.8	8.8	8.6	13.1
Net of fees <sup>1</sup>	10.6	8.2	8.0	12.5
MSCI AC World Index	9.2	9.0	9.6	11.0
Relative (on a net basis)	1.4	-0.8	-1.6	1.5

Source: Northern Trust
(1) Estimated by Deloitte

See appendix 1 for more detail on manager fees

Inception date taken as 31 May 2006



Over the quarter to 30 June 2018, Majedie outperformed its benchmark by 1.4% but underperformed its benchmark over one year and three years by 0.8% and 1.6% p.a. respectively on a net of fees basis.

### 7.2 Performance Analysis

The top 10 holdings in the portfolio account for c. 50.6% of the Fund and are detailed below.

Top 10 holdings as at 30 June 2018	Proportion of Majedie Fund
Majedie Asset Management Special	9.1%
Royal Dutch Shell	8.1%
ВР	7.9%
Tesco	5.6%
GlaxoSmithKline	4.2%
HSBC	4.1%
WM Morrison	3.4%
Centrica	2.9%
Vodafone	2.7%
Orange	2.7%
Total	50.6%

Note: The numbers in this table may not sum due to rounding.

Source: London CIV.

The tables below shows the top 5 and bottom 5 contributors to performance over the quarter to 30 June 2018.

Top 5 contributors as at 30 June 2018	Contribution
ВР	+1.53
Royal Dutch Shell	+1.50
Tesco	+1.22
WM Morrison	+0.66
Sainsbury	+0.52

Top 5 detractors as at 30 June 2018	Contribution
Telecom Italia	-0.16
Barclays	-0.14
ВТ	-0.09
Lonmin	-0.04
William Hill	-0.03

The Fund's holdings in Telecom Italia, Barclays plc and BT Group provided the biggest detractions to performance over the quarter to 30 June 2018.

# 8 Longview – Global Equity

Longview was appointed on 15 January 2015 to manage an active global equity mandate. The manager's remuneration is based on the value of assets invested across the Tri-borough. The expectation is that the fund will outperform the benchmark by 3% p.a.

8.1 Active Global Equity – Investment Performance to 30 June 2018

	Last Quarter (%)	Last Year (%)	Last 3 Years (% p.a.)	Since Inception (% p.a.)
Longview - Gross of fees	8.8	8.8	15.2	14.9
Net of fees <sup>1</sup>	8.7	8.2	14.6	14.2
MSCI World Index	8.1	9.3	15.0	13.1
Relative (on a net basis)	0.6	-1.1	-0.4	1.1

Source: Northern Trust
(1) Estimated by Deloitte

See appendix 1 for more detail on manager fees

Inception date 15 January 2015

Longview outperformed its benchmark by 0.6% over the quarter to 30 June 2018 while underperforming it by 1.1% and 0.4% p.a. on a net of fees basis over the year and three year periods respectively. The Fund targets an outperformance of 3% p.a. over a three year period. The chart below shows the quarter and rolling three year returns.



### 8.2 Performance Analysis

The tables below represent the top 5 and bottom 5 contributors to performance over the quarter to 31 March 2018

Top 5 contributors as at 30 June 2018	Contribution
UnitedHealth	+0.39
Compass	+0.30
Fidelity Natl Info Services	+0.26
ServiceMaster	+0.25
WW Grainger	+0.25

The Fund's holdings in UnitedHealth, Compass and WW Grainger were amongst the largest contributors to performance over the second quarter of 2018. UnitedHealth, a healthcare insurance company, benefited from continued strong execution in its core businesses and reported robust first quarter results in April which exceeded expectations and also increased its earnings guidance for the full year.

Top 5 detractors as at 30 June 2018	Contribution
Continental	-0.52
Parker Hannifin	-0.34
State Street	-0.32
Oracle	-0.25
AON	-0.20

## 9 Insight – Buy and Maintain

Insight was appointed to manage a buy and maintain credit portfolio. The manager's fee is based on the value of assets.

### 9.1 Buy and Maintain Fund - Investment Performance to 30 June 2018

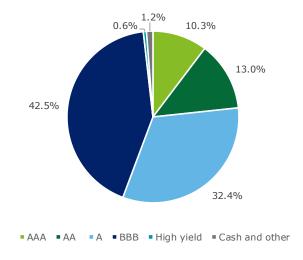
At the beginning of the quarter the restructuring process of the Insight mandate was completed on and transitioned to the Buy and Maintain fund on 12 April. Due to the lack of a full performance period, Insight have been unable to provide the usual performance data.

### 9.2 Performance Analysis

The table below summarises the Buy and Maintain portfolio's key characteristics as at 30 June 2018.

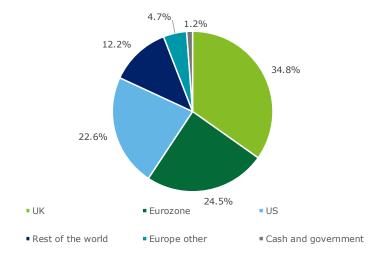
	30 Jun 2018
No. of issuers	165
Modified duration (years)	8.3
Spread duration (years)	8.4
Government spread (bps)	140
Spread over swaps (bps)	128
Largest issuer (%)	1.3
10 largest issuers (%)	11.0

The graph below shows the split of the Buy and Maintain portfolio by credit rating.



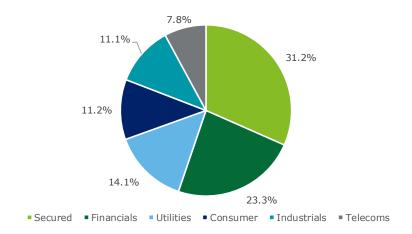
The Fund's investment grade holdings made up c. 98.2% of the portfolio as at 30 June 2018.

The graph below shows the split of the Buy and Maintain portfolio by country.



As at 30 June 2018, the Fund's UK and Eurozone holdings made up c. 59.3% of the portfolio.

The graph below shows the split of the Buy and Maintain portfolio by sector as at 30 June 2018.



The table below shows the top 10 issuers by market value as at 30 June 2018.

Issuer name	Rating*	Holding (%)
Volkswagen	BBB+	1.26
Bromford Housing	A+	1.05
Morgan Stanley	BBB+	1
Equity Release Fund No 3	Α	1
Abp Finance	-	0.99
Stadshypotek	-	0.93
Bpce Sa	BBB	0.92
Notting Hill House Trust	Α	0.92
Bank Of Nova Scotia	-	0.87
London and Quadrant Housing	Α	0.86

<sup>\*</sup>Ratings provided by S&P.

## 10 Hermes - Property

Hermes was appointed to manage a core UK property portfolio. The manager is remunerated on a fixed fee based on the value of assets. The target is to outperform the benchmark by 0.5% p.a.

10.1 Property – Investment Performance to 30 June 2018

	Last Quarter (%)	Last Year (%)	Last 3 Years (% p.a.)	Since Inception (% p.a.)
Hermes - Gross of fees	2.3	10.9	9.6	10.3
Net of fees <sup>1</sup>	2.2	10.5	9.2	9.9
Benchmark	2.3	10.3	8.6	8.9
Relative (on a net basis)	-0.1	0.2	0.6	1.0

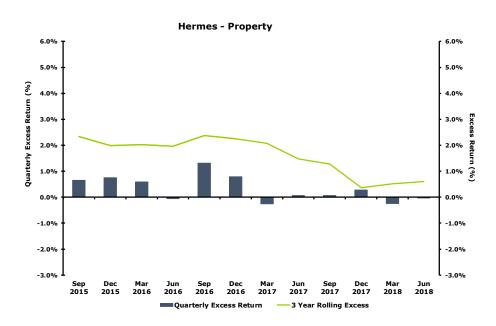
Source: Hermes

(1) Estimated by Deloitte

See appendix 1 for more detail on manager fees Inception date is taken as 26 October 2010

Hermes underperformed the benchmark by 0.1% over the quarter on a net of fees basis, returning 2.2% in absolute terms. The strategy outperformed its benchmark by 0.2% and 0.6% p.a. (net of fees) respectively over the year and three years to 30 June 2018. The Fund has outperformed its benchmark by 1.0% p.a. since inception, and hence is ahead of the target (to outperform the benchmark by 0.5% p.a.) over the period since inception to 30 June 2018.

Key contributors to the performance over the quarter came from properties in the Industrial sector, with the "Other" sector also contributing positively to performance. The main detractors were the Trust's holdings in Retail Warehouses and West End Offices.



### 10.2 Sales and Purchases

In May 2018, the Trust completed the acquisition of a multi-let office building in Hurley, Maidenhead for c. £28.0m (£339 per sq. ft). The property, providing a total of 82,656 sq. ft, is fully let to 5 tenants across 6 leases producing a total rental income of £1,786.018 p.a., reflecting an average passing rent of £21.60 per sq. ft.

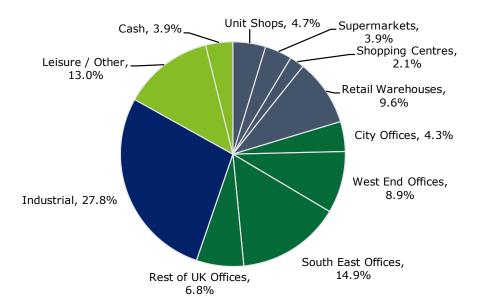
In April 2018, for the purposes of site assembly, the Trust purchased a Croydon freehold retail premises with basement and upper floor accommodation for c. £7.65m. This purchase completes a terrace of seven properties that have a significant redevelopment potential, subject to planning.

In May 2018, the Trust secured a number of important lettings in three vacant units of the Erdington Industrial Estate in Birmingham, covering a total area of 72,000 sq. ft. A lease agreement was exchanged with FGF Ltd for 2 units on a 10 year term until July 2028, passing rent on the 57,000 sq. ft units at £326,000 p.a. after tenant incentives. Another unit letting was completed with Zeus Juice Ltd for a 5 year term to May 2023, generating rental income to the Trust of £84,000 p.a. after tenant incentives.

Also, in May 2018, planning permission was granted for a change of use of the Broken Wharf House office building to serviced apartments. The Trust had previously agreed a lease with SACO which was subject to achieving planning permission for the change of use. Under the terms of the lease, the tenant would be responsible for undertaking the physical works of conversion, funded by the Trust at an estimated cost of c. £17m to create a fully fitted serviced apartment scheme of 113 units. Once completed, the lease to SACO will provide a base rent of c. £2m p.a. to the Trust, subject to RPI increases, together with a turnover rent of c. 42.5% EBITDA.

### 10.3 Portfolio Summary as at 30 June 2018

The Hermes Property Unit Trust invests across retail, offices, industrials and other sectors, with the split as at 30 June 2018 shown below.



The table below shows the top 10 directly held assets in the Fund as at 30 June 2018, representing c.31.9% of the Fund.

Asset	Sub-sector	Value (£m)
Maybird Shopping Park, Stratford-upon-Avon	Retail Warehouses	101.5
8/10 Great George Street, London SW1	Offices	65.3
Polar Park, Bath Road, Heathrow	Industrial	54.1
Horndon Industrial Park, West Horndon, CM13	Industrials	45.3
27 Soho Square, London W1	Offices	45.0
Sainsbury's, Maxwell Road, Beaconsfield	Supermarkets	41.2
Hythe House, Hammersmith	Offices	40.8
Charlton Gate, London	Industrials	40.0
Camden Works, Oval Road, London NW1	Offices	39.7
Round Foundry & Marshalls Mill, Water Lane, Holbeck Urban Village, Leeds, LS11	Offices	38.1
Total		511.0

# 11 Aberdeen Standard Investments – Long Lease Property

Aberdeen Standard Investments was appointed to manage a long lease property mandate with the aim of outperforming the FT British Government All Stocks Index benchmark by 2.0% p.a. The manager has an annual management fee.

11.1 Long Lease Property – Investment Performance to 30 June 2018

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	Last Quarter (%)	Last Year (%)	Last 3 Years (% p.a.)	Since Inception (% p.a.)
Aberdeen Standard - Gross of fees	2.0	9.6	8.1	9.1
Net of fees <sup>1</sup>	1.9	9.1	7.6	8.6
Benchmark	0.7	3.9	6.7	6.6
Relative (on a net basis)	1.3	5.2	0.9	2.0

Source: Aberdeen Standard Investments

(1) Estimated by Deloitte

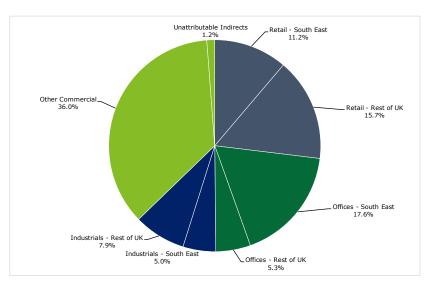
See appendix 1 for more detail on manager fees

Since inception: 14 June 2013

The ASI Long Lease Property Fund returned 1.9% net of fees over the quarter to 30 June 2018, outperforming the benchmark of the FTSE Gilt All Stocks Index + 2% by 1.2% net of fees.

### 11.2 Portfolio Holdings

The sector allocation in the Long Lease Property Fund as at 30 June 2018 is shown in the graph below.



The Fund's holdings in the office sector has decreased slightly from 24.1% as at 31 March 2018 to 22.9% as at 30 June 2018.

Throughout the quarter, the Fund's industrial weight decreased from 13.4% to 12.9%, while the "other" weighting has increased from 34.3% to 37.2%.

The table below shows details of the top ten tenants in the Fund measured by percentage of net rental income:

Tenant	Total Rent £m p.a.	% Net Income
Tesco	8.2	8.8
Whitbread	6.4	6.9
Marston's	5.0	5.3
Sainsbury's	4.9	5.3
Asda	4.4	4.7
QVC	4.0	4.3
Salford University	3.9	4.2
Save The Children	3.8	4.0
Poundland	3.6	3.8
Glasgow City Council	3.5	3.7
Total	47.8	51.0 *

<sup>\*</sup>Total may not equal sum of values due to rounding

The top 10 tenants contribute 51.0% of the total net income into the Fund. Supermarkets continue to make up a significant part of the fund with Tesco, Sainsbury's and Asda contributing 18.8% to the Fund's total net rental income as at 30 June 2018.

The Fund's average unexpired lease term decreased over the quarter from 26.7 years to 26.5 years.

The proportion of the Fund's income with fixed, CPI or RPI rental increases increased from 93.5% to 93.7% over the quarter.

### 11.3 Sales and Purchases

Over the second quarter of 2018:

- The Fund purchased the Legoland Hotel in Windsor for £36m, representing a yield of 3.4%. The hotel is let on a 29 year lease to Merlin which own Legoland. ASI was attracted by the strong occupancy levels.
- The Fund also entered into a forward purchase agreement for an industrial asset in Dartford for £21.5m representing a yield of 3.9%. The development is due for completion by the end of 2018 and a let has already been agreed on a 25 year lease with 5 yearly rent reviews linked to RPI.

# Appendix 1 – Fund and Manager Benchmarks

The tables in this Appendix detail the benchmarks and outperformance targets, for the Total Fund and each individual manager.

#### **Total Fund**

Inception: 1 June 2006. Current benchmark allocation effective from 25 March 2015.

Manager	Asset Class	Long Term Strategic Benchmark Allocation	Benchmark	Outperforma nce Target	Inception Date	Fees (p.a.)	Tracking Error p.a.
Majedie	UK Equity	20.0	FTSE All- Share Index	+2.0 p.a. (net of fess)	31/05/06	c.35bps base fees +20 performance fee on 1 outperforman ce over 3 year rolling	2.0-6.0
LGIM	Global Equity	20.0	FTSE World GBP Hedged	Passive	01/11/12	13bps base fees	+/- 0.5
Baillie Gifford	Global Equity	25.0	MSCI AC World Index	+2.0 p.a. (net of fess)	18/03/14	36bps base fee	
Longview	Global Equity		MSCI World (GBP) Index	To outperform the benchmark over a market cycle	15/01/15	75bps base fees minus a rebate dependent on fund size	
Insight	Buy and Maintain	20.0	Insight Custom Benchmark	Passive	12/04/18	9.5bps base fees	
Hermes		5.0	IPD UK PPFI Balanced PUT Index	+0.5 p.a. (net of fess)	26/10/10	40bps base fee	
Aberdeen Standard Investments	Property	5.0	FTSE Gilts All Stocks Index +2% p.a.	+0.5 p.a. (net of fess)	14/06/13	50bps on first £25m, 40bps on next £25m, 30bps thereafter	
To be determined	Property / Infrastructure	5.0					
	Total	100.0					

For the purposes of our performance calculations we have assumed the 5% awaiting allocation to property / infrastructure is split evenly between Majedie and LGIM.

# Appendix 2 – Manager Ratings

Based on our manager research process, we assign ratings to the investment managers for specific products or services. The ratings are based on a combination of quantitative and qualitative factors, where the inputs for the qualitative factors come from a series of focused meetings with the investment managers. The ratings reflect our expectations of the future performance of the particular product or service, based on an assessment of:

- The manager's business management;
- The sources of ideas that go to form the portfolio ("alpha generation");
- The process for including the ideas into the portfolio ("alpha harnessing"); and
- How the performance is delivered to the clients.

On the basis of the research and analysis, managers are rated from 1 (most positive) to 4 (most negative), where managers rated 1 are considered most likely to deliver outperformance, net of fees, on a reasonably consistent basis. Managers rated 1 will typically form the basis of any manager selection short-lists.

Where there are developments with an investment manager that cause an element of uncertainty we will make the rating provisional for a short period of time, while we carry out further assessment of the situation.

# Appendix 3 – Risk warnings & Disclosures

- Past performance is not necessarily a guide to the future.
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# City of Westminster Pension Fund

Funding update report as at 30 June 2018

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### Introduction

Westminster City Council, as administering authority for the City of Westminster Pension Fund (the Fund) has asked that we carry out a quarterly monitoring assessment of the Fund as at 30 June 2018. The purpose of this assessment is to provide an update on the funding position.

The Fund participates in the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS). The LGPS is a defined benefit statutory scheme administered in accordance with Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 2013 (the Regulations).

The information in this report is addressed to and is provided for use by Westminster City Council as the administering authority to the Fund. This report may be shared with other interested parties but it does not constitute advice to them.

This report complies with Technical Actuarial Standard 100: Principles for Technical Actuarial Work (TAS 100) and Technical Actuarial Standard 300: Pensions (TAS 300) as issued by the Financial Reporting Council (FRC).

We assess the funding position on a smoothed basis which is an estimate of the average position over a six month period spanning the reporting date. As the smoothing adjustment reflects average market conditions spanning a six month period straddling the reporting date, the smoothed figures are projected numbers and likely to change up until three months after the reporting date. The smoothed results are indicative of the underlying trend.

### **Assets**

The estimated (unsmoothed) asset allocation of the City of Westminster Pension Fund as at 30 June 2018, based on data received from Westminster City Council, is as follows:

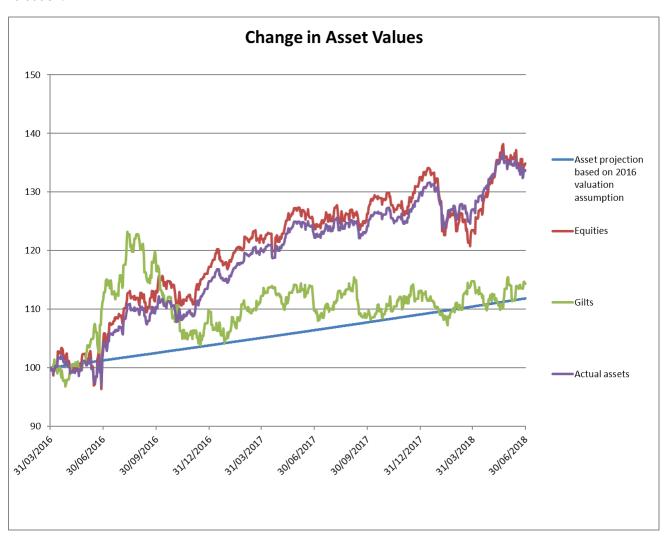
Assets (market value)	30 Jun	30 Jun 2018		31 Mar 2018		31 Mar 2016	
	£000s	%	£000s	%	£000s	%	
UK and overseas equities	1,078,312	76.7%	1,008,867	75.5%	790,289	74.1%	
Bonds	191,192	13.6%	183,879	13.8%	130,390	12.2%	
Property	123,582	8.8%	120,667	9.0%	105,811	9.9%	
Gilts	0	-	0	-	26,733	2.5%	
Cash and accruals	12,882	0.9%	22,564	1.7%	13,120	1.2%	
Total assets	1,405,968	100%	1,335,977	100%	1,066,343	100%	

The investment return achieved by the Fund's assets in market value terms for the quarter to 30 June 2018 is estimated to be 5.2%. The return achieved since the previous valuation is estimated to be 33.7% (which is equivalent to 13.8% p.a).

A new contribution schedule was drafted on 30 May 2018 which includes the payment of a single lump sum in 2018/19 of £53m. For the purpose of this report it was assumed that as at 30 June 2018 these additional payments had not been made yet.



The following chart shows the changes in equity and bond markets since the previous actuarial valuation and compares them with the estimated actual fund returns and the expected fund returns assumed at the previous valuation:



As we can see the asset value as at 30 June 2018 in market value terms is more than where it was projected to be at the previous valuation.

# Changes in market conditions – market yields and discount rates

The actual investment returns earned by the Fund will affect the value of the Fund's assets. The value of the Fund's liabilities, however, is dependent on the assumptions used to value the future benefits payable.

For the purpose of this exercise it is appropriate to use the method and assumptions consistent with those set by the Fund actuary for the purpose of the 31 March 2016 actuarial valuation, updated where necessary to reflect



market conditions. Further details of the derivation of the financial and demographic assumptions can be found in the relevant actuarial valuation report.

Please note that from 15 May 2017 to 3 July 2017 the Bank of England (BoE) temporarily suspended the publication of their implied inflation curve (on which our RPI increase assumption, and so our CPI increase assumption, is based) while they carried out a review of their methodology. The BoE resumed publication of the implied inflation curve from 3 July 2017, however, they have also revised previous publications dating back to 1 January 2017. Our assumptions below take into account the new methodology from 1 January 2017.

The following table show how these assumptions have changed since the last triennial valuation:

Assumptions (smoothed)	30 Jun	30 Jun 2018 31 Mar 2018		31 Mar 2016			
	Nominal	Real	Nominal	Real	Nominal	Real	
	% p	% p.a.		% p.a.		% p.a.	
Pension increases (CPI)	2.61%	-	2.66%	-	2.39%	-	
Salary increases	4.11%	1.50%	4.16%	1.50%	3.89%	1.50%	
Main discount rate	5.05%	2.44%	5.12%	2.46%	5.10%	2.71%	

In addition to that, it is assumed that salaries increase in line with CPI until 31 March 2020. The discount rate assumption is set with reference to the Fund's long term investment strategy and therefore reflects the long term expected return on assets for the Fund. Consistent with the method adopted for the 31 March 2016 valuation, we have included in the discount rate assumption an explicit prudence allowance of 1.1%.

The key assumption which has the greatest impact on the valuation of liabilities is the real discount rate (the discount rate relative to CPI inflation) – the higher the real discount rate the lower the value of liabilities. As we see the real discount rate is lower than at the 31 March 2016 valuation, increasing the value of liabilities used for funding purposes.

### **Results**

The funding position for each month has been rolled forward from the formal valuation and is shown in Appendix 1. It should be borne in mind that the nature of the calculations is approximate and so the results are only indicative of the underlying position.

The results of our assessment indicate that:

- The current projection of the smoothed funding level as at 30 June 2018 is 92.8% and the average required employer contribution would be 23.6% of payroll assuming the deficit is to be paid by 2038.
- This compares with the reported (smoothed) funding level of 80.0% and average required employer contribution of 29.1% of payroll at the 31 March 2016 funding valuation.

The main discount rate underlying the smoothed funding level as at 30 June 2018 is 5.1% p.a. The investment return required to restore the funding level to 100% by 2038, without the employers paying deficit contributions, would be 5.4% p.a.

Whilst the funding level has improved and the deficit has reduced, the cost of benefits has increased due to higher assumed pension increases, however the total rate has decreased as a result of lower deficit contributions.



### **Westminster City Council**

We have also estimated the funding position of Westminster City Council. The development since 31 December 2017 can be found in the table below.

Smoothed	Assets £s	Liabilities £s	Surplus / Deficit £s	Funding level %	CARE ongoing cost (% of payroll)
31 Dec 2017	842,147,180	1,043,060,768	(200,913,588)	81%	17.3%
31 Mar 2018	858,829,880	1,044,849,714	(186,019,834)	82%	17.1%
30 Jun 2018	873,010,977	1,055,543,983	(182,533,006)	83%	17.2%

### **Final comments**

There are many factors that affect the Fund's funding position and could lead to the Fund's funding objectives not being met within the timescales expected. Some of the key risks that could have a material impact on the Fund include longevity risk and financial risks (including inflation and investment risk). There is more detail on this contained within the Fund's Funding Strategy Statement and the 31 March 2016 actuarial valuation report.

Note that the funding position at a future date will be dependent on the investment performance of the Fund as well as future market conditions which determine the financial assumptions.

We would be pleased to answer any questions arising from this report.

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### Appendix 1 Financial position since previous valuation

Below we show the financial position on a smoothed basis for each month since the previous full valuation. As the smoothing adjustment reflects average market conditions spanning a six month period straddling the reporting date, the smoothed figures for the previous three months are projected numbers and likely to change up until three months after the reporting date.

Please note that the results shown below are sensitive to the underlying assumptions. For example, increasing the discount rate assumption by 0.5% will increase the funding level by about 9%, and increasing the CPI inflation assumption by 0.5% will reduce the funding level by about 8%.

Valuation date	Assets £000s	Liabilities £000s	Surplus / Deficit £000s	Funding level %	CARE ongoing cost (% of payroll)	Past service ctbn	Total ctbn (% of payroll)	Main discount rate	Return required restore funding level (p.a
31 Mar 2016	1,056,747	1,320,797	(264,050)	80%	16.9%	12.2%	29.1%	5.1%	6.1%
30 Apr 2016	1,069,289	1,336,329	(267,040)	80%	17.2%	12.6%	29.8%	5.0%	6.0%
31 May 2016	1,088,792	1,362,238	(273,446)	80%	17.8%	12.8%	30.6%	4.9%	5.9%
30 Jun 2016	1,103,684	1,384,191	(280,507)	80%	18.2%	13.0%	31.2%	4.8%	5.9%
31 Jul 2016	1,121,960	1,404,739	(282,779)	80%	18.6%	13.1%	31.7%	4.8%	5.8%
31 Aug 2016	1,133,402	1,421,201	(287,799)	80%	18.9%	13.3%	32.2%	4.8%	5.9%
30 Sep 2016	1,150,014	1,437,793	(287,779)	80%	19.3%	13.3%	32.6%	4.9%	5.9%
31 Oct 2016	1,172,816	1,449,639	(276,823)	81%	19.5%	12.7%	32.2%	4.9%	5.9%
30 Nov 2016	1,185,339	1,456,544	(271,205)	81%	19.5%	12.5%	32.0%	5.0%	6.0%
31 Dec 2016	1,206,192	1,462,515	(256,323)	82%	19.6%	11.8%	31.4%	5.1%	6.0%
31 Jan 2017	1,217,761	1,466,703	(248,942)	83%	19.5%	11.5%	31.0%	5.1%	6.0%
28 Feb 2017	1,237,696	1,476,212	(238,516)	84%	19.7%	11.1%	30.8%	5.1%	5.9%
31 Mar 2017	1,261,355	1,485,068	(223,713)	85%	19.8%	10.4%	30.2%	5.0%	5.8%
30 Apr 2017	1,272,195	1,484,924	(212,729)	86%	19.7%	9.6%	29.3%	5.0%	5.8%
31 May 2017	1,291,739	1,484,738	(192,999)	87%	19.6%	8.7%	28.3%	5.0%	5.7%
30 Jun 2017	1,297,593	1,481,802	(184, 209)	88%	19.4%	8.4%	27.8%	5.0%	5.7%
31 Jul 2017	1,305,713	1,480,613	(174,900)	88%	19.2%	8.0%	27.2%	5.0%	5.7%
31 Aug 2017	1,309,876	1,477,979	(168, 103)	89%	19.1%	7.7%	26.8%	5.1%	5.7%
30 Sep 2017	1,313,109	1,477,681	(164,572)	89%	19.0%	7.6%	26.6%	5.1%	5.7%
31 Oct 2017	1,328,003	1,482,309	(154,306)	90%	19.0%	7.1%	26.1%	5.1%	5.6%
30 Nov 2017	1,325,817	1,479,561	(153,744)	90%	18.8%	7.2%	26.0%	5.1%	5.7%
31 Dec 2017	1,330,352	1,476,578	(146,226)	90%	18.6%	6.8%	25.4%	5.1%	5.7%
31 Jan 2018	1,341,968	1,475,210	(133,242)	91%	18.5%	6.3%	24.8%	5.1%	5.6%
28 Feb 2018	1,358,573	1,478,129	(119,556)	92%	18.5%	5.6%	24.1%	5.1%	5.6%
31 Mar 2018	1,379,889	1,481,363	(101,474)	93%	18.5%	4.8%	23.3%	5.1%	5.5%
30 Apr 2018	1,383,869	1,481,851	(97,982)	93%	18.4%	4.6%	23.0%	5.1%	5.4%
31 May 2018	1,387,099	1,488,332	(101,233)	93%	18.4%	4.8%	23.2%	5.1%	5.4%
30 Jun 2018	1,392,042	1,499,521	(107,479)	93%	18.5%	5.1%	23.6%	5.0%	5.4%



### Appendix 2 Data, method and assumptions

### **Data**

In completing our calculations for pension accounting purposes we have used the following items of data, which we received from Westminster City Council:

- The results of the valuation as at 31 March 2016 which was carried out for funding purposes;
- Estimated whole Fund income and expenditure items for the period to 30 June 2018; and
- Estimated Fund returns based on Fund asset statements provided to 30 June 2018, and Fund income and expenditure as noted above.

The data has been checked for reasonableness and we are happy that the data is sufficient for the purpose of this report.

Full details of the benefits being valued are as set out in the Regulations as amended and summarised on the LGPS <u>website</u> and the Fund's membership booklet. We have made no allowance for discretionary benefits.

### Method

To assess the value of the Fund's liabilities as at 30 June 2018, we have rolled forward the value of the liabilities calculated for the funding valuation as at 31 March 2016 using the financial assumptions below and estimated cashflows paid to and from the Fund.

It is not possible to assess the accuracy of the estimated value of the liabilities as at 30 June 2018 without completing a full valuation. However, we are satisifed that the approach of rolling forward the previous valuation data to 30 June 2018 should not introduce any material assumptions in the results provided that the actual experience of the Fund is broadly in line with the underlying assumptions and that the structure of the liabilities is substantially the same as at the latest formal valuation. From the information we have received there appears to be no evidence that this approach is inappropriate.

We have been provided with the Fund assets at various dates but for dates that these are not available, we calculate the Fund assets by rolling forward the previous assets provided allowing for investment returns (estimated where necessary), and estimated cashflows paid to and from the Fund. The latest date that we have been provided with the Fund assets is 30 June 2018.

### **Assumptions**

For the purpose of this exercise it is appropriate to use the method and assumptions consistent with those set by the Fund actuary for the purpose of the 31 March 2016 actuarial valuation, updated where necessary to reflect market conditions.

A summary of the main financial assumptions adopted is set out in the main body of this report.



### The main demographic assumptions are:

- The post retirement mortality tables adopted are the S2PA tables with a multiplier of 80% for males and 85% for females. These base tables are then projected using the CMI 2015 Model, allowing for a long term rate of improvement of 1.5% p.a;
- The dependant post retirement mortality tables adopted are the S2PMA tables with a multiplier of 95% for males and the S2DFA tables with a multiplier of 100% for females. These base tables are then projected using the CMI 2015 Model, allowing for a long term rate of improvement of 1.5% p.a;
- Members retire at a single age, based on the average age at which they can take each tranche of their pension; and
- It is assumed that members will exchange 50% of their commutable pension for cash at retirement.

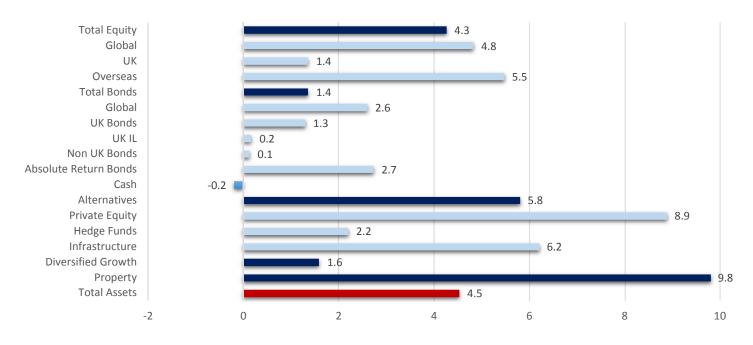
Further details of the derivation of the financial and demographic assumptions can be found in the relevant actuarial valuation report.



### Westminster Pension Fund - Performance Summary For Periods to End March 2018

### **Universe Overview - Latest Year**

#### **Latest Year Performance**



- Despite a relatively difficult environment for investors the average local authority fund produced a return of 4.5% for the year
- This was below the long term average but the return was ahead of inflation and broadly in line with actuarial assumptions.
- Asset returns were tightly grouped with bonds, equities and alternatives returning 1%, 4%, and 6% respectively for the year.
- Most funds outperformed their benchmarks by a small margin.

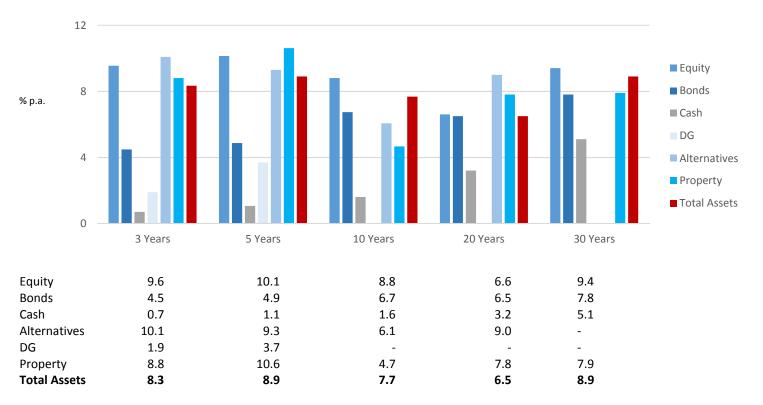
#### **Asset Allocation**

- Funds saw the largest reduction in equity exposure since the LGPS began as funds continued the move to less 'risky' assets.
- There was also a focus on income generating assets as many funds are now faced with the possibility of negative cash flow.

	End March				
% Allocation	2017	2018	Change		
Equities	62	55	-7		
UK	20	15	-5		
Overseas	42	40	-2		
Bonds	15	18	3		
UK	8	8	-		
Global	3	4	1		
Overseas	1	1	-		
Absolute Return	3	5	2		
Cash	2	3	1		
Alternatives	10	11	1		
Private Equity	5	5	-		
Infrastructure	2	3	1		
Hedge Funds	3	3	-		
Diversified Growth (DG)	3	4	1		
Property	8	9	1		

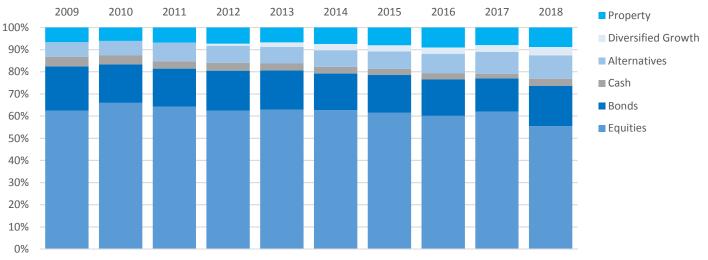
### **Universe Longer Term Results**

- Long term performance of the LGPS has been excellent. The average funds delivered a positive return in 25 of the last 30 years and delivered an annualised performance of 9% p.a.
- Equities have driven the strong long term performance.
- Alternatives have performed strongly due in a large part to the good returns from private equity.
- Bonds have performed well over the longer term assisted by 'quantitative easing' and strong demand from pension funds.



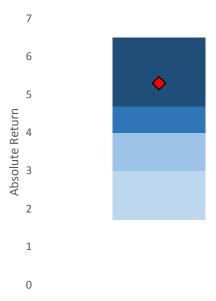
### **Asset Allocation**

- Equities remain the largest allocation within most fund's assets. Three quarters of this allocation is now invested overseas.
- Alternatives have increased markedly over the decade. Private equity makes up a half of this allocation with infrastrcture increasing in recent years and expected to increase further.
- Within the bond allocation, there has been a marked move from index based towards absolute return mandates.



### **Fund Performance - Latest Year**

- The Fund return of 5.3% was well ahead of the Universe average and ranked in the 13th percentile.
- Excellent equty selection was the key driver of this year's strong result.



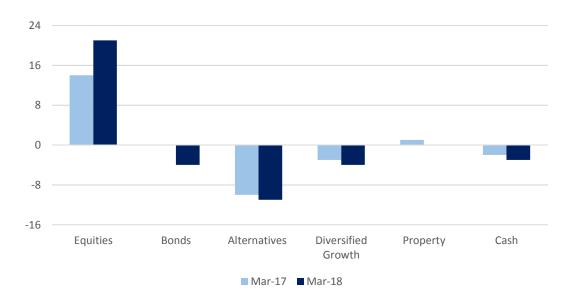
The figure shows the Fund return within the range of results achieved by the LGPS Universe in the latest year. The returns are divided into quarters (quartiles) and the fund is shown as a red diamond.



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### **Fund Asset Allocation**

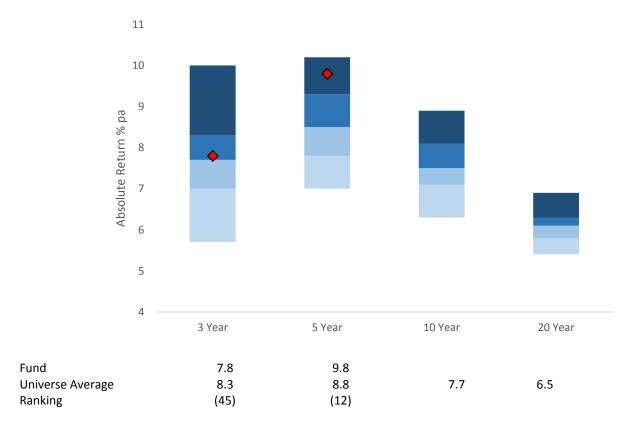
- The Fund has a large overweighting in equities, which increased over the year as other funds reduced their exposure.
- As a result, the Fund is underweight relative to others in the other asset classes.
- In the latest year this allocation had a broadly neutral effect on the relative performance.



The chart shows the Fund's relative % weightings at asset class level at 31st March 2017 and 2018.

### **Fund Longer Term Returns**

- Over the medium term the performance is better than average.
- Over the last five years the key driver in the substantial outperformance has been excellent results from the active equity managers.







# **Committee Report**

Decision Maker: PENSION FUND COMMITTEE

Date: 18 October 2018

Classification: General Release

Title: Fund Financial Management

Wards Affected: All

Policy Context: Effective control over Council Activities

Financial Summary: There are no immediate financial implications

arising from this report.

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#### 1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 The risk register has been refreshed as requested by the Committee, it now is set in two distinct parts, risk before mitigation and risks after mitigation. It also separates investment and administrative risks into separate sheets.
- 1.2 The cash flow forecast has been updated for the next three years with actuals to 30 June 2018.
- 1.3 The updated forward plan to 31 March 2019 is attached at Appendix 4 with a draft forward plan for the upcoming year 2019/20 at Appendix 5.

#### 2. Recommendations

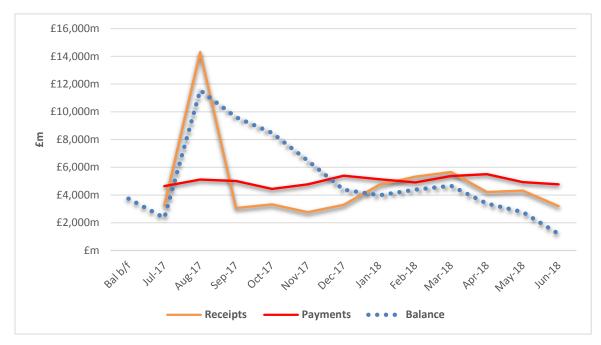
- 2.1 The Committee is asked to note the risk register for the Pension Fund.
- 2.2 The Committee is asked to note the cash flow position and three year forecast.
- 2.3 The Committee is asked to note the forward plan and comment on the draft forward plan for 2019/20.

### 3. Risk Register Monitoring

3.1 The risk register has been updated so that it now shows risk levels before and after mitigation is in place, as per the request of the Committee.

### 4. Cashflow Monitoring

- 4.1 The balance on the pension fund bank account at 30 June 2018 was £1.2 million.
- 4.2 The table below changes in the bank balance from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018.



4.3 Officers will continue to keep the cash balance on under review and take appropriate action where necessary.

#### 5. Forward Plan

5.1 The Rolling Forward Plan has been attached for 2018/19 and 2019/20.

If you have any questions about this report, or wish to inspect one of the background papers, please contact the report author:

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BACKGROUND PAPERS: None

### **APPENDICES:**

Appendix 1 – Tri-Borough Risk Management Scoring Matrix

Appendix 2 – Pension Fund Risk Register Review, June 2018

Appendix 3 – Cash Flow Monitoring, March 2018

Appendix 4 – Pension Fund Forward Plan, April 2018 to March 2019

Appendix 5 – Draft Pension Fund Forward Plan, 2019/20



Appendix 1 - Tri Borough Risk Management Scoring Matrix

#### Scoring (Impact )

Impact Description	Category	Description				
	Cost/Budgetary Impact	£0 to £25,000				
1 Very Low	Impact on life	Temporary disability or slight injury or illness less than 4 weeks (internal) or affecting 0-10 people (external)				
i very Low	Environment	Minor short term damage to local area of work.				
	Reputation	Decrease in perception of service internally only – no local media attention				
	Service Delivery	Failure to meet individual operational target – Integrity of data is corrupt no significant effect				
	Cost/Budgetary Impact	£25,001 to £100,000				
	Impact on life	Temporary disability or slight injury or illness greater than 4 weeks recovery (internal) or greater than 10 people (external)				
2 Low	Environment	Damage contained to immediate area of operation, road, area of park single building, short term harm to the immediate ecology or community				
	Reputation	Localised decrease in perception within service area – limited local media attention, short term recovery				
	Service Delivery	Failure to meet a series of operational targets – adverse local appraisals – Integrity of data is corrupt, negligible effect on indicator				
	Cost/Budgetary Impact	£100,001 to £400,000				
	Impact on life	Permanent disability or injury or illness				
	Environment	Damage contained to Ward or area inside the borough with medium term effect to immediate ecology or community				
3 Medium	Reputation  Decrease in perception of public standing at Local Level – media attention highlights failufront page news, short to medium term recovery					
	Service Delivery	Failure to meet a critical target – impact on an individual performance indicator – adverse internal audit report prompting timed improvement/action plan - Integrity of data is corrupt, data falsely inflates or reduces outturn of indicator				
	Cost/Budgetary Impact	£400,001 to £800,000				
	Impact on life	Individual Fatality				
	Environment	Borough wide damage with medium or long term effect to local ecology or community				
4 High	Reputation	Decrease in perception of public standing at Regional level – regional media coverage, medium term recovery				
	Service Delivery	Failure to meet a series of critical targets – impact on a number of performance indicators – adverse external audit report prompting immediate action - Integrity of data is corrupt, data falsely inflates or reduces out				
	Cost/Budgetary Impact	£800,001 and over				
	Impact on life	Mass Fatalities				
	Environment	Major harm with long term effect to regional ecology or community				
5 Very High	Reputation	Decrease in perception of public standing nationally and at Central Government – national media coverage, long term recovery				
	Service Delivery	Failure to meet a majority of local and national performance indicators – possibility of intervention/special measures – Integrity of data is corrupt over a long period, data falsely inflates or reduces outturn on a range of indicators				

#### Scoring (Likelihood)

Descriptor	Likelihood Guide		
Improbable, extremely unlikely	Virtually impossible to occur 0 to 5% chance of occurrence.		
2. Remote possibility	ery unlikely to occur 6 to 20% chance of occurrence		
3. Occasional	Likely to occur 21 to 50% chance of occurrence		
4. Probable	More likely to occur than not 51% to 80% chance of occurrence		
5. Likely	Almost certain to occur 81% to 100% chance of occurrence		



## **Administration Risk Register**

## Pension Fund Risk Register - Adminstration Risk

	Risk Ref.	Risk Description	Officer Despensible	Impact				
	RISK REI.	Officer Responsible	Fund	Employers	Reputation	Total		
	20	Loss of funds through fraud or misappropriation leading to negative impact on reputation of the Fund as well as financial loss.		3	2	3	8	
	21	Failure of fund manager or other service provider without notice resulting in a period of time without the service being provided or an alternative needing to be quickly identified and put in place.		3	2	1	6	
Dana 115	22	Failure of financial system leading to lump sum payments to scheme members and supplier payments not being made and Fund accounting not being possible.		1	2	3	6	
֓֟֟֟֟֟֟֝֟֟֟֟	23	Failure of pension payroll system resulting in pensioners not being paid in a timely manner.		1	3	1	5	
		Failure to pay pension benefits accurately leading to under or over payments.		1	1	1	3	
	25	Failure of pension administration system resulting in loss of records and incorrect pension benefits being paid or delays to payment.		1	2	2	5	

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	26	Administrators do not have sufficient staff or skills to manage the service leading to poor performance and complaints.	1	2	2	5
P	27	BT contract wind down could lead to problems for retirements in 18/19 where data is on two different systems. All returns must be completed prior to BT contract ceasing. The move to Hampshire CC due in Decemebr 2018 and ensuring that key working practices continue such as the pension interface will be a Key to reduce risks to members.	1	2	2	5
a	A1	Incorrect data due to employer error, user error or historic error leads to service disruption, inefficiency and conservative actuarial assumptions.	3	2	1	6
	A2	Lack of process ownership leads to ineffective processes and errors.	2	2	2	6
	A3	Failure to follow up on outstanding issues results in inefficiency and damaged reputation.	1	2	2	5
	A4	Lack of capability of the admin system leads to inefficiency and disruption	1	2	2	5

A5	Poor reconciliation process leads to incorrect contributions.	2	1	1	4
A6	Lack of guidance and process notes leads to inefficiency and errors	2	2	1	5
A7	Unstructured training leads to under developed workforce resulting in inefficiency.	2	2	2	6
A8	Conflicting priorities (Orbis, SCCvsSPF, Pensions pooling) leads to lack of overall strategy, confusion and missed opportunities.	3	2	2	7
Page 1	Non-compliance with regulation changes relating to the pension scheme or data protection leads to fines, penalties and damage to reputation.	3	3	2	8
A10	Concentration of knowledge in a small number of officers and risk of departure of key staff.	2	2	1	5
A11	Failure to get on top of the backlog leads to resource issues and management distractions.	2	2	1	5
A12	Failure to identify GMP liability leads to ongoing costs for the pension fund	3	2	1	6

	A13	Inability to respond to a significant event leads to prolonged service disruption and damage to reputation.	1	2	5	8
-	A14	Lack of productivity leads to impaired performance.	2	2	1	5
Page 118	A15	Failure to continuously improve leads to inefficiency and missed opportunities.	2	2	2	6
	A16	Rise in ill health retirements impact employer organisations	2	2	1	5
	A17	Rise in discretionary ill health retirements claims adversely effecting self-insurance costs	2	2	1	5
	A18	Structural changes in an employer's membership or an employer fully/partially closing the scheme. Employer bodies transferring out of the pension fund or employer bodies closing to new membership. An employer ceases to exist with insufficient funding or adequacy of bond	5	2	1	8

Likelihood	Total risk score	Mitigation actions
2	16	Third parties regulated by the FCA and separation of duties and independent reconciliation procedures in place. Review of third party internal control reports. Regular reconciliations of pension payments undertaken by Pensions Finance Team. Periodic internal audits of Pensions Finance and HR teams.
2	12	Contract monitoring in place with all providers. Procurement team send alerts whenever credit scoring for any provider changes for follow up action.
2	12	Contract in place with BT to provide service enabling smooth processing of supplier payments. Process in place for Surrey CC to generate lump sum payments to members as they are due. Officers undertaking additional testing and reconciliation work to verify accounting transactions
2	10	In the event of a pension payroll failure we would consider submitting the previous months BACS file to pay pensioners a second time if a file could not be recovered by the pension administrators and our software suppliers.
2	6	There are occasional circumstances where under or over payments are identified. Where under payments occur arrears are paid as soon as possible usually in the next monthly pension payment. Where an overpayment occurs, the member is contacted and the pension corrected in the next month. Repayment is requested and sometimes we collect this over a number of months.
2	10	Pension administration records are stored on the surrey servers they have a disaster recovery system in place and records should be restored within 24 hours of any issue, files are backed up daily.

	2	10	Surrey CC administers pensions for Surrey, East Sussex and manages our Triborough partners. The majority of WCC cases are handled by the team in East Sussex. Service has improved significantly since it was first implemented.
	2	10	People Services are working with HCC and BT to ensure service transfer is smooth as possible. 17/18 LGPS files being checked by People Services in June 2018.
Pa			Additional measures taken from Surrey
age 120	2	12	TREAT  1) Update and enforce admin strategy to assure employer reporting compliance  2) Implementation and monitoring of a Data Improvement Plan as part of the Service Specification between the Fund and Orbis  TOLERATE  1) Northern Trust provides 3rd party validation of performance and valuation data.
			2) Pension Fund team and Pension Committee members are able to interrogate data to ensure accuracy.
	2	12	TREAT  1) Require transparent workflow reporting with identification of process ownerhip to be reported to the Local Pension Board (the Board)
	2	10	TREAT  1) Include monitoring of task follow-up times as part of the revised service standards in the Administration Strategy
	2	10	TOLERATE  1) Ensure system efficiency is included in the annual improvement review.

	2	8	TREAT Ensure reconciliation process notes are understood by Pension Fund team 2) Ensure that the Pension Fund team is adequately resourced to manage the reconciliation process
	2	10	TREAT Ensure process notes are compiled and circulated in Pension Fund and administration teams
	2	12	TREAT Implementation and monitoring of a Staff Training and Competency Plan as part of the Service Specification between the Fund and Orbis
	2	14	TOLERATE  1) Establish transparent lines of communication between Orbis partnership leads and local service areas  2) Ongoing monitoring from the Pension Fund Committee and Local Pension Board
Page 12	2	16	TREAT  1) The fund has generally good internal controls with regard to the management of the fund. These controls are assessed on an annual basis by internal and external audit as well as council officers.  2) Through strong governance arrangements and the active reporting of issues, the Fund will seek to report all breaches as soon as they occur in order to allow mitigating actions to take place to limit the impact of any breaches.
21	3	15	TREAT 'How to' notes in place. 2) Development of team members & succession planning improvements to be implemented. 3) Officers and members of the Pension Fund Committee will be mindful of the proposed CIPFA Knowledge and Skills Framework when setting objectives and establishing training needs.
	2	10	TREAT Backlog to be identified as a "Project" as part of the Service Specification between the Fund and Orbis 2) Backlog to be included in revised Performance Statistics reported to and scrutinised by the Committee and Board
	1	6	TREAT 1) GMP to be identified as a "Project" as part of the Service Specification between the Fund and Orbis 2) Stage 1 reconciliation reviews has been completed. 3) Acquila Heywoods have been appointed to carry out an intermim stage 2 review

	2	16	TREAT  1) Disaster recover plan in place as part of the Service Specification between the Fund and Orbis  2) Ensure system security and data security is in place  3) Business continuity plans regularly reviewed, communicated and tested  4) Internal control mechanisms should ensure safe custody and security of LGPS assets.  5) Gain assurance from the Fund's custodian, Northern Trust, regarding their cyber security compliance
	2	10	TREAT Regular appraisals with focused objectives for pension fund and admin staff
Page 12	1	6	TREAT: 1) Annual customer feedback survey to be carried out. 2) Quarterly complaints/praise feedback to be reported to and scrutinised by the Committee and Board 3) Implementation and monitoring of an annual Continous Improvement Plan as part of the Service Specification between the Fund and Orbis
	1	5	TREAT  1) Implement self-insurance across employers within the fund
2	1	5	TREAT  1) Pension Fund monitors ill health retirement awards which contradict IRMP recommendations
	3	24	TREAT  1) Administering Authority actively monitors prospective changes in membership.  2) Maintain knowledge of employer future plans.  3) Contributions rates and deficit recovery periods set to reflect the strength of the employer covenant.  4) Periodic reviews of the covenant strength of employers are undertaken and indemnity applied where appropriate.  5) Risk categorisation of employers implemented as part of 2016 actuarial valuation.  6) Monitoring of gilt yields for assessment of pensions deficit on a termination basis.

Annex 2

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		1	1	1	3	2	6	28/08/18	
		1	1	1	3	2	6	28/08/18	

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	3	2	2	7	1	7	28/08/18	
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	Investment		1		That the combination of assets in the investment portfolio fails to fund the liabilities in the long term.	City Treasurer	5	4	4	13	2
	Investment		2		Fund managers fail to achieve the returns agreed in their management agreements.	City Treasurer	4	3	1	8	3
	Investment		3		Failure of custodian or counterparty.	City Treasurer	5	3	2	10	2
Jane 197	Funding		4		The level of inflation and interest rates assumed in the valuation may be inaccurate leading to higher than expected liabilities.	City Treasurer	4	2	1	7	2
	Funding		5		There is insufficient cash available in the Fund to meet pension payments leading to investment assets being sold at sub-optimal prices to meet pension payments.	City Treasurer	5	4	2	11	2
	Funding		6		Scheme members live longer than expected leading to higher than expected liabilities.	City Treasurer	5	3	1	9	2

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Scheme matures more quickly than expected due to public **Funding** 7 sector spending cuts, resulting City Treasurer 3 9 2 in contributions reducing and pension payments increasing. City Pensions legislation or regulation changes resulting in Treasurer and Director Regulation an increase in the cost of the 4 2 7 2 8 1 scheme or increased of People administration. Services Introduction of European Directive MiFID II results is a Regulation 9 City Treasurer 2 1 7 2 4 restriction of Fund's investment options and an increase in costs Loss of 'elective Professional Status' with any or all of existing Fund managers and counterparties resulting in Regulation 10 City Treasurer 4 2 2 8 2 reclassification of fund from professional to retail client status impacting Fund's investment options. Loss of flexibility to engage with Fund Managers that the fund has not 'opted up' with regard to new products, resulting in Regulation 11 reduced knowledge about City Treasurer 5 2 1 8 2 investment opportunities that may benefit the fund. (The Fund is a retail client to counterparties unless opted up)

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Failure to comply with legislation leads to ultra vires 12 City Treasurer 10 2 3 2 Governance actions resulting in financial loss and/or reputational damage. Committee members do not have appropriate skills or 13 knowledge to discharge their City Treasurer 3 2 9 2 Governance 4 responsibility leading to inappropriate decisions. Officers do not have appropriate skills and knowledge to perform their roles resulting in the City service not being provided in Treasurer line with best practice and legal and Director 2 9 2 14 3 Governance Page 129 requirements. Succession of People planning is not in place leading Services to reduction of knowledge when an officer leaves. Inadequate, inappropriate or incomplete investment or Governance 15 actuarial advice is actioned City Treasurer 5 3 2 10 2 leading to a financial loss or breach of legislation. London CIV has inadequate resources to monitor the implementation of investment 16 City Treasurer 3 2 1 6 2 Governance strategy and as a consequence are unable to address underachieving fund managers.

Fur	nding		17		Failure of an admitted or scheduled body leads to unpaid liabilities being left in the Fund to be met by others.	City Treasurer and Director of People Services	5	3	1	9	2
Fur	nding		18		Ill health costs may exceed "budget" allocations made by the actuary resulting in higher than expected liabilities particularly for smaller employers.	City Treasurer and Director of People Services	4	2	1	7	2
Page	nding		19		Transfers out increase significantly as members transfer to DC funds to access cash through new pension freedoms.	City Treasurer and Director of People Services	5	3	1	9	2
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30 Fur	nding		28	1	more than anticipated in the actuarial assumptions: an increase in CPI inflation by 0.1% over the assumed rate will increase the liability valuation by upwards of 1.7%		5	3	2	10	2
Fur	nding	Health & Safe	29	2	Pensioners living longer: adding one year to life expectancy will increase the future service rate by 0.8%		5	3	1	9	2

Pay increases are significantly more than anticipated for **Funding** 30 3 5 3 1 9 2 employers within the Fund. Mismatching of assets and liabilities, inappropriate long-**Funding** term asset allocation or 5 3 3 11 2 31 investment strategy, mistiming of investment strategy Page 131 Increased risk to global financial stability. Outlook deteriorates in advanced economies because of heightened uncertainty and setbacks to growth and confidence, with declines in oil 5 3 32 1 8 3 Investment and commodity prices. Leading to tightened financial conditions, reduced risk appetite and raised credit risks. Geo-political risk as a result of events and political uncertainty.

	Investment		33	7	Investment managers fail to achieve benchmark/outperformance targets over the longer term: a shortfall of 0.1% on the investment target will result in an annual impact of 1.4m.	4	3	1	8	3
Page	Financial	Security	34	8	Financial loss of cash investments from fraudulent activity	5	3	3	11	1
132		Suppliers / Pa	35	9	Financial failure of a fund manager leads to value reduction, increased costs and impairment.	5	3	2	10	1
	Investment		36	10	Significant volatility and negative sentiment in global investment markets following disruptive politically inspired events in US.	5	3	1	9	2

Global investment markets fail to perform in line with expectations 37 2 Investment 11 leading to deterioration in funding 5 3 10 2 levels and increased contribution requirements from employers. Impact of increases to employer contributions following the Funding 38 13 5 2 1 8 2 actuarial valuation Failure to take difficult decisions Page Reputation Governance inhibits effective Fund 2 39 15 5 3 10 2 management Volatility caused by uncertainty with regard to the withdrawal of the UK from the European Union, lack of 16 5 2 8 3 Investment 40 1 any trade deal struck by 29 March 2019 and the economic after effects. Insufficient attention paid to environmental, social and 18 Continuity 2 Operational 41 3 4 9 2 governance (ESG) issues, leading to reputational damage. Implementation of proposed changes to the LGPS (pooling) 42 19 does not conform to plan or cannot 2 2 Governance 3 1 6 be achieved within laid down timescales

Failure to hold personal data securely in breach of General Data 43 22 3 Operational 5 3 11 2 Protection Regulation (GDPR) legislation. **Funding** 2 1 8 2 44 23 Impact of economic and political factors on the Pension Fund's employer workforce. Page Governance Service Deliv 45 24 Changes to LGPS regulations 2 1 6 2 3 Change in membership of Pension Fund Committee leads Continuity 46 25 Governance 2 2 1 5 4 to dilution of member knowledge and understanding Inaccurate information in public domain leads to damage to 26 Operational 47 3 5 1 1 3 reputation and loss of confidence Financial failure of third party Operational 48 27 supplier results in service 5 1 10 2 4 impairment and financial loss

That the London Collective Investment Vehicle (LCIV) 28 disbands or the partnership fails 2 Governance 49 1 4 7 2 to produce proposals/solutions deemed sufficiently ambitous Failure to comply with legislative requirements e.g. ISS, FSS, 29 50 3 3 3 9 2 Governance Continuity Governance Policy, Freedom of Information requests Procurement processes may be challenged if seen to be noncompliant with OJEU rules. Poor specifications lead to Operational 30 2 51 5 3 3 11 Page dispute. Unsuccessful fund managers may seek compensation following non compliant process Failure to comply with recommendations from the local pension board, resulting in the Continuity 52 31 3 3 7 2 Governance 1 matter being escalated to the scheme advisory board and/or the pensions regulator Inaccurate cash flow forecasts or drawdown payments lead to shortfalls on cash levels and 34 2 **Financial** 53 3 4 9 2 borrowing becomes necessary to ensure that funds are available

## egister - Investment Risk

	Total risk score	Mitigation actions	•	Status	Revised Likelihood	Net risk score	Reviewed on
	26	Investment strategy in place and reviewed periodically. Performance is measured against a liability based benchmark. Fund performance is reviewed quarterly.			1	13	Sep-18
	24	Independent monitoring of fund manager performance by custodian against targets. Investment adviser retained to keep watching brief. Fund manager performance is reviewed quarterly.			2	16	Sep-18
שממש	20	At time of appointment, ensure assets are separately registered and segregated by owner. Review of internal control reports on an annual basis. Credit rating kept under review.			1	10	Sep-18
381	14	Review at each triennial valuation and challenge actuary as required. Growth assets and inflation linked assets in the portfolio should rise as inflation rises.			1	7	Sep-18
	22	Cashflow forecast maintained and monitored. Cashflow position reported to sub-committee quarterly. Cashflow requirement is a factor in current investment strategy review.			1	11	Sep-18
	18	Review at each triennial valuation and challenge actuary as required			2	18	Sep-18

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	18	Review maturity of scheme at each triennial valuation. Deficit contributions specified as lump sums, rather than percentage of payroll to maintain monetary value of contributions. Cashflow position monitored monthly.		1	9	Sep-18
	14	Maintain links with central government and national bodies to keep abreast of national issues. Respond to all consultations and lobby as appropriate to ensure consequences of changes to legislation are understood.		1	7	Sep-18
Pa	14	Officers are engaging with the Local Government Association and Fund Managers to understand the position better. Knowledge and Skills Policy in place for Officers and Members of the Committee. Maintain links with central government and national bodies to keep abreast of national issues.		1	7	Sep-18
Page 137	16	Keep quantitative and qualitative requirements under review to ensure that they continue to meet the requirements. There is a training programme and log in place to ensure knowledge and understanding is kept up to date. Existing and new Officer appointments subject to requirements for professional qualifications and CPD.		1	8	Sep-18
	16	More reliance on investment advisor to keep Officers and Committee updated. Officers are considering other financial institution outside of the current mandates to 'opt up' with. Maintaining up to date information about the fund on relevant platforms. Fund can opt up with prospective clients.		1	8	Sep-18

	20	Officers maintain knowledge of legal framework for routine decisions. Eversheds retained for consultation on non-routine matters.	1	10	Sep-18
	18	External professional advice is sought where required. Knowledge and skills policy in place (subject to Committee Approval)	1	9	Sep-18
Page 138	18	Person specifications are used at recruitment to appoint officers with relevant skills and experience. Training plans are in place for all officers as part of the performance appraisal arrangements. Shared service nature of the pensions team provides resilience and sharing of knowledge.	1	9	Sep-18
	20	At time of appointment ensure advisers have appropriate professional qualifications and quality assurance procedures in place. Committee and officers scrutinise and challenge advice provided.	2	20	Sep-18
	12	Pension Fund Committee Chair is a member of the Joint member Committee responsible for the oversight of the CIV and can monitor and challenge the level of resources through that forum. Tri-Borough Director of Treasury & Pensions is a member of the officer Investment Advisory Committee which gives the Fund influence over the work of the London CIV.	2	12	Sep-18

	18	Transferee admission bodies required to have bonds in place at time of signing the admission agreement. Regular monitoring of employers and follow up of expiring bonds.	1	9	Sep-18
	14	Review "budgets" at each triennial valuation and challenge actuary as required. Charge capital cost of ill health retirements to admitted bodies at the time of occurring. Occupational health services provided by the Council and other large employers to address potential ill health issues early.	2	14	Sep-18
	18	Monitor numbers and values of transfers out being processed. If required, commission transfer value report from Fund Actuary for application to Treasury for reduction in transfer values.	2	18	Sep-18
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139 139	20	TREAT- 1) The fund holds investment in index-linked bonds (RPI protection which is higher than CPI) and other real assets to mitigate CPI risk. Moreover, equities will also provide a degree of inflation protection.	1	10	Sep-18
	18	TREAT - 1) Barnet Waddingham use long term longevity projections in the actuarial valuation process. In recent months, longevity has been reported to be reducing over the long term from the ever increasing heights it reached in the last two or three years.	2	18	Sep-18

	18	TREAT - 1) Fund employers should monitor own experience. 2) Assumptions made on pay and price inflation (for the purposes of IAS19/FRS102 and actuarial valuations) should be long term assumptions. Any employer specific assumptions above the actuary's long term assumption would lead to further review. 3) Employers to made aware of generic impact that salary increases can have upon the final salary linked elements of LGPS benefits (accrued benefits before 1 April 2014).	2	18	Sep-18
Page 1		TREAT- 1) Active investment strategy and asset allocation monitoring from Pension Fund Committee, officers and consultants. 2) Investment strategy review is currently underway with an approved switch from equities to fixed income. 3) Setting of Fund specific benchmark relevant to the current position of fund liabilities. 4) Fund manager targets set and based on market benchmarks or absolute return measures. Overall investment benchmark and outperformance target is fund specific.	1	11	Sep-18
140	24	TREAT- 1) Increased vigilance and continued dialogue with managers as to events on and over the horizon. 2) Continued investment strategy involving portfolio diversification and risk control. 3) Investment strategy review will follow post actuarial 2019 valuation.	2	16	Sep-18

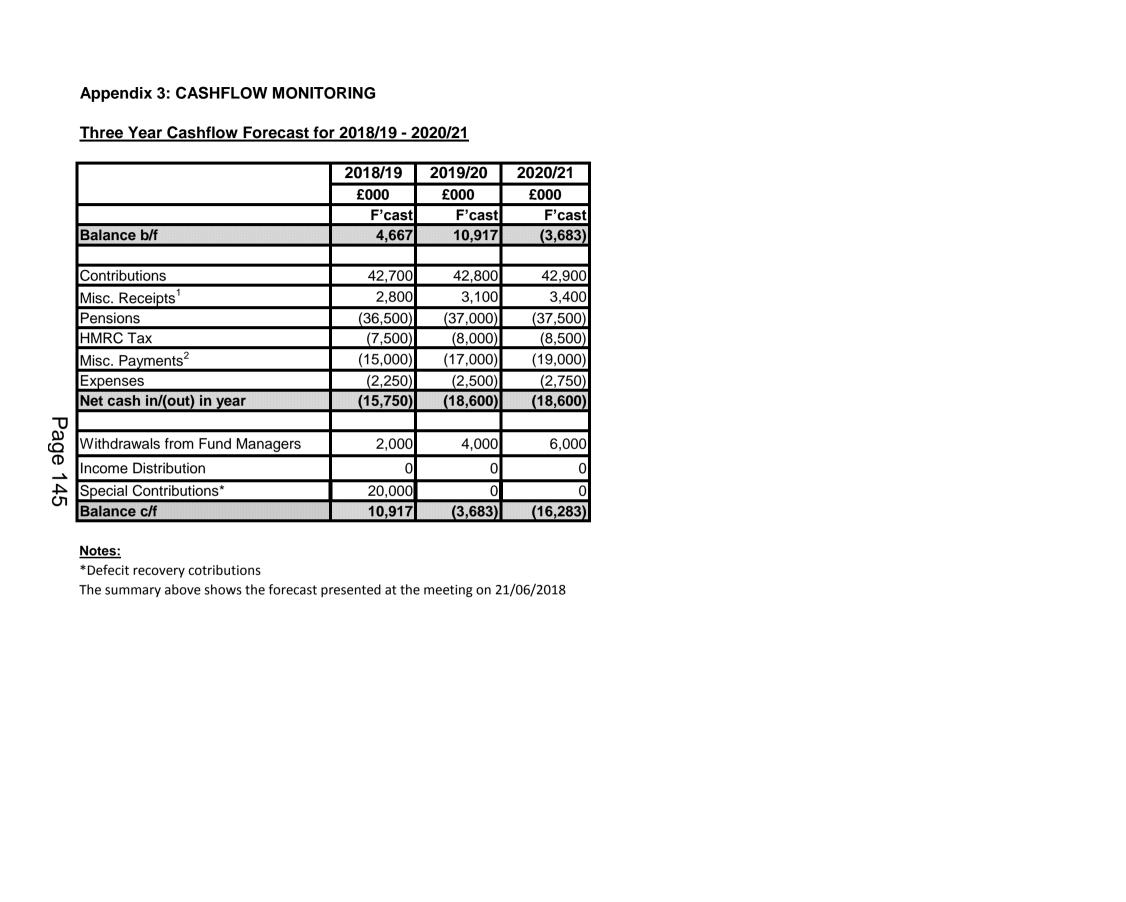
	24	TREAT- 1) The Investment Management Agreements (IMAs)clearly state WCC's expectations in terms of investment performance targets. 2) Investment manager performance is reviewed on a quarterly basis. 3) The Pension Fund Committee should be positioned to move quickly if it is felt that targets will not be achieved 4) Portfolio rebalancing is considered on a regular basis by the Pension Fund Committee. 5) The Fund's investment management structure is highly diversified, which lessens the impact of manager risk compared with less diversified structures.	2	16	Sep-18
T	11	TOLERATE - 1) Policies and procedures are in place which are regularly reviewed to ensure risk of investment loss is minimised. Strong governance arrangements are in place in respect of the Pension Fund. Internal Audit assist in the implementation of strong internal controls. Fund Managers have to provide annual SSAE16 and ISAE3402 or similar documentation (statement of internal controls).	1	11	Sep-18
Page 141	10	TREAT - 1) Fund is reliant upon current adequate contract management activity. 2) Fund is reliant upon alternative suppliers at similar price being found promptly. 3) Fund is reliant on LGIM as transition manager. 4) Fund has the services of the London Collective Investment Vehicle (LCIV).	1	10	Sep-18
	18	TREAT- 1) Continued dialogue with investment managers re management of political risk in global developed markets. 2) Investment strategy involving portfolio diversification and risk control. 3) Investment strategy review will follow post actuarial 2019 valuation.	2	18	Sep-18

	20	TREAT- 1) Proportion of total asset allocation made up of equities, bonds, property funds and fixed income, limiting exposure to one asset category.  2) The investment strategy is continuously monitored and periodically reviewed to ensure optimal risk asset allocation. 3) Actuarial valuation and strategy review ttake place every three years post the actuarial valuation.  4) IAS19 data is received annually and provides an early warning of any potential problems. 5) The actuarial assumption regarding asset outperformance is regarded as achievable over the long term when compared with historical data.	1	10	Sep-18
	16	TREAT- 1) Officers to consult and engage with employer organisations in conjunction with the actuary. 2) Actuary will assist where appropriate with stabilisation and phasing in processes.	1	8	Sep-18
Page 142	20	TREAT-1) Officers ensure that governance process encourages decision making on objective empirical evidence rather than emotion. Officers ensure that the basis of decision making is grounded in the Investment Strategy Statement (ISS), Funding Strategy Statement (/FSS), Governance policy statement and Committee Terms of Reference and that appropriate advice from experts is sought	1	10	Sep-18
	24	TREAT- 1) Officers to consult and engage with advisors and investment managers. 2) Future possibility of looking at move from UK to Global benchmarks on UK Equities and UK Property. 3) Possibility of hedging currency and equity index movements.	2	16	Sep-18
	18	TREAT-1) Review ISS in relation to published best practice (e.g. Stewardship Code) 2) Ensure fund managers are encouraged to engage and to follow the requirements of the published ISS. 3) The Fund is a member of the Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF), which raises awareness of ESG issues and facilitates engagement with fund managers and corporate company directors.	1	9	Sep-18
	12	TREAT- 1) Officers consult and engage with MHCLG, LGPS Scheme Advisory Board, advisors, consultants, peers, various seminars and conferences. 2) Officers engage in early planning for implementation against agreed deadlines.	1	6	Sep-18

	22	TREAT - 1) Data encryption technology is in place which allow the secure transmission of data to external service providers. 2) Phasing out of holding records via paper files. 3) Pensions Admin (Surrey County Council) manual records are locked daily in a secure safe. 4) WCC IT data security policy adhered to.		1	11	Sep-18
	16	TREAT- 1) Barnet Waddingham uses prudent assumptions on future of employees within workforce. Employer responsibility to flag up potential for major bulk transfers outside of the Westminster Fund. The potential for a significant reduction in the workforce as a result of the public sector financial pressures may have a future impact on the Fund. 2) Need to make prudent assumptions about diminishing workforce when carrying out the triennial actuarial valuation.		2	16	Sep-18
Page	12	TREAT - 1) Fundamental change to LGPS Regulations implemented from 1 April 2014 (change from final salary to CARE scheme). 2) Future impacts on employer contributions and cash flows will considered during the 2016 actuarial valuation process. 3) Fund will respond to consultation processes. 4) Impact of LGPS (Management of Funds) Regulations 2016 to be monitored. Impact of Regulations 8 (compulsory pooling) to be monitored.		2	12	Sep-18
Page 143	20	TREAT - 1) Succession planning process in place. 2) Ongoing training of Pension Fund Committee members. 3) Pension Fund Committee new member induction programme. 4) Training to be based on the requirements of CIPFA Knowledge and Skills Framework under designated officer.		3	15	Sep-18
	15	TOLERATE - 1) Ensure that all requests for information (Freedom of Information, member and public questions at Council, etc) are managed appropriately and that Part 2 Exempt items remain so. 2) Maintain constructive relationships with employer bodies to ensure that news is well managed. Stage AGM every year.		2	10	Sep-18
	20	TOLERATE - 1) Performance of third parties (other than fund managers) regularly monitored. 2) Regular meetings and conversations with global custodian (Northern Trust) take place. 3) Actuarial and investment consultancies are provided by two different providers.		2	20	Sep-18

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	14	TOLERATE - 1) Partners for the pool have similar expertise and likemindedness of the officers and members involved with the fund, ensuring compliance with the pooling requirements. Ensure that ongoing fund and pool proposals are comprehensive and meet government objectives. Member presence on Shareholder Committee and officer groups.	2	14	Sep-18
	18	TOLERATE - 1) Publication of all documents on external website. 2) Managers expected to comply with ISS and investment manager agreements. 3) Local Pension Board is an independent scrutiny and assistance function. 4) Annual audit reviews.	1	9	Sep-18
Page 144	22	TOLERATE - Ensure that assessment criteria remains robust and that full feedback is given at all stages of the procurement process.	2	22	Sep-18
	14	TOLERATE - 1) Ensure that an cooperative, effective and transparent dialogue exists between the Pension Fund Committee and Local Pension Board.	1	7	Sep-18
	18	TOLERATE - 1) Borrowing limits with banks are set at levels that are more than adequate should cash be required at short notice. 2) Cashflow analysis of pension fund undertaken at regular intervals.	1	9	Sep-18



		Nov-17			Dec-17			Jan-18		
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
	F'cast	Actual	Var	F'cast	Actual	Var	F'cast	Actual	Var	F'cast
Balance b/f	8,019	8,486	(467)	6,944	6,480	464	5,869	4,385	1,484	4,794
Contributions	3,550	2,701	849	3,550	3,212	338	3,550	3,068	482	3,550
Misc. Receipts	208	62	146	208	81	127	208	1,591	(1,383)	208
Pensions	(3,000)	(3,116)	116	(3,000)	(3,123)	123	(3,000)	(3,100)	100	(3,000)
HMRC Tax Payments	(583)	(545)	(38)	(583)	(542)	(41)	(583)	(551)	(32)	(583)
Misc. Payments	(1,083)	(1,108)	25	(1,083)	(1,258)	175	(1,083)	(1,331)	248	(1,083)
Expenses	(167)		(167)	(167)	(465)	298	(167)	(161)	(6)	(167)
Net cash in/(out) in month	(1,075)	(2,006)	931	(1,075)	(2,095)	1,020	(1,075)	(484)	(591)	(1,075)
Withdrawals from Fund Managers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Special Contributions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	84	(84)	
Balance c/f	6,944	6,480	464	5,869	4,385	1,484	4,794	3,985	809	3,719

## <u>Notes</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes Transfers in, Overpayments, Bank Interest, VAT reclaim, Recharges

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Includes Transfers out, Lump Sums, Death Grants, Refunds

	Feb-18		Mar-18			Apr-18			May-18		Jun-18		
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
	Actual	Var	F'cast	Actual	Var	F'cast	Actual	Var	F'cast	Actual	Var	F'cast	Actual
	3,985	809	3,719	4,390	(671)	4,668	4,668	0	3,356	3,379	(24)	2,043	2,768
_	2,843	707	3,550	3,135	415	3,558	3,012	547	3,558	3,399	159	3,558	3,135
	975	(766)	208	218	(9)	233	1,202	(969)	233	922	(689)	233	68
	(3,146)	146	(3,000)	(3,137)	137	(3,042)	(3,236)	194	(3,042)	(3,204)	163	(3,042)	(3,198)
	(563)	(20)	(583)	(802)	219	(625)	(569)	(56)	(625)	(642)	17	(625)	(568)
	(1,204)	120	(1,083)	(1,428)	344	(1,250)	(1,528)	278	(1,250)	(1,074)	(176)	(1,250)	(965)
	0	(167)	(167)	(7)	(159)	(188)	(170)	(18)	(188)	(12)	(176)	(188)	(41)
<u></u>	(1,095)	20	(1,075)	(2,022)	947	(1,313)	(1,289)	(24)	(1,313)	(611)	(701)	(1,313)	(1,568)
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148	1,500	(1,500)		2,300	(2,300)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	4,390	(671)	2,644	4,668	(2,024)	3,356	3,379	(24)	2,043	2,768	(725)	731	1,200

		Jul-18			Aug-18			Sep-18			Oct-18		
£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Var	F'cast	Actual	Var	F'cast	Actual	Var	F'cast	Actual	Var	F'cast	Actual	Var	F'cast
(725)	731	1,200	(470)	418	1,200	(782)	9,106	1,200	7,905	7,793	1,200	6,593	6,481
423	3,558	0	3,558	3,558	0	3,558	3,558	0	3,558	3,558	0	3,558	3,558
166	233	0	233	233	0	233	233	0	233	233	0	233	233
156	(3,042)	0	(3,042)	(3,042)	0	(3,042)	(3,042)	0	(3,042)	(3,042)	0	(3,042)	(3,042)
(57)	(625)	0	(625)	(625)	0	(625)	(625)	0	(625)	(625)	0	(625)	(625)
(285)	(1,250)	0	(1,250)	(1,250)	0	(1,250)	(1,250)	0	(1,250)	(1,250)	0	(1,250)	(1,250)
(147)	(188)	0	(188)	(188)	0	(188)	(188)	0	(188)	(188)	0	(188)	(188)
256	(1,313)	0	(1,313)	(1,313)	0	(1,313)	(1,313)	0	(1,313)	(1,313)	0	(1,313)	(1,313)
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(470)	418	1,200	(782)	9,106	1,200	(2,095)	7,793	1,200	6,593	6,481	1,200	5,280	5,168

	Nov-18			Dec-18			Jan-19			Feb-19			Mar-19	
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
	Actual	Var	F'cast	Actual	Var									
	1,200	5,280	5,168	1,200	3,968	3,856	1,200	2,655	2,543	1,200	1,343	1,231	1,200	30
_	0	3,558	3,558	0	3,558	3,558	0	3,558	3,558	0	3,558	3,558	0	3,558
	0	233	233	0	233	233	0	233	233	0	233	233	0	233
	0	(3,042)	(3,042)	0	(3,042)	(3,042)	0	(3,042)	(3,042)	0	(3,042)	(3,042)	0	(3,042)
	0	(625)	(625)	0	(625)	(625)	0	(625)	(625)	0	(625)	(625)	0	(625)
	0	(1,250)	(1,250)	0	(1,250)	(1,250)	0	(1,250)	(1,250)	0	(1,250)	(1,250)	0	(1,250)
	0	(188)	(188)	0	(188)	(188)	0	(188)	(188)	0	(188)	(188)	0	(188)
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	1,200	3,968	3,856	1,200	2,655	2,543	1,200	1,343	1,231	1,200	30	21,918	1,200	20,718

## PENSION FUND COMMITTEE

## Forward Plan - March 2018

21 Jun 2018	18 Oct 2018	13 Dec 2018	04 Mar 2019	
Pension Board minutes	Pension Board minutes	Pension Board minutes	Pension Board minutes	
Quarterly Performance Reports	Quarterly Performance Reports	Quarterly Performance Reports	Quarterly Performance Reports	
Quarterly Fund Financial Management Update	Quarterly Fund Financial Management Update	Quarterly Fund Financial Management Update	Quarterly Fund Financial Management Update	
Pensions Administration Key Performance Indicators	Pensions Administration Key Performance Indicators	Pensions Administration Key Performance Indicators	Pensions Administration Key Performance Indicators	
Forward Plan	Forward Plan	Forward Plan	Forward Plan	
Pension Fund Annual Report and Accounts	Progress on compliance with TPR Code of Practice	London CIV governance review	Investment Strategy Statement Review	
2017/18 Business Plan	ESG Monitoring Update	Annual report of Pension Board activities	Briefing on Triennial Valuation	
		Review of Governance Compliance Statement		
		Training Plan		
Pooling and CIV update	Pooling and CIV update	MiFID II annual review	Pooling and CIV update	
Annual report to Scheme Advisory Board re pooling	Infrastructure Investment Strategy	Transition Update for	Investment Strategy Review	
arrangements	Equity Protection strategy			
	Pension Board minutes Quarterly Performance Reports Quarterly Fund Financial Management Update Pensions Administration Key Performance Indicators Forward Plan  Pension Fund Annual Report and Accounts 2017/18 Business Plan  Pooling and CIV update Annual report to Scheme Advisory Board re pooling	Pension Board minutes Quarterly Performance Reports Quarterly Fund Financial Management Update Pensions Administration Key Performance Indicators Forward Plan  Pension Fund Annual Report and Accounts 2017/18 Business Plan  Pension Board minutes Quarterly Performance Reports Quarterly Fund Financial Management Update Pensions Administration Key Performance Indicators Forward Plan  Progress on compliance with TPR Code of Practice ESG Monitoring Update ESG Monitoring Update Annual report to Scheme Advisory Board re pooling Advisory Board re pooling Arrangements  Pooling and CIV update Infrastructure Investment Strategy	Pension Board minutes Quarterly Performance Reports Quarterly Fund Financial Management Update Pensions Administration Key Performance Indicators Forward Plan  Pension Fund Annual Report and Accounts 2017/18 Business Plan  Pension Board minutes Quarterly Performance Reports Pensions Administration Key Pensions Administrati	

Area of work	21 Jun 2018	18 Oct 2018	13 Dec 2018	04 Mar 2019
Administration	Voluntary Scheme Pays, Tax Paper.  Pension Administration Strategy (PAS) – update Initial Audits  Western Union certification exercise for Overseas Pensioners.	Update on Hampshire Project. Impact on Pension Administration going Forward.  Discretionary Policies Paper.	Hampshire Project. First Months Issues for Pension Administration. Pension Administration Strategy (PAS) – update Initial Audits	04 IVIAI 2019

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## **Draft Forward Plan – 2019/20**

Area of work	Jun 2019	Oct 2019	Dec 2019	Mar 2020	
Standing Items	Pension Board minutes	Pension Board minutes	Pension Board minutes	Pension Board minutes	
	Quarterly Performance Reports	Quarterly Performance Reports	Quarterly Performance Reports	Quarterly Performance Reports	
	Quarterly Fund Financial Management Update	Quarterly Fund Financial Management Update	Quarterly Fund Financial Management Update	Quarterly Fund Financial Management Update	
	Pensions Administration Key Performance Indicators	Pensions Administration Key Performance Indicators	Pensions Administration Key Performance Indicators	Pensions Administration Key Performance Indicators	
	Forward Plan	Forward Plan	Forward Plan	Forward Plan	
Governance	Pension Fund Annual Report and Accounts 2018/19 Review of Governance Compliance Statement Business Plan	Annual report of Pension Board activities Training Plan Progress on compliance with TPR Code of Practice London CIV governance update	London CIV governance review	Investment Strategy Statement Review Briefing on Triennial Valuation	
Investments	Pooling and CIV update Investment Strategy Review Annual report to Scheme Advisory Board re pooling arrangements	Pooling and CIV update Investment Strategy Review Update on fixed income tender	MiFID II annual review	Pooling and CIV update Investment Strategy Review	

Area of work	Jun 2019	Oct 2019	Dec 2019	Mar 2020
Administration	Voluntary Scheme Pays, Tax Paper.	Project. Impact on Pension Administration going	Hampshire Project. First Months Issues for Pension Administration. Pension Administration	
	Pension Administration Strategy (PAS) – update Initial Audits	Pension Board Recruitment	Strategy (PAS) – update Initial Audits	
	Discretionary Policies Paper.			
	Western Union certification exercise for Overseas Pensioners.			