

# **Derbyshire Pension Fund Update to Pensions and Investments Committee**

PRESENTED BY



**MIKE WESTON CEO** 

19 October 2022



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### Agenda:

# LGPS Central Limited

### **AREAS FOR DISCUSSION**

- Company Update
- Investment Funds
  - DPF's investments in LGPS Central Funds
  - DPF's investment performance
  - Product Development
  - Responsible Investment and Engagement
- Staffing and Recruitment
- Summary



### **LGPS Central – Key Themes for 2022/23**



FOUR AREAS OF FOCUS FOR LGPSC BOARD AND MANAGEMENT TEAM



**Fund Performance** 



Recruitment and Retention



**Business Maturity** 



The Future

# **LGPS Central Update**



£28.5bn

Assets under our stewardship As at 30/06/2022

£55.3bn

Collective assets of Partner Funds As at 30/06/2022 52%

Pooled assets As at 30/06/2022 £250m

Projected net savings by 2033/34



23 funds

Launched since 2018

13 funds

Launched this financial year

38

External managers

21.0%

Staff Turnover



100%

Responsible Investment Integrated Status

67

**Employees** 

8

Partner Funds

Net Zero

Commitment on assets under our stewardship 2050



UK Stewardship Code 2020

Votes at meetings (engagement activity)

3,326

TCFD

Diversity Project

Reports Prepared

Member

Signatory

Source: LGPS Central, data as at 31 March 2022

### **LGPS Central Funds Launched**



#### 23 PUBLIC AND PRIVATE MARKET FUNDS LAUNCHED SINCE 2018

Fund	Launched
UK Equity (Passive)	2018
Global Equity (Passive)	2018
Global Dividend Growth (Passive)	2018
Multi-Factor Fund (Passive)	2021
Climate Factor Fund (Passive)	2019
Global Equity Multi-Manager Fund (Active)	2019
EM Equity Multi-Manager Fund (Active)	2019
Corporate Bonds Multi-Manager Fund (Active)	2020
EM Fixed Income Multi-Manager (Active)	2020
Global MAC Multi-Manager Fund (Active)	2021
Global Sustainable Equity Broad (Active)	2022
Global Sustainable Equity Targeted (Active)	2022
Global Sustainable Equity Thematic (Active)	2022
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	Fund	Launched
	Private Equity - 2018 Primary	2019
	Private Equity - 2018 Co-Investment	2019
	Private Equity - 2021 Primary	2021
	Private Equity - 2021 Co-Investment	2021
	Private Inflation Credit Fund	2021
	Private Lower Credit Fund	2021
	Private Higher Credit Fund	2021
	Infrastructure Core Fund	2021
	Infrastructure Value Add Fund	2021
	Infrastructure JPMorgan Fund	2021

5 Passive funds launched since inception of LGPSC

8 Active funds launched since inception of LGPSC

GSE Fund launched May 2022



DPF have invested in these Funds

### **DPF Investments in LGPS Central Funds**



### **ASSETS UNDER MANAGEMENT 31 AUGUST 2022**

Asset Class	Fund	DPF's Assets	Total Fund AUM	DPF % of Fund
Passive Equity	LGPS Central Limited All World Equity Climate Multi Factor Fund	£310.1m	£4,221.1m	7.3%
Active Global Equity	LGPS Central Limited Emerging Market Equity Active Multi Manager Fund	£180.9m	£831.9m	21.7%
Fixed Income	LGPS Central Limited Global Active Investment Grade Corporate Bond Multi Manager Fund	£339.7m	£1,524.0m	22.3%
Private Credit LGPS Central Credit Partnership II		£50m <sup>1</sup>	£1,025m <sup>1</sup>	4.9% <sup>1</sup>



### **DPF Investments in LGPS Central Funds**



#### CHALLENGING TIMES FOR ACTIVE MANAGEMENT

Annualised Performance Since Inception to 31 August 2022	Inception Date	Fund (% p.a.)	B'mark (% p.a.)	Within Tracking Error
Passive ACS Funds				
LGPS Central Limited All World Equity Climate Multi Factor Fund	October 2019	11.3	11.1	
Annualised Performance Since Inception to 31 August 2022	Inception Date	Fund (% p.a.)	B'mark (% p.a.)	Target (% p.a.)
Active ACS Funds				
LGPS Central Limited Emerging Market Equity Active Multi Manager Fund	July 2019	1.0	4.1	6.1
LGPS Central Limited Global Active Investment Grade Corporate Bond Multi Manager Fund	March 2020	-0.8	-0.8	0.1

# **Product Development:**



### **FUTURE FUND LAUNCHES**

01	Private Debt	Two sleeves: one is investment grade infrastructure debt (inflation linked) and the other, sub-investment grade infrastructure debt and real-estate debt 1 <sup>st</sup> close at the end of June, this will remain open-ended
	Targeted Return	Partner Funds engaged on strategies/managers to be included with launch expected Q1 2023
	Direct Property	Finalising legal documents and FCA application with launch anticipated end of November 2022
	Indirect Property	Agreement made to proceed with the Residential sleeve and an Overseas sleeve

# Responsible Investment & Engagement



#### SIGNIFICANT JOINT ACHIEVEMENTS OVER THE LAST 6 MONTHS

- Agreed Pool and Company Net Zero Targets
- Delivered Company Stewardship Code Report and assisted those Partner Funds that also wanted to report in Q1 2022
- Refreshed the Climate Risk Monitoring Service, with additional Net Zero Relevant Metrics
- RI due diligence on Private Market Fund Launches and ongoing monitoring of external managers
- Significant engagements
  - Credit Suisse and Glencore
  - Deforestation, Plastic pollution, Climate Change and Human Rights



# Responsible Investment & Engagement



#### PRIORITIES FOR THE NEXT SIX MONTHS



Complete Climate Risk Monitoring for SPF (including scenario analysis) later this year



Procurement of ESG tool and associated analysis



Finalize Net Zero Implementation Strategy and Metric Gathering



Extend Carbon Analysis to Private Markets



Recruitment to bring RI Team back to 6 people



Modern Slavery Statement





## Staff are our only Asset



#### POSITIVE INFLUX OF NEW AND REPLACEMENT HIRES BUT RETENTION IS DIFFICULT

Successful new hires that joined in September:

Chief Stakeholder Officer Matthew Jones

Chief Legal, Compliance & Risk Officer Struan Fairbairn

RI Integration Manager (FTC) **Justin Sloggett** 

**Mohammed Nadeem** Compliance Manager

**Investment Operations Manager** 

Jaytin Patel Admin Assistant Rhys Khan

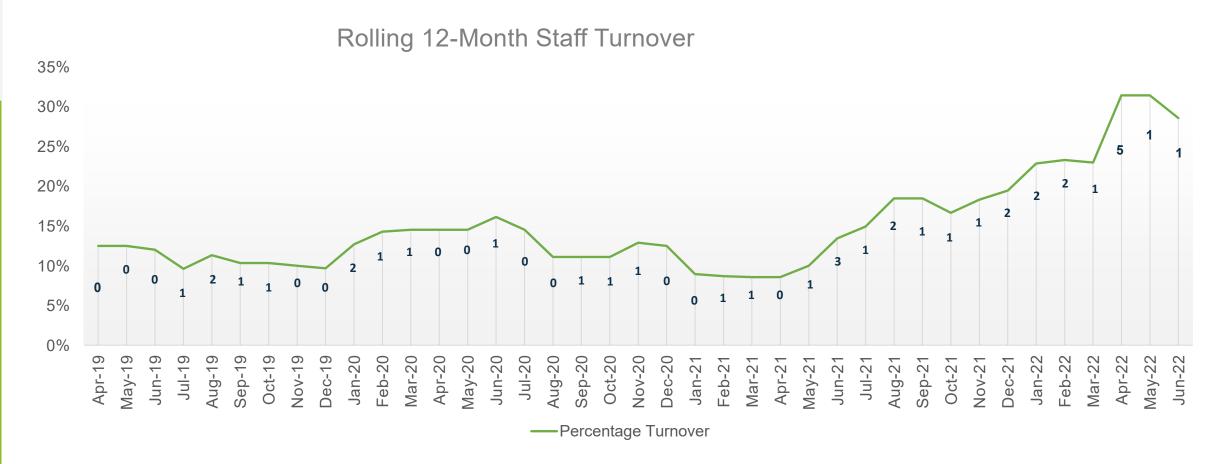
3<sup>rd</sup> Graduate cohort started in early October

- Highly competitive recruitment market
  - Inward recruitment taking longer
  - The quality and skills of LGPSC Ltd staff make them attractive to alternative employers
  - Exit interviews consistently cite "Remuneration & Benefits" packages and "Location" as reasons for leaving

### Staff Turnover has Risen over the Last Year



#### COVID RE-EVALUATION, REMOTE WORKING AND 3-YEAR POINT ALL CONTRIBUTING



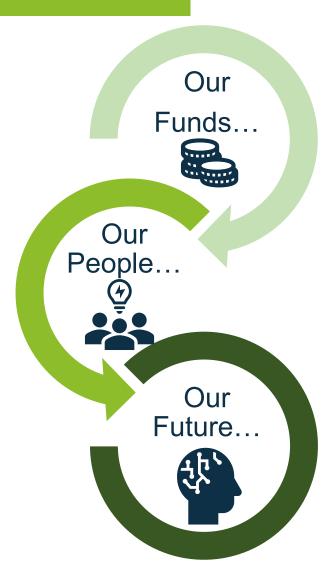
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### **Summary**



#### **CONTINUING PROGRESS IN A CHALLENGING ENVIRONMENT**

 Staff retention remains a key challenge and focus for the Board and Senior Management



- Responsibly achieved Investment performance is our top priority
- Continuing growth of Private
  Markets partnerships to
  facilitate increasing Partner
  Fund asset allocations
- Cost savings are being achieved

- Cumulative breakeven within sight
- What next once new fund launches and asset transitions plateau?

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Performance is shown on a Net Asset Value (NAV) basis, with gross income reinvested where applicable.

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