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DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

PENSIONS AND INVESTMENTS COMMITTEE

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Report of the Director - Finance and ICT

Stewardship Report

1. Purpose

1.1 To provide the Pensions and Investments Committee with an overview of the stewardship activity carried out by Derbyshire Pension Fund's (the Fund) external investment managers in the quarter ended 30 June 2023.

2. Information and Analysis

2.1 Stewardship Activity

This report attaches the following two reports to ensure that the Pensions and Investments Committee is aware of the engagement activity being carried out by Legal & General Investment Management (LGIM) and by LGPS Central Limited (the Fund's pooling company) (LGPSC):

- Q2 2023 LGIM ESG Impact Report (Appendix 2)
- Q1 2023/24 LGPSC Quarterly Stewardship Report (Appendix 3).

LGIM manages around £1.8bn of assets on behalf of the Fund through passive products covering: UK Equities; Japanese Equities; Emerging Market Equities; and Global Sustainable Equities. LGPSC currently manages around £1.1bn of assets on behalf of the Fund through its All-World Equity Climate Multi Factor Fund, Global Sustainable Equities Broad Strategy Sub-Fund, Global Sustainable Equities Targeted Strategy, Global Active Emerging Market Equities Sub-Fund, Global Active Investment Grade Corporate Bond Multi Manger Sub-Fund and Credit Partnership II (Private Debt) Fund. It is expected that LGPSC will manage a growing proportion of the Fund's assets going forward as part of the LGPS pooling project.

These two reports provide an overview of the investment managers' current key stewardship themes and voting and engagement activity.

3. Implications

3.1 Appendix 1 sets out the relevant implications considered in the preparation of the report.

4. Background Papers

4.1 Papers held in the Investment Section.

5. Appendices

5.1 Appendix 1 – Implications

5.2 Appendix 2 – Q2 2023 LGIM ESG Impact Report.

5.3 Appendix 3 – Q1 2023/24 LGPSC Quarterly Stewardship Report.

6. Recommendation(s)

That Committee:

a) notes the stewardship activity of LGIM and LGPSC.

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Implications

Financial

1.1 None

Legal

2.1 None

Human Resources

3.1 None

Information Technology

4.1 None

Equalities Impact

5.1 None

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

6.1 None

Other (for example, Health and Safety, Environmental, Sustainability, Property and Asset Management, Risk Management and Safeguarding)

7.1 None