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**DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

**PENSIONS AND INVESTMENTS COMMITTEE**

**WEDNESDAY, 6 MARCH 2024**

**Report of the Director - Finance and ICT**

**Stewardship Report**

**1. Purpose**

1.1 To provide the Pensions & Investments Committee with an overview of the stewardship activity carried out by Legal & General Investment Management (LGIM), one of Derbyshire Pension Fund's (the Fund) external investment managers, in the quarter ended 31 December 2023.

**2. Information and Analysis**

**2.1 Stewardship Activity**

This report attaches the Q4 2023 LGIM ESG Impact Report (Appendix 2) to ensure that the Pensions and Investments Committee is aware of LGIM's stewardship activity. LGIM currently manages around £1.9bn of assets on behalf of the Fund through passive products covering: UK Equities; Japanese Equities; Emerging Market Equities; and Global Sustainable Equities. The report provides an overview of LGIM's current key stewardship themes and voting and engagement activity over the quarter to 31 December 2023.

The quarterly Stewardship Report to the Pensions & Investments Committee also generally includes a quarterly stewardship report from LGPS Central Limited (LGPSC), the Fund's pooling company. However, in line with a prior year change to the LGPSC stewardship reporting cycle, a Q3 2023-24 LGPSC Stewardship Report has not been prepared and the stewardship activity for the quarter will be covered in LGPSC's Annual Stewardship

Report for the year to 31 March 2024. This is scheduled for release in May or June 2024 and will be reported to Committee in due course.

### **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 by the Pension Fund.

### **5. Appendices**

5.1 Appendix 1 – Implications

5.2 Appendix 2 – Q4 2023 LGIM ESG Impact Report.

### **6. Recommendation(s)**

That Committee:

a) notes the stewardship activities of LGIM.

### **7. Reasons for Recommendation(s)**

7.1 The Pensions and Investments Committee is responsible for reviewing and approving the Fund's policies and strategies, including the Responsible Investment Framework, which sets out the Pension Fund's approach to its stewardship activities.

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**Appendix 1**

**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