

Report for: Pensions Committee and Board 19 September 2019

Title: Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF) Voting Update

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Ward(s) affected: N/A

Report for Key/
Non Key Decision: Non Key decision

1. Describe the issue under consideration

1.1. The Fund is a member of the LAPFF and the Committee and Board has previously agreed that the Fund should cast its votes at investor meetings in line with LAPFF voting recommendations. This report provides an update on voting activities on behalf of the Fund.

2. Cabinet Member Introduction

2.1. Not applicable.

3. Recommendations

3.1. That the Committee and Board note this report.

4. Reason for Decision

4.1. None.

5. Other options considered

5.1. None.

6. Background information

6.1. The voting alert received from LAPFF and outcome of votes, as well as how the fund's equity manager, Legal and General Investment Management (LGIM) voted, is detailed below.

Company	Description	LAPFF Recommendation For/Oppose	LGIM Vote For/Oppose	AGM Vote outcome
Exxon Mobil	Various	Oppose/For	Oppose/For	Various
Chevron	Report on reducing carbon footprint, and report for independent chair	For	For (both)	Oppose (74%) Oppose (66.80%)
Alphabet	Nomination of employee representative and report on content governance	For	Oppose (both)	Oppose (1.89%)
Tesla	Incentive policy and public policy committee	Oppose/For	Against (both)	For (66.8%) Oppose (90.6%)
Caterpillar	Re Elect Chair, remove proxy access re-submission threshold, report on activities in conflict areas	Oppose/For/For	For Resolutions 1.5 & 4. Against Resolution 5	For (99.3%) Oppose (76.7%) Oppose (92.3%)

7. Contribution to Strategic Outcomes

7.1. None.

8. Statutory Officers comments (Chief Finance Officer (including procurement), Assistant Director of Corporate Governance, Equalities)

Finance and Procurement

8.1. There are no further finance or procurement comments arising from this report.

Legal

8.2. The Assistant Director of Governance was consulted on the content of this report. There are no legal issues directly arising from this report.

Equalities

8.3. There are no equalities issues arising from this report.

9. Use of Appendices

9.1. None

10. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

10.1. Not applicable.