Report for: Pensions Committee and Board – 21 January 2021

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

Report

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Ward(s) affected: Not applicable

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 Pensions 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

The Pensions Committee and Board is asked:

3.1. To note this report.

4. Reason for Decision

4.1. Not applicable.

5. Other options considered

5.1. Not applicable.



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
The Procter & Gamble	Efforts to eliminate deforestation report	For	For	For (67%)
	 Amendment to the constitution of BHP Group Ltd: 	For	For	Oppose (90%)
	Cultural Heritage Protection; and	For	Oppose	Withdraw (N/A)
BHP Group Ltd	 Lobbying related to Covid- 19 recovery" 	For	For	Oppose (78%)

7. Contribution to Strategic Outcomes

7.1. Not applicable.

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. Not applicable.

10. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985



10.1. Not applicable.

