

Report for: Pensions Committee and Board – 12 September 2022

Title: Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF) Update

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Ward(s) affected: Not applicable

**Report for Key/
Non Key Decision:** Not applicable

1. Describe the issue under consideration

1.1. This paper provides an update on the Local Authority Pension Fund Forum's (LAPFF) engagement and voting activities on behalf of the Pension Fund. The Pension Fund is a member of LAPFF, and the Pensions Committee and Board has previously agreed that the Fund's investment managers should cast its votes at investor meetings in line with the LAPFF voting recommendations.

2. Cabinet Member Introduction

2.1. Not applicable

3. Recommendations

The Pensions Committee and Board is recommended:

3.1. To note the report.

4. Reason for Decision

4.1. Not applicable

5. Other options considered

5.1. Not applicable.

6. Background information

6.1. Haringey Pension Fund is a member of the Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF), a shareholder engagement group that regularly engages with companies to encourage best practice and effect positive change. LAPFF engages directly

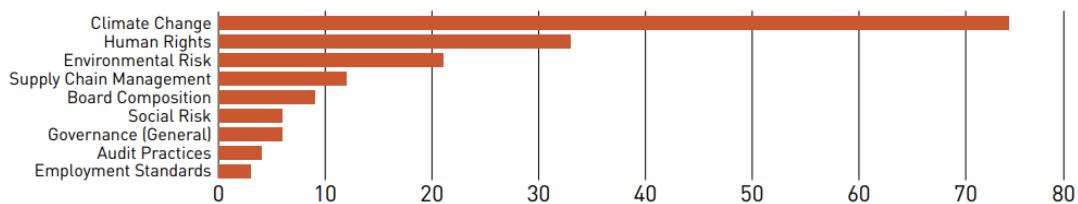
with senior management and company boards to ensure they have the right policies in place to create value responsibly.

Engagement Report

6.2. During the quarter to 30 June 2022, LAPFF engaged with 90 companies domiciled in over 20 countries. Most of this engagement was on climate change related issues.

6.3. The chart below shows the breakdown of engagement topics over the quarter.

ENGAGEMENT TOPICS



Voting Alerts

6.4. There were 10 voting alerts received from LAPFF during the quarter and the outcome of votes, as well as how the Pension Fund's equity manager, Legal and General Investment Management (LGIM) voted is detailed in the table below.

6.5. LGIM voting in alignment with LAPFF recommendations 80% of the time, opting to vote in line with management for two of the resolutions.

6.6. A couple of shareholder resolutions requesting the development of a Climate Policy were also approved by a majority of shareholders invested in those companies.

Table 1 – Quarter Voting Summary

Company	Description	LAPFF Recommendation	LGIM Vote	AGM Vote Outcome
Barclays	Management resolution on Climate Strategy Report	Against	Against	For (81%)
BP Plc	Management Resolution on Climate Strategy Report	Against	For	For (89%)
Caterpillar Inc	Shareholder resolution requesting the development of a Climate Policy	For	For	For (96%)

Company	Description	LAPFF Recommendation	LGIM Vote	AGM Vote Outcome
Drax Group	Annual report	Against	For	For (99%)
Dollar Tree	Shareholder resolution requesting the development of a Climate Policy	For	For	For (55%)
Electric Power Development	Shareholder resolution requesting the development of a Climate Policy	For	For	Against (74%)
Glencore	Management resolution on Climate Progress Report	Against	Against	For (76%)
Monster Beverage	Shareholder resolution requesting the development of a Climate Policy	For	For	Against
Standard Chartered	Management Resolution on Climate Strategy Report	Against	Against	For (83%)
Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group	Management Resolution on Climate Strategy Report	For	For	Against

7. Contribution to Strategic Outcomes

7.1. Not applicable

8. Statutory Officer Comments (Director of Finance (including procurement), Head of Legal and Governance, Equalities)

Finance and Procurement

8.1. There are no financial implications arising from this report.

Head of Legal and Governance (Monitoring Officer)

8.2. The Assistant Director of Governance has been consulted on the content of this report. There are no specific legal implications arising from this report.

Equalities

8.3. Not applicable.

9. Use of Appendices

9.1. None.

10. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

10.1. Not applicable.