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Report of: Corporate Director of Resources

Meeting of: Pensions Sub-Committee

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Ward(s): n/a

## Subject: Pension Fund Performance 1 January to 31 March 2022

<b>1.</b>	<b>Synopsis</b>
1.1	This is a quarterly report to the Pensions Sub-Committee to allow the Council as administering authority for the Fund to review the performance of the Fund investments at regular intervals and review the investments made by Fund Managers quarterly.
<b>2.</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
2.1	To note the performance of the Fund from 1 January to 31 March 2022 as per BNY Mellon interactive performance report
2.2	To receive the presentation by MJ Hudsons, our independent investment advisers, on our fund managers' quarterly performance attached as Appendix 1.
2.3	To note the LGPS Current Issue - May'22 for information, attached as Appendix 2.
2.4	To receive a presentation from Quinbrook (our renewable infrastructure manager) on current performance and activities and projected cashflow
2.4.1	To consider a re-commitment to their next global fund, Net Zero Power Fund, as per asset allocation i.e. 4% of the whole Fund
2.4.2	Subject to 2.4.1, to delegate responsibility to Officers to complete any due diligence, subscription and legal documentation.
<b>3.</b>	<b>Fund Managers Performance for 1 January to 31 March 2022</b>

3.1	<p>The fund managers' latest quarter net performance figures compared to the benchmark and Mercer ESG ratings is shown in the table below.</p> <p><i>NB: Mercer's ESG ratings provide an assessment of the integration of ESG issues into the investment process and provides an overall rating – ESG 1 is the highest possible rating and ESG 4 is the lowest possible rating. As such, Mercer has provided the latest ESG ratings for the Fund's 9 strategies across equities, fixed income, DGFs, property and private equity.</i></p>
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3.1 Fund Managers	Asset Allocation	Mandate	*Mercer ESG Rating	Latest Quarter Performance (Jan-Mar'22) Gross of fees		12 Months to March 2022-Performance Gross of fees	
				Portfolio	Benchmark	Portfolio	Benchmark
LBI-In House	10.5%	UK equities	N	1.3%	0.5%	12.6%	13.0%
LCIV Sustainable EQ- RBC	10.1%	Global equities	1	-8.5%	-2.4%	9.0%	15.4%
LCIV -Newton	18.0%	Global equities	2	-4.4%	-2.5%	10.5%	12.9%
Legal & General	13.2%	Global equities	1	-2.2%	-2.1%	13.9%	13.9%
BMO Investments-LGM	3.9%	Emerging equities	2	-1.9%	-1.6%	8.6%	8.3%
Aviva (1)	8.4%	UK property	3	3.2%	-8.6% 5.6%	13.9%	-5.8% 23.9%
ColumbiaThreadneedle Investments (TPEN)	5.8%	UK commercial property	2	4.1%	5.6%	23.9%	23.1%
Hearthstone	1.6%	UK residential property	N	0.8%	5.6%	3.8%	23.9%
Standard Life	7.5%	Corporate bonds	2	-6.3%	-6.2%	-5.7%	-5.2%
M&G Alpha Opportunities	4.3%	Multi Asset Credit	N	-0.6%	0.9%	0.8%	3.6%
Schroders	6.4%	Diversified Growth Fund	2	-2.6%	2.9%	3.4%	13.9%
Market value of total fund	£1,784m						

-8.6% & -5.8% = original Gilts benchmark; 5.6% and 23.9% are the IPD All property index; for information

3.2	BNY Mellon our performance monitoring service provider now provides our quarterly interactive performance report. Performance attributions can be generated via their portal if required.														
3.3	<p>The combined fund performance and benchmark for the last quarter ending March 2022 is shown in the table below.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="225 421 1426 658"> <thead> <tr> <th rowspan="2">Combined Fund Performance</th> <th colspan="2">Latest Quarter Performance <b>Gross</b> of fees</th> <th colspan="2">12 Months to March'2022 Performance Gross of fees</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Portfolio %</th> <th>Benchmark %</th> <th>Portfolio %</th> <th>Benchmark %</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td> <td>-1.9</td> <td>-1.6</td> <td>8.6</td> <td>8.3</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Combined Fund Performance	Latest Quarter Performance <b>Gross</b> of fees		12 Months to March'2022 Performance Gross of fees		Portfolio %	Benchmark %	Portfolio %	Benchmark %		-1.9	-1.6	8.6	8.3
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3.4	Copies of the latest quarter fund manager's reports are available to members for information if required.														
3.5	<p><b>Total Fund Position</b> The Islington combined fund absolute performance with the hedge over the 1,3- and 5-year periods to March 2022 is shown in the table below.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="225 1008 1369 1205"> <thead> <tr> <th>Period</th> <th>1 year per annum</th> <th>3 years per annum</th> <th>5 years per annum</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Combined LBI fund performance hedged</td> <td>8.6%</td> <td>9.4%</td> <td>7.8%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Customised benchmark</td> <td>8.3%</td> <td>8.3%</td> <td>6.8%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Period	1 year per annum	3 years per annum	5 years per annum	Combined LBI fund performance hedged	8.6%	9.4%	7.8%	Customised benchmark	8.3%	8.3%	6.8%		
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3.6	<p><b>LCIV RBC Sustainability Fund</b></p> <p>3.6.1 RBC is the fund's global sustainable equity manager on the LCIV platform and was originally appointed in November 2018 to replace our Allianz mandate also on the LCIV platform.</p> <p>3.6.2 LCIV RBC Sustainability was fully funded on 5 August 2019. Mandate guidelines include the following;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The sub fund manager will invest only where they find all four forces of competitive dynamics (business model, market share opportunity, end market growth &amp; management and ESG</li> <li>• Target performance is MSCI World Index +2% p.a. net of fees over a three-year period.</li> <li>• Target tracking error range over three years 2% p.a – 8.0%.</li> <li>• Number of stocks 30 to 70</li> <li>• Active share is 85% to 95%</li> </ul> <p>3.6.3 The fund underperformed its quarterly benchmark to March by -6.0% and a twelve-month under performance of -6.4%. This was driven by security selection where investors favoured high dividend yield and low valuations stocks. The manager has</p>														

	maintained its style away from value factors, investing in quality companies with low debt. However, the manager is refreshing their investment analysis to incorporate the new inflationary and geopolitical dynamics and are repositioning the portfolio accordingly.
3.7	<b>LCIV Newton Investment Management</b>
3.7.1	Newton is the Fund's other global equity manager with an inception date of 1 March 2008. There have been amendments to the mandate the latest being a transfer to the London CIV platform.
3.7.2	The inception date for the LCIV NW Global Equity Fund was 22 May 2017. The new benchmark is the MSCI All Country World Index Total return. The outperformance target is MSCI All Country Index +1.5% per annum net of fees over rolling three- year periods.
3.7.3	The fund returned -4.4% against a benchmark of -2.5% for the March quarter. Since inception, the fund has delivered an absolute return of 12.4%. The underperformance this quarter was attributed to a blend of companies which are expected to grow their profits at a relatively steady pace, more cyclical non-financial companies and banks and insurers which are linked to the interest rate cycle.
3.7.4	Newton have reduced exposure to highly valued growth stocks in favour of companies which can capitalise on strong market positions to benefit from reflation and higher interest rates.
3.8	<b>LBI- In House</b>
3.8.1	Since 1992, the UK equities portfolio of the fund has been managed in-house by officers in the Loans and Investment section by passive tracking of the FTSE 350 Index. The mandate was amended as part of the investment strategy review to now track the FTSE All Share Index within a +/- 0.5% range per annum effective from March 2008. After a review of the Fund's equities' carbon footprint Members agreed to track the FTSE UK All Share Carbon Optimised Index and this became effective in September 2017.
3.8.2	The fund returned 1.3% against FTSE All Share Index benchmark of 0.5% for the March quarter and an absolute performance of 8.4% since inception in 1992. The In-House fund is being prepared to transition to the Paris Aligned index over the summer.
3.9	<b>Legal and General</b>
3.9.1	This is the fund's passive overseas equity index manager. The fund inception date was 8 June 2011, with an initial investment of £67million funded from transfer of assets from AllianzGI (RCM). The funds were managed passively against regional indices to formulate a total FTSE All World Index series. Member agreed restructuring in 2016, and the funding of BMO (our emerging market manager and restructuring of the fund to the MSCI World Low Carbon was completed on 3rd July 2017.
3.9.2	The components of the new mandate as at the end of June inception, was £138m and benchmarked against MSCI World Low Carbon Index and £34m benchmarked against RAFI emerging markets. For this quarter, the fund totalled £236(241.4m) with a performance of -2.1%.

<p>3.10</p> <p>3.10.1</p> <p>3.10.2</p>	<p><b>BMO Global Assets Mgt</b></p> <p>This is the new emerging and frontier equity manager seeded in July 2017 with a total £74.4m withdrawn from LGIM. The mandate details as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A blended portfolio with 85% invested in emerging market and 15% in frontier markets</li> <li>• Target performance MSCI Emerging Markets Index +3.0% (for the global emerging markets strategy)</li> <li>• Expected target tracking error 4-8% p.a</li> <li>• The strategy is likely to have a persistent bias towards profitability, and invests in high quality companies that pay dividends.</li> </ul> <p>The mandate was amended in March'21 when the frontier element was liquidated and \$11.3m was returned.</p> <p>The March quarter saw an out performance of -3.25%. The main drag to performance was lack of exposure to a strong Brazil and middle eastern market and stock selection in China. India and Indonesia exposure was positive.</p> <p>The strategy remains to continue to research new companies that appear worthy of capital and continue to have a close communication with our existing investments to push them to higher business and governance standards which are believed to ultimately enhance long term return.</p>
<p>3.10</p> <p>3.10.1</p> <p>3.10.2</p> <p>3.10.3</p> <p>3.10.4</p>	<p><b>Aviva</b></p> <p>Aviva manages the fund's UK High Lease to Value property portfolio. They were appointed in 2004 and the target of the mandate is to outperform their customised gilts benchmark by 1.5% (net of fees) over the long term. The portfolio is High Lease to Value Property managed under the Lime Property Unit Trust Fund.</p> <p>The fund for this quarter delivered a return of 3.2% against a gilt benchmark of -8.6%. The All Property IPD benchmark returned 5.6% for this quarter. Since inception, the fund has delivered an absolute return of 6.4%</p> <p>As at the end of this March quarter the fund's unexpired average lease term is 21.3 years. The Fund holds 88 assets with 53 tenants.</p> <p>One of Aviva's objectives in its transition strategy to net zero by 2040 is to reduce real estate carbon intensity by 30% and energy intensity by 10%. In 2021, the energy intensity across the portfolio reached 226kWh/m2. To further this progress and achieve the 2025 target of 213kWh/m2, asset managers allocated £29 million towards Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) improvements across the portfolio. The most significant savings will be made through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- LED lighting (expected reduction of 7kWh/m2)</li> <li>- Smart buildings – Electricity and Gas (expected reduction of 8kWh/m2)</li> <li>- Solar panels (expected reduction of 10kWh/m2)</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Columbia Threadneedle Property Pension Limited (TPEN)</b></p>

	<p>This is the fund's UK commercial pooled property portfolio that was fully funded on 14 January 2010 with an initial investment of £45 million. The net asset value at the end of March was £104million.</p> <p>The agreed mandate guidelines are as listed below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Benchmark: AREF/IPD All Balanced Property Fund Index (Weighted Average) since 1 April 2014.</li> <li>• Target Performance: 1.0% p.a. above the benchmark (net of fees) over three year rolling periods.</li> <li>• Portfolio focus is on income generation with c. 75% of portfolio returns expected to come from income over the long term.</li> <li>• Income yield on the portfolio at investment of c.8.5% p.a.</li> <li>• Focus of portfolio is biased towards secondary property markets with high footfall rather than on prime markets such as Central London. The portfolio may therefore lag in speculative/bubble markets or when the property market is driven by capital growth in prime markets.</li> </ul> <p>3.11.3 The fund returned a performance of 4.1% against its benchmark 5.6% for the March quarter. Since inception it has delivered an absolute return of 7.5 per annum.</p> <p>3.11.4 The cash balance now stands at 7.1% compared to 10.3% last quarter. During the quarter, five selective acquisitions and two strategic disposals, were made. There is a strong asset diversification at portfolio level with a total of 273 properties and 1271 tenancies. Rent collection is improving and tenants are being dealt with on a case-by-case basis to enable their viability on the short to medium term.</p> <p>3.11.5 The Fund has set net zero target to neutralise carbon emissions within portfolios by 2050. An income distribution share class is now available for investors who want to draw down income.</p>
3.12	<p><b>Franklin Templeton</b></p>
3.13.1	<p>This is the fund's global property manager appointed in 2010 with an initial investment commitment of £25million. Members agreed in September 2014 to re-commit another \$40million to Fund II to keep our investments at the same level following return of capital through distributions from Fund I. The agreed mandate guidelines are listed below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Benchmark: Absolute return</li> <li>• Target Performance: Net of fees internal rate of return of 15%. Preferred rate of return of 10% p.a. with performance fee only applicable to returns above this point.</li> <li>• Bulk of capital expected to be invested between 2 – 4 years following fund close.</li> <li>• Distributions expected from years 6 – 8, with 100% of capital expected to be returned approximately by year 7.</li> </ul>
3.13.2	<p>Fund I is now fully committed and drawdown. \$3.5m remains undrawn. The final portfolio is comprised of nine funds and five co-investments. The funds are well diversified as shown in table below:</p>

	Commitments	Region	% of Total Fund
	5	Americas	36
	4	Europe	26
	5	Asia	38
	The total distribution received to the end of the March quarter is \$61.8m. The NAV is \$0.8m		
3.13.3	The Fund is in the harvesting phase of its life cycle and continues to benefit from the realization of investments. The COVID-19 pandemic has interrupted progress on real estate business plans across the globe. Our expectation is that the primary effect upon the Fund will be a delay in execution of asset sales.		
3.13.4	Fund II is fully invested and the completed portfolio of 10 holdings consist of a diverse mix of property sectors including office, retail and industrial uses and the invested geographic exposure is 6% Asia, US 26% and 68% Europe. The admission period to accept new commitments from investors was extended with our consent through to June 2017 when it finally closed. The total capital call is \$40m and total distribution of \$33.8m. The NAV is \$19.4m		
3.13.5	<p>Members agreed to commit \$50m to Fund III at the December 2020 meeting and the documentation was finalised in December to meet the final close date. Fund III made its final close on 30<sup>th</sup> December with total equity commitment of \$218m.</p> <p>Current portfolio consist of 5 holdings over a geographic exposure of 77% in Europe and 23% in USA with a 95% vintage in 2019 and 5% in 2021.</p>		
3.13.6	As at the quarter end \$7.8m has been drawdown and a distribution of \$4.0m had been received.		
3.14.	<b>Hearthstone</b>		
3.14.1	<p>This is the fund's residential UK property manager. The fund inception date was 23 April 2013, with an initial investment of £20million funded by withdrawals from our equity's portfolios. The agreed mandate guidelines are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Target performance: UK HPI + 3.75% net income.</li> <li>• Target modern housing with low maintenance characteristics, less than 10 years old.</li> <li>• Assets subject to development risk less than 5% of portfolio.</li> <li>• Regional allocation seeks to replicate distribution of UK housing stock based on data from Academics. Approximately 45% London and Southeast.</li> <li>• 5-6 locations per region are targeted based on qualitative and quantitative assessments and data from Touchstone and Connells.</li> <li>• Preference is for stock, which can be let on Assured Shorthold Tenancies (ASTs) or to companies.</li> <li>• Total returns expected to be between 6.75% and 8.75% p.a., with returns split equally between income and capital growth. Net yields after fund costs of 3.75% p.a.</li> <li>• The fund benchmark is the LSL Academics House Price Index</li> </ul>		

3.14.2	For the March quarter, the value of the fund investment was £28.7million and total funds under management is £72m. Performance net of fees was 0.83% compared to the IPD UK All Property benchmark of 5.6%.
3.14.3	Officers continue to monitor the fund on a quarterly basis with discussions with management. On 1 July as agreed, we switched from our current accumulation share class to an income share class that will enable annual cash dividend distribution. A total of £1million has been drawn down over the last financial year and discussions are ongoing to draw down some more cash in 2022.
3.15	<p><b>Quinbrook Infrastructure</b></p> <p>3.15.1 This one of the infrastructure managers appointed in November 2018. The total fund allocation infrastructure was 10% circa £130m. 40% of the allocation equivalent to \$67m was allocated to low carbon strategy. Merits of Quinbrook include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low carbon strategy, in line with LB Islington’s stated agenda</li> <li>• Very strong wider ESG credentials</li> <li>• 100% drawn in 12-18 months</li> <li>• Minimal blind pool risk</li> <li>• Estimated returns 7%cash yield and 5% capital growth</li> </ul> <p><b>Risks:</b> Key Man risk</p> <p>Drawdown to December 2021 is \$67.0m – this is 100% of our commitment</p> <p>3.15.2 Members should note that with the fund fully drawn down and distributions planned from 2022 to 2024, for Islington to maintain its asset allocation there is an opportunity to commit to the next fund of similar characteristic, The Net Zero Power Fund.</p> <p>3.15.3 The Fund manager has been invited to present to Members on past performance, activities and projected cashflow position for Islington for current fund, as well as pipeline projects for their next fund The Net Zero Power Fund.</p> <p>3.15.4 Members are asked to consider the presentation and decide if the case to re-invest will be beneficial to the Fund objectives and if so delegate responsibility to Officers to complete the fund subscription and any further due diligence. The current fees will remain the same.</p>
3.16.1	<p><b>Pantheon Access-</b> is the other infrastructure manager also appointed in November 2018. Total allocation was \$100m and merits of allocation included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 25% invested with drawdown on day 1</li> <li>• Expect fully drawn within 2-3 years</li> <li>• Good vintage diversification between secondaries and co-investments</li> <li>• Exposure to 150 investments</li> <li>• Estimated return 5% cash yield and 6% capital growth</li> </ul> <p><b>Risks:</b> No primary fund exposure.</p> <p>Drawdown to March 2022 is \$71.65m and distribution of \$14.5m</p>
3.17	<b>Schroders</b>

3.17.1	<p>This is the Fund's diversified growth fund manager. The fund inception date was 1 July 2015, with an initial investment of £100million funded by withdrawals from our equity's portfolios. The agreed mandate guidelines are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Target performance: UK RPI+ 5.0% p.a.,</li> <li>• Target volatility: two thirds of the volatility of global equities, over a full market cycle (typically 5 years).</li> <li>• Aims to invest in a broad range of assets and varies the asset allocation over a market cycle.</li> <li>• The portfolio holds internally managed funds, a selection of externally managed products and some derivatives.</li> <li>• <b>Permissible asset class ranges (%):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 25-75: Equity</li> <li>• 0- 30: Absolute Return</li> <li>• 0- 25: Sovereign Fixed Income, Corporate Bonds, Emerging Market Debt, High Yield Debt, Index-Linked Government Bonds, Cash</li> <li>• 0-20: Commodities, Convertible Bonds</li> <li>• 0- 10: Property, Infrastructure</li> <li>• 0-5: Insurance-Linked Securities, Leveraged Loans, Private Equity.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
3.17.2	<p>The value of the portfolio is now £114.4m. The aim is to participate in equity market rallies, while outperforming in falling equity markets. The March quarter performance before fees was -2.6% against the benchmark of 2.9% (inflation+5%). The performance since inception is 4.6% against benchmark of 8.4% before fees.</p>
3.17.3	<p>Equity positions detracted -2.7% from the total return, alternatives contributed +1.1%, credit and government debt detracted -1.7%, and cash and currency contributed +0.6%.</p>
3.17.4	<p>The new benchmark is effective from 1 April 2022. The current target of RP1+5% will change to ICE BofA Sterling 3-Month Government Bill Index plus 4.5% per annum.</p>
3.18	<p><b>Standard Life</b></p>
3.18.1	<p>Standard Life has been the fund's corporate bond manager since November 2009. Their objective is to outperform the Merrill Lynch UK Non Gilt All Stock Index by 0.8% per annum over a 3 -year rolling period. During the March quarter, the fund returned -6.3% against a benchmark of -6.2% and an absolute return of 5.4% per annum since inception.</p>
3.18.2	<p>Duration positioning was positive, as was stock selection, but this was largely offset by asset allocation.</p>
3.18.3	<p>The agreed infrastructure mandates are being funded from this portfolio and to date £80m has been drawn down.</p>
3.19	<p><b>Passive Hedge</b></p> <p>The fund currently targets to hedge 50% of its overseas equities to the major currencies dollar, euro and yen. The passive hedge is run by BNY Mellon our custodian. At the end of the March quarter, the hedged overseas equities had a negative cash value of £679k</p>

3.19.1	The hedge has now been in place since 25 November 2020 for quarterly hedge rolls
3.20	<p><b>M&amp;G Alpha Opportunities</b></p> <p>This is the multi asset credit manager appointed and funded on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2021. The total allocation is approximately 5% funded mostly from profit made from equity protection in March 2020.</p> <p>The mandate guidelines of M&amp;G include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fund can invest across the full spectrum of developed market corporate credit (IG, HY, Loans) as well as securitised credit (ABS, MBS), some illiquid opportunities and defensive holdings (e.g. cash).</li> <li>• Investment process is predominantly bottom up, with a defensive value style that seeks to buy cheap mispriced securities.</li> <li>• Targets a return of 1 month LIBOR +3% - 5% (gross of fees) over an investment cycle (3-5 years)</li> <li>• No local currency EM debt is permitted</li> <li>• Low level of interest rate duration</li> <li>• Maximum exposure to sub-investment grade credit of 50% of assets,</li> <li>• Focus is primarily on Europe, although there is some exposure to the US (c. 15%).</li> </ul> <p><u>Risk and triggers for review:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Key man - risk</li> <li>• Issues at the firm level</li> <li>• Change in investment process/ structure or risk/return profile of the mandate.</li> <li>• Failure to deliver target return over 3 Year period of Cash +3% - 5% (gross of fees), unless there is a compelling market-based reason for underperformance</li> <li>• Downgrade of Mercer rating lower than B+</li> <li>• Downgrade of Mercer ESG rating lower than ESG3.</li> <li>• Long term trend of staff turnover and changes within the investment team.</li> </ul>
3.20.1	The March quarter performance was -0.64% against a benchmark of 0.9% and since inception an underperformance of -2.6%. Exposure to industrial corporate bonds was the top detractor, with financial corporate bonds and yield curve & currency hedging also performing poorly.
<b>4.</b>	<b>Implications</b>
4.1	<p><b>Financial implications:</b></p> <p>The fund actuary takes investment performance into account when assessing the employer contributions payable, at the triennial valuation.</p> <p>Fund management and administration fees and related cost are charged to the pension fund.</p>
4.2	<p><b>Legal Implications:</b></p> <p>As the administering authority for the Fund, the Council must review the performance of the Fund investments at regular intervals and review the investments made by Fund Managers quarterly.</p>
4.3	<p><b>Equality Impact Assessment:</b></p> <p>The Council must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation, and to advance equality of</p>

	<p>opportunity, and foster good relations, between those who share a relevant protected characteristic and those who do not share it (section 149 Equality Act 2010). The Council has a duty to have due regard to the need to remove or minimise disadvantages, take steps to meet needs, in particular steps to take account of disabled persons' disabilities, and encourage people to participate in public life. The Council must have due regard to the need to tackle prejudice and promote understanding".</p> <p>An equalities impact assessment has not been conducted because this report is an update on performance of existing fund managers and there are no equalities issues arising.</p>
4.4	<p><b>Environmental Implications and contribution to achieving a net zero carbon Islington by 2030:</b></p> <p>Environmental implications will be included in each report to the Pensions-sub committee as necessary. The current agreed investment strategy statement for pensions outlines the policies and targets set to April 2022 to reduce the current and future carbon exposure by 50% and 75% respectively compared to when it was measured in 2016 and also invest 15% of the fund in green opportunities. The link to the full document is:</p> <p><a href="https://www.islington.gov.uk/~media/sharepoint-lists/public-records/finance/financialmanagement/adviceandinformation/20192020/20190910londonboroughofislingtonpensionfundinvestmentstrategystatement.pdf">https://www.islington.gov.uk/~media/sharepoint-lists/public-records/finance/financialmanagement/adviceandinformation/20192020/20190910londonboroughofislingtonpensionfundinvestmentstrategystatement.pdf</a></p>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Conclusion and reasons for recommendations</b>
5.1	<p>Members are asked to note the performance of the fund for the quarter ending March 2022 as part of the regular monitoring of fund performance and Appendix 1- MJ Hudson commentary on managers. The May'22 edition of LGPS Current Issue is attached as Appendix 2 for information.</p> <p>Members are asked to receive presentation from Quinbrook (renewable infrastructure manager) and consider a re-invest commitment to The Net Zero Power Fund.</p>

**Appendices:** Appendix 1 – MJ Hudson Fund Mgr monitoring report  
Appendix 2- LGPS Current Issues- May 2022.

**Background papers:**

1. Quarterly management reports from the Fund Managers to the Pension Fund.
2. Quarterly performance monitoring statistics for the Pension Fund – BNY Mellon

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