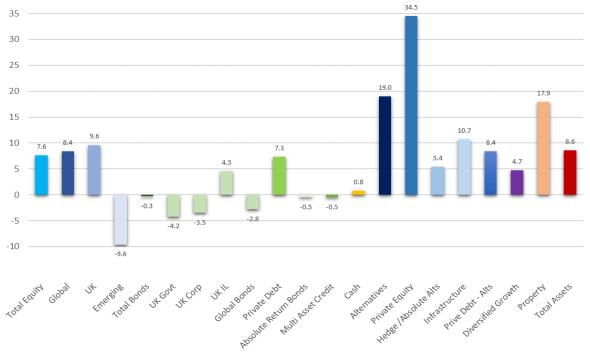


#### Islington Pension Fund Performance to March 2022



# Universe Returns 2021/22



- Last year the average Fund returned 8.6%, with 50% of Funds delivering a return between 6% and 10%.
- Developed equities performed well until the first Quarter of 2022 when the Ukraine war and fear of resulting inflation weighed heavily and markets fell.
- Over the twelve months however, developed markets were positive. Emerging markets, battered by a strong US Dollar and the continuing impact of COVID were the worst performing of all asset classes.
- Bond markets delivered negative results for the year, only inflation linked and private debt making it onto positive territory.
- Strong results were delivered from alternative assets. Private equity once again delivering outstanding returns. Property too continued to do well, returning almost 18%



## **Universe Asset Allocation**

	End March		
% Allocation	2021	2022	Change
Equities	56	52	-4
UK	10	10	0
Overseas	46	42	-4
Bonds	17	18	1
UK	7	8	1
Global	2	1	-1
Absolute Return	5	4	-1
Multi Asset Credit	3	4	1
Private Debt	1	1	0
Cash	2	2	0
Alternatives	14	17	3
Private Equity	7	8	1
Infrastructure	5	6	1
Absolute Return	2	2	0
Private Debt	1	1	0
Diversified Growth	2	2	0
Property	8	9	1

• Over the year there was further disinvestment from Equities into 'diversifying' assets.

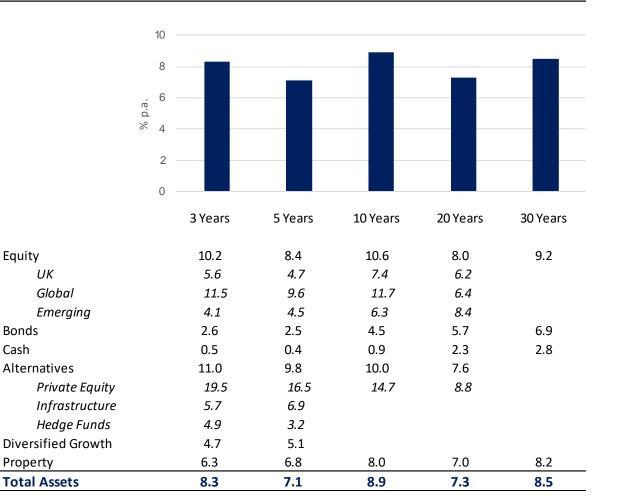
• Within Equities there was a continuation of the move started the previous year into 'climate aware' investments.

• Most portfolio changes through the year reflected the ongoing move into Pool sub-funds.



## Universe Longer Term Results

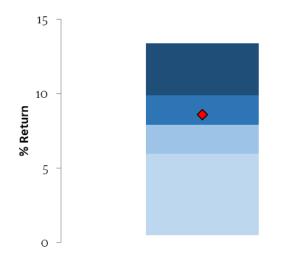
Long Term Asset Returns (% p.a.)





#### Performance

#### Fund Performance Within Universe Range of Results



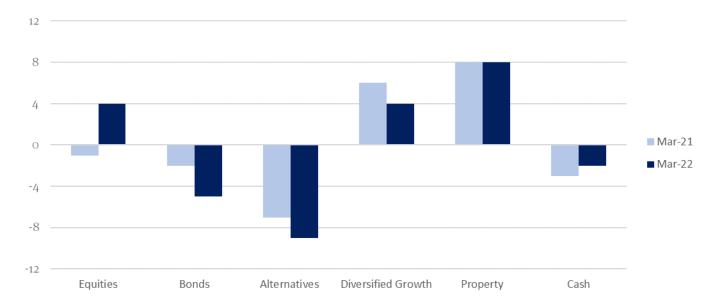
The figure shows the Fund return within the range of results achieved by the LGPS Universe in the latest year. The returns are divided into quarters (quartiles) and the fund is shown as a red diamond.

- The average Fund returned 8.6% with most funds returning between 6% and 10%.
- In the latest year the Fund return of 8.6% was in line with the average.
- The return was ahead of the Median of 8.0% and ranked in the 43rd percentile.



# **Fund Asset Allocation**

Asset Allocation Relative to Universe Average



- The Fund is structured quite differently from the average.
- The key difference is the higher commitment to Property and low exposure to Alternative assets.
- Last year this structure had a small positive impact on relative performance.

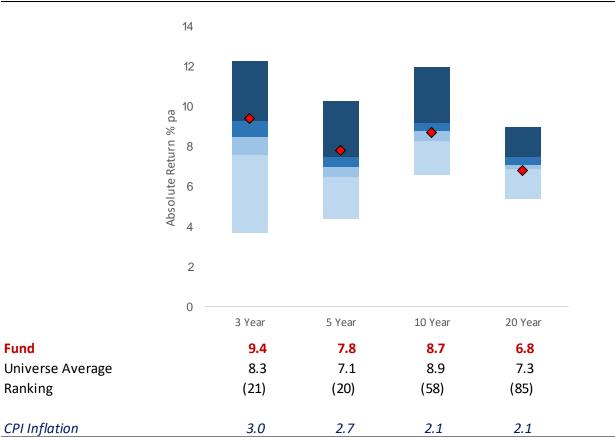


Fund

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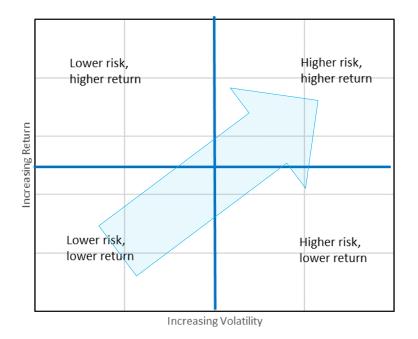
# Fund Longer Term Performance

#### Longer Term Returns and Rankings





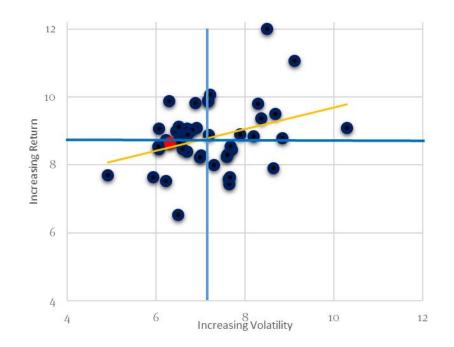
# **Risk and Reward**



- Within investments there is always a trade-off between risk and return. Normally the higher a return that is being looked for the more volatility the Fund must expect.
- On the following pages there is little benefit for additional volatility over the last five years as shown by orange trend line but over the last ten years accepting more volatility has delivered a greater reward.
- The blue dots show the Funds in the Universe in risk / return space.



# Fund Risk and Return – Ten Years

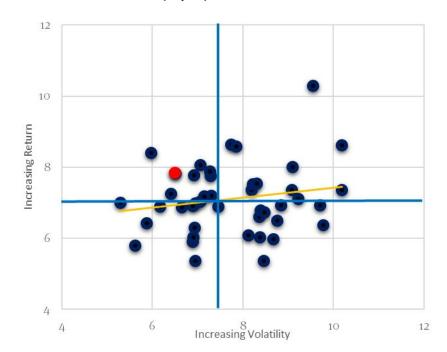


• Over the last ten years the Fund (red dot) had delivered a return just below average but at a much lower level of volatility.

Last Ten Years (% p.a.)



# Fund Risk And Return – Five Years



• In the last five years the Fund (red dot) has delivered a well above average return at a much lower than average level of volatility – a very efficient result.

Last Five Years (% p.a.)

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