

Implementation Statement, covering the Scheme Year from 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020

The Trustees of the Lincoln's Inn Staff Pension Scheme (the "Scheme") are required to produce a yearly statement to set out how, and the extent to which, the Trustees have followed the voting and engagement policies in their Statement of Investment Principles ("SIP") during the Scheme Year. This is provided in Section 1 below.

The Statement is also required to include a description of the voting behaviour during the Scheme Year by, and on behalf of, trustees (including the most significant votes cast by trustees or on their behalf) and state any use of the services of a proxy voter during that year. This is provided in Section 3 below.

1. Introduction

No review of the SIP was undertaken during the Scheme Year. The last time the SIP was formally reviewed was September 2019.

The Trustees have, in their opinion, followed the policies in the Scheme's SIP during the Scheme Year. The following Sections provide detail and commentary about how and the extent to which they did this.

No changes were made to the voting and engagement policies in the SIP during the Scheme Year. The last time these policies were formally reviewed was September 2019.

The Trustees have, in their opinion, followed the Scheme's voting and engagement policies during the Scheme Year, by continuing to delegate to their investment managers the exercise of rights and engagement activities in relation to investments, as well as seeking to appoint managers that have strong stewardship policies and processes. The Trustees took a number of steps to review the Scheme's existing managers and funds over the period, as described in Section 2 (Voting and engagement) below.

2. Voting and engagement

As part of its advice on the selection and ongoing review of the investment managers, the Scheme's investment adviser, LCP, incorporates its assessment of the nature and effectiveness of managers' approaches to voting and engagement.

In December 2020, the Trustees reviewed LCP's responsible investment (RI) scores for the Scheme's existing manager and funds, along with LCP's qualitative RI assessments for each fund and red flags for any managers of concern. These scores cover the approach to ESG factors, voting and engagement. The fund scores and assessments are based on LCP's ongoing manager research programme and it is these that directly affect LCP's manager and fund recommendations. The manager scores and red flags are based on LCP's Responsible Investment Survey 2020.

The Trustees were satisfied with the results of the review and no further action was taken.

3. Description of voting behaviour during the Scheme Year

All of the Trustees' holdings in listed equities are within pooled funds and the Trustees have delegated to their investment managers the exercise of voting rights. Therefore the Trustees are not able to direct how votes are exercised and the Trustees themselves have not used proxy voting services over the Scheme Year.

In this section we have sought to include voting data on the Scheme's funds that hold equities as follows. All of the Scheme's funds are managed by Legal & General Investment Management ("LGIM"):

- LGIM UK Equity Index Fund
- LGIM Global Equity (ex UK) Fixed Weights Equity Index Fund
- LGIM World Emerging Markets Equity Index Fund

In addition to the above, the Trustees contacted the Scheme's asset manager about the funds that don't hold listed equities, to ask if any of the assets held by the Scheme had voting opportunities over the period. No votes were disclosed for these funds.

3.1 Description of the voting processes

Legal & General

LGIM's voting and engagement activities are driven by ESG (environmental, social and governance) professionals and their assessment of the requirements in these areas seeks to achieve the best outcome for all their clients. LGIM's voting policies are reviewed annually and take into account feedback from their clients.

Every year, LGIM holds a stakeholder roundtable event where clients and other stakeholders (civil society, academia, the private sector and fellow investors) are invited to express their views directly to the members of the Investment Stewardship team. The views expressed by attendees during this event form a key consideration as they continue to develop our voting and engagement policies and define strategic priorities in the years ahead. They also take into account client feedback received at regular meetings and/ or ad-hoc comments or enquiries.

All decisions are made by LGIM's Investment Stewardship team and in accordance with LGIM's relevant Corporate Governance & Responsible Investment and Conflicts of Interest policy documents which are reviewed annually. Each member of the team is allocated a specific sector globally so that the voting is undertaken by the same individuals who engage with the relevant company. This ensures their stewardship approach flows smoothly throughout the engagement and voting process and that engagement is fully integrated into the vote decision process, therefore sending consistent messaging to companies.

3.2 Summary of voting behaviour over the Scheme Year

A summary of voting behaviour over the period is provided in the table below.

	Fund 1	Fund 2	Fund 3
Manager name	Legal & General Investment Management	Legal & General Investment Management	Legal & General Investment Management
Fund name	UK Equity Index Fund	Global Equity (ex UK) Fixed Weights Equity Index Fund	World Emerging Markets Equity Index Fund
Total size of fund at end of reporting period	£21,852m	£41m	£7,672m
Value of Scheme assets at end of reporting period (£ / % of total assets)	£8.0m / 30% of total assets	£8.1m / 30% of total assets	£2.7m / 10% of total assets
Number of holdings at end of reporting period	597	2,012	1,856
Number of meetings eligible to vote	894	2,495	3,778
Number of resolutions eligible to vote	12,468	30,147	34,537
% of resolutions voted	100.00%	99.96%	99.87%
Of the resolutions on which voted, % voted with management	93.12%	79.60%	85.53%
Of the resolutions on which voted, % voted against management	6.87%	20.26%	12.99%
Of the resolutions on which voted, % abstained from voting	0.01%	0.14%	1.48%
Of the meetings in which the manager voted, % with at least one vote against management	3.24%	6.42%	4.90%
Of the resolutions on which the manager voted, % voted	0.77%	0.27%	0.02%

3.3 Most significant votes over the year

Commentary on the most significant votes over the period, from the Scheme's asset manager who holds listed equities, is set out below. We have asked LGIM to comment on votes that they believe to be significant. LGIM stated:

"As regulation on vote reporting has recently evolved with the introduction of the concept of 'significant vote' by the EU Shareholder Rights Directive II, LGIM wants to ensure we continue to help our clients in fulfilling their reporting obligations. We also believe public transparency of our vote activity is critical for our clients and interested parties to hold us to account.

For many years, LGIM has regularly produced case studies and/ or summaries of LGIM's vote positions to clients for what we deemed were 'material votes'. We are evolving our approach in line with the new regulation and are committed to provide our clients access to 'significant vote' information.

In determining significant votes, LGIM's Investment Stewardship team takes into account the criteria provided by the Pensions & Lifetime Savings Association (PLSA) guidance. This includes but is not limited to:

- High profile vote which has such a degree of controversy that there is high client and/ or public scrutiny;*
- Significant client interest for a vote: directly communicated by clients to the Investment Stewardship team at LGIM's annual Stakeholder roundtable event, or where we note a significant increase in requests from clients on a particular vote;*
- Sanction vote as a result of a direct or collaborative engagement;*
- Vote linked to an LGIM engagement campaign, in line with LGIM Investment Stewardship's 5-year ESG priority engagement themes.*

We provide information on significant votes in the format of detailed case studies in our quarterly ESG impact report and annual active ownership publications.

The vote information is updated on a daily basis and with a lag of one day after a shareholder meeting is held. We also provide the rationale for all votes cast against management, including votes of support to shareholder resolutions.

If you have any additional questions on specific votes, please note that LGIM publicly discloses its vote instructions on our website at: <https://vds.issgovernance.com/vds/#/MjU2NQ==>

3.3.1 LGIM UK Equity Index Fund

Company name	International Consolidated Airlines Group
Date of vote	07-Sep-20
Summary of the resolution	'Resolution 8: Approve Remuneration Report' was proposed at the company's annual shareholder meeting held on 7 September 2020.
How you voted	LGIM voted against the resolution.
Where you voted against management, did you communicate your intent to the company ahead of the vote?	LGIM publicly communicates its vote instructions in monthly regional vote reports on its website with the rationale for all votes against management. It is our policy not to engage with our investee companies in the three weeks prior to an AGM as our engagement is not limited to shareholder meeting topics.
Rationale for the voting decision	The COVID-19 crisis and its consequences on international transport have negatively impacted this airline company's financial performance and business model. At the end of March 2020, LGIM addressed a private letter to the company to state our support during the pandemic. We also encouraged the board to demonstrate restraint and discretion with its executive remuneration. As a result of the crisis, the company took up support under various government schemes. The company also announced a 30% cut to its workforce. On the capital allocation front, the company decided to withdraw its dividend for 2020 and sought shareholder approval for a rights issue of €2.75 billion at its 2020 AGM in order to strengthen its balance sheet. The remuneration report for the financial year to 31 December 2019 was also submitted to a shareholder vote. We were concerned about the level of bonus payments, which are 80% to 90% of their

	<p>salary for current executives and 100% of their salary for the departing CEO. We noted that the executive directors took a 20% reduction to their basic salary from 1 April 2020. However, whilst the bonuses were determined at the end of February 2020 and paid in respect of the financial year end to December 2019, LGIM would have expected the remuneration committee to exercise greater discretion in light of the financial situation of the company, and also to reflect the stakeholder experience (employees and shareholders). Over the past few years, we have been closely engaging with the company, including on the topic of the succession of the CEO and the board chair, who were long-tenured. This engagement took place privately in meetings with the board chair and the senior independent director. This eventually led to a success, as the appointment of a new CEO to replace the long-standing CEO was announced in January 2020. A new board chair: an independent non-executive director, was also recently appointed by the board. He will be starting his new role in January 2021.</p>
Outcome of the vote	28.4% of shareholders opposed the remuneration report.
Implications of the outcome eg were there any lessons learned and what likely future steps will you take in response to the outcome?	LGIM will continue to engage closely with the renewed board.
On which criteria (as explained in the cover email) have you assessed this vote to be "most significant"?	LGIM considers this vote significant as it illustrates the importance for investors of monitoring our investee companies' responses to the COVID crisis.

Company name	Pearson
Date of vote	18-Sep-20
Summary of the resolution	'Resolution 1: Amend remuneration policy' was proposed at the company's special shareholder meeting, held on 18 September 2020.
How you voted	LGIM voted against the amendment to the remuneration policy.
Where you voted against management, did you communicate your intent to the company ahead of the vote?	LGIM publicly communicates its vote instructions in monthly regional vote reports on its website with the rationale for all votes against management. It is our policy not to engage with our investee companies in the three weeks prior to an AGM as our engagement is not limited to shareholder meeting topics.
Rationale for the voting decision	<p>Pearson issued a series of profit warnings under its previous CEO. Yet shareholders have been continuously supportive of the company, believing that there is much value to be gained from new leadership and a fresh approach to their strategy. However, the company decided to put forward an all-or-nothing proposal in the form of an amendment to the company's remuneration policy. This resolution at the extraordinary general meeting (EGM) was seeking shareholder approval for the grant of a co-investment award, an unusual step for a UK company, yet if this resolution was not passed the company confirmed that the proposed new CEO would not take up the CEO role. This is an unusual approach and many shareholders felt backed into a corner, whereby they were keen for the company to appoint a new CEO, but were not happy with the plan being proposed. However, shareholders were not able to vote separately on the two distinctly different items, and felt forced to accept a less-than-ideal remuneration structure for the new CEO. LGIM spoke with the chair of the board earlier this year, on the board's succession plans and progress for the new CEO. We also discussed the shortcomings of the company's current remuneration policy. We also spoke with the chair directly before the EGM, and relayed our concerns that the performance conditions were weak and should be re-visited, to strengthen the financial underpinning of the new CEO's award. We also asked that the post-exit shareholding requirements were reviewed to be brought into line with our expectations for UK companies. In the absence of any changes, LGIM took the decision to vote against the amendment to the remuneration policy.</p>
Outcome of the vote	At the EGM, 33% of shareholders voted against the co-investment plan and therefore, by default, the appointment of the new CEO.
Implications of the outcome eg were there any lessons learned and what likely future steps will you take in response to the outcome?	Such significant dissent clearly demonstrates the scale of investor concern with the company's approach. It is important that the company has a new CEO, a crucial step in the journey to recover value; but key governance questions remain which will now need to be addressed through continuous engagement.

On which criteria (as explained in the cover email) have you assessed this vote to be "most significant"?	Pearson has had strategy difficulties in recent years and is a large and well-known UK company. Given the unusual approach taken by the company and our outstanding concerns, we deem this vote to be significant.
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Company name	SIG plc.
Date of vote	09-Jul-20
Summary of the resolution	'Resolution 5: Approve one-off payment to Steve Francis' proposed at the company's special shareholder meeting held on 9 July 2020.
How you voted	LGIM voted against the resolution.
Where you voted against management, did you communicate your intent to the company ahead of the vote?	LGIM publicly communicates its vote instructions in monthly regional vote reports on its website with the rationale for all votes against management. It is our policy not to engage with our investee companies in the three weeks prior to an AGM as our engagement is not limited to shareholder meeting topics.
Rationale for the voting decision	The company wanted to grant their interim CEO a one-off award of £375,000 for work carried out over a two-month period (February - April). The CEO agreed to invest £150,000 of this payment in acquiring shares in the business, and the remaining £225,000 would be a cash payment. The additional payment was subject to successfully completing a capital-raising exercise to improve the liquidity of the business. The one-off payment was outside the scope of their remuneration policy and on top of his existing remuneration, and therefore needed shareholder support for its payment. LGIM does not generally support one-off payments. We believe that the remuneration committee should ensure that executive directors have a remuneration policy in place that is appropriate for their role and level of responsibility. This should negate the need for additional one-off payments. In this instance, there were other factors that were taken into consideration. The size of the additional payment was a concern because it was for work carried over a two-month period, yet was equivalent to 65% of his full-time annual salary. £225,000 was to be paid in cash at a time when the company's liquidity position was so poor that it risked breaching covenants of a revolving credit facility and therefore needed to raise additional funding through a highly dilutive share issue.
Outcome of the vote	The resolution passed. However, 44% of shareholders did not support it. We believe that with this level of dissent the company should not go ahead with the payment.
Implications of the outcome eg were there any lessons learned and what likely future steps will you take in response to the outcome?	We intend to engage with the company over the coming year to find out why this payment was deemed appropriate and whether they made the payment despite the significant opposition.
On which criteria (as explained in the cover email) have you assessed this vote to be "most significant"?	The vote is high-profile and controversial.

Company name	Barclays
Date of vote	07-May-20
Summary of the resolution	'Resolution 29 - Approve Barclays' Commitment in Tackling Climate Change Resolution 30 - Approve ShareAction Requisitioned Resolution
How you voted	LGIM voted for resolution 29, proposed by Barclays and for resolution 30, proposed by ShareAction.
Where you voted against management, did you communicate your intent to the company ahead of the vote?	LGIM publicly communicates its vote instructions in monthly regional vote reports on its website with the rationale for all votes against management. It is our policy not to engage with our investee companies in the three weeks prior to an AGM as our engagement is not limited to shareholder meeting topics.
Rationale for the voting decision	The resolution proposed by Barclays sets out its long-term plans and has the backing of ShareAction and co-filers. We are particularly grateful to the Investor Forum for the significant role it played in coordinating this outcome.
Outcome of the vote	Resolution 29 - supported by 99.9% of shareholders Resolution 30 - supported by 23.9% of shareholders (source: Company website)
Implications of the outcome eg were there any lessons	The hard work is just beginning. Our focus will now be to help Barclays on the detail of their plans and targets, more detail of which is to be published this year. We plan to

learned and what likely future steps will you take in response to the outcome?	continue to work closely with the Barclays board and management team in the development of their plans and will continue to liaise with ShareAction, Investor Forum, and other large investors, to ensure a consistency of messaging and to continue to drive positive change.
On which criteria (as explained in the cover email) have you assessed this vote to be "most significant"?	Since the beginning of the year there has been significant client interest in our voting intentions and engagement activities in relation to the 2020 Barclays AGM. We thank our clients for their patience and understanding while we undertook sensitive discussions and negotiations in private. We consider the outcome to be extremely positive for all parties: Barclays, ShareAction and long-term asset owners such as our clients.

Company name	Rank Group
Date of vote	11-Nov-20
Summary of the resolution	'Resolution 2: Approve the remuneration report'; and 'Resolution 3: Approve remuneration policy'.
How you voted	LGIM supported both resolutions.
Where you voted against management, did you communicate your intent to the company ahead of the vote?	LGIM publicly communicates its vote instructions on its website with the rationale for all votes against management. It is our policy not to engage with our investee companies in the three weeks prior to an AGM as our engagement is not limited to shareholder meeting topics.
Rationale for the voting decision	The company and its stakeholders have been impacted by the COVID crisis. As an active owner and responsible investor, LGIM wants to ensure this is reflected in the executive remuneration package paid for this year. In addition, in 2018 the company granted 'block awards' long-term incentives (LTI) to the executives and committed not to grant any LTI awards until financial year 2022. After review of the remuneration policy, the remuneration committee asked shareholders to adopt a new LTI structure with the first award under this plan to be made in the 2021 financial year. We decided to support the remuneration report, which looks back at the remuneration earned during the financial year. We noted the remuneration committee's decision to apply a 20% deduction and cancel the planned increase of salaries of the executives and fees of the board members. No annual bonus was granted, given the performance of the company. LGIM was comfortable that the impact of COVID-19 had been appropriately reflected in the remuneration of the executives and therefore decided to support the remuneration report. Regarding the remuneration policy, our direct engagement with the company allowed us to better understand the rationale for the proposed changes to the LTIP. We took into account their concerns around retention, and the fact that there would be a substantial gap in the vesting of any long-term incentives if this plan was not approved. Notably, that the structure of the proposed LTIP was in line with LGIM's remuneration principles.
Outcome of the vote	90.79% of shareholders supported resolution 2 and 96.4% supported resolution 3. However, it should be noted that a majority shareholder owned 56.15% of the voting rights shortly before the time of the vote. This remains an interesting outcome given the recommendation of a vote against both resolutions by influential proxy voting agency ISS.
Implications of the outcome eg were there any lessons learned and what likely future steps will you take in response to the outcome?	Our engagement with the company on the topic of remuneration led to an informed vote decision by LGIM.
On which criteria (as explained in the cover email) have you assessed this vote to be "most significant"?	It illustrates the complexity of remuneration practices and the importance of engagement. The media also expected this shareholder meeting would trigger a substantial amount of votes against.

Company name	Plus500 Ltd.
Date of vote	16-Sep-20
Summary of the resolution	'Resolution 17: Approve Special Bonus Payment to CFO Elad Even-Chen' at the company's special shareholder meeting held on 16 September 2020.
How you voted	LGIM voted against the special bonus based on the belief that such transaction bonuses do not align with the achievement of pre-set targets. Separately, LGIM also

	voted against an amendment to the company's remuneration policy, which continues to allow for the flexibility to make one-off awards and offers long-term incentives that remain outside best market practice in terms of long-term performance alignment.
Where you voted against management, did you communicate your intent to the company ahead of the vote?	Given our concerns, LGIM directly notified the company of its vote intentions before the shareholder meeting.
Rationale for the voting decision	At its AGM on 16 September 2020, Plus500 proposed a number of pay-related proposals for shareholder approval. Amongst these, the board recommended the approval of a substantial discretionary bonus offered to the CFO of around ₪4.2 million (around \$1.2 million), for his successful work with Israeli tax authorities over a number of years, resulting in a significant tax-saving for shareholders. The bonus is in addition to his annual variable pay and outside the normal bonus structure. LGIM does not support one-off discretionary bonuses (or transaction bonuses) as these are not within the approved policy to reward the achievement of pre-set targets. Moreover, discussions with tax authorities and the obtaining of preferential tax structures for the company are seen as part of a CFO's day-to-day job and should not be remunerated separately. Instead, a preferential tax treatment will benefit future performance and will therefore be rewarded within annual bonus and long-term incentives in future performance years.
Outcome of the vote	Given the level of shareholder dissent, Resolution 17 was withdrawn ahead of the AGM, while all the other resolutions were passed. The company stated that: 'The board and the remuneration committee consider that a bonus is appropriate given the outstanding efforts of [the CFO]. As such, Plus500 intends to again propose the resolution for shareholder approval at the EGM to cover 2021 director pay (as is required under Israeli law).
Implications of the outcome eg were there any lessons learned and what likely future steps will you take in response to the outcome?	We will continue to monitor the company.
On which criteria (as explained in the cover email) have you assessed this vote to be "most significant"?	There was a level of media interest regarding the withdrawal of the resolution. This, combined with the other shortcomings of this company in relation to the expectations of a company listed in London, make this a significant vote. Shareholder dissent to the resolution was sufficiently high that the proposal was withdrawn ahead of the AGM; this will result in the company being included in the UK Investment Association's Public Register.

3.3.2 LGIM Global Equity (ex UK) Fixed Weighted Index Fund

Company name	Qantas Airways Limited
Date of vote	23-Oct-20
Summary of the resolution	'Resolution 3: Approve participation of Alan Joyce in the Long-Term Incentive Plan' 'Resolution 4: Approve Remuneration Report'.
How you voted	LGIM voted against resolution 3 and supported resolution 4.
Where you voted against management, did you communicate your intent to the company ahead of the vote?	Given our engagement, LGIM's Investment Stewardship team communicated the voting decision directly to the company before the AGM and provided feedback to the remuneration committee.

Rationale for the voting decision	The COVID crisis has had an impact on the Australian airline company's financials. In light of this, the company raised significant capital to be able to execute its recovery plan. It also cancelled dividends, terminated employees and accepted government assistance. The circumstances triggered extra scrutiny from LGIM as we wanted to ensure the impact of the COVID crisis on the company's stakeholders was appropriately reflected in the executive pay package. In collaboration with our Active Equities team, LGIM's Investment Stewardship team engaged with the Head of Investor Relations of the company to express our concerns and understand the company's views. The voting decision ultimately sat with the Investment Stewardship team. We supported the remuneration report (resolution 4) given the executive salary cuts, short-term incentive cancellations and the CEO's voluntary decision to defer the vesting of the long-term incentive plan (LTIP), in light of the pandemic. However, our concerns as to the quantum of the 2021 LTIP grant remained, especially given the share price at the date of the grant and the remuneration committee not being able to exercise discretion on LTIPs, which is against best practice. We voted against resolution 3 to signal our concerns.
Outcome of the vote	About 90% of shareholders supported resolution 3 and 91% supported resolution 4. The meeting results highlight LGIM's stronger stance on the topic of executive remuneration, in our view.
Implications of the outcome were there any lessons learned and what likely future steps will you take in response to the outcome?	We will continue our engagement with the company.
On which criteria (as explained in the cover email) have you assessed this vote to be "most significant"?	It highlights the challenges of factoring in the impact of the COVID situation into the executive remuneration package.

Company name	Whitehaven Coal
Date of vote	22-Oct-20
Summary of the resolution	'Resolution 6: Approve capital protection'. Shareholders are asking the company for a report on the potential wind-down of the company's coal operations, with the potential to return increasing amounts of capital to shareholders.
How you voted	LGIM voted for the resolution.
Where you voted against management, did you communicate your intent to the company ahead of the vote?	LGIM publicly communicates its vote instructions on its website with the rationale for all votes against management. It is our policy not to engage with our investee companies in the three weeks prior to an AGM as our engagement is not limited to shareholder meeting topics.
Rationale for the voting decision	The role of coal in the future energy mix is increasingly uncertain, due to the competitiveness of renewable energy, as well as increased regulation: in Q4 2020 alone three of Australia's main export markets for coal - Japan, South Korea and China - have announced targets for carbon neutrality around 2050. LGIM has publicly advocated for a 'managed decline' for fossil fuel companies, in line with global climate targets, with capital being returned to shareholders instead of spent on diversification and growth projects that risk becoming stranded assets. As the most polluting fossil fuel, the phase-out of coal will be key to reaching these global targets.
Outcome of the vote	The resolution did not pass, as a relatively small amount of shareholders (4%) voted in favour. However, the environmental profile of the company continues to remain in the spotlight: in late 2020 the company pleaded guilty to 19 charges for breaching mining laws that resulted in significant environmental harm. As the company is on LGIM's Future World Protection List of exclusions, many of our ESG-focused funds and select exchange-traded funds were not invested in the company.
Implications of the outcome were there any lessons learned and what likely future steps will you take in response to the outcome?	LGIM will continue to monitor this company.
On which criteria (as explained in the cover email) have you assessed	The vote received media scrutiny and is emblematic of a growing wave of green shareholder activism.

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Company name	Lagardere
Date of vote	05-May-20
Summary of the resolution	Shareholder resolutions A to P. Activist Amber Capital, which owned 16% of the share capital at the time of engagement, proposed 8 new directors to the Supervisory Board (SB) of Lagardere, as well as to remove all the incumbent directors (apart from two 2019 appointments).
How you voted	LGIM voted in favour of five of the Amber-proposed candidates (resolutions H,J,K,L,M) and voted off five of the incumbent Lagardere SB directors (resolutions B,C,E,F,G).
Where you voted against management, did you communicate your intent to the company ahead of the vote?	LGIM publicly communicates its vote instructions in monthly regional vote reports on its website with the rationale for all votes against management. It is our policy not to engage with our investee companies in the three weeks prior to an AGM as our engagement is not limited to shareholder meeting topics.
Rationale for the voting decision	Proposals by Amber were due to the opinion that the company strategy was not creating value for shareholders, that the board members were not sufficiently challenging management on strategic decisions, and for various governance failures. The company continues to have a commandite structure; a limited partnership, which means that the managing partner has a tight grip on the company, despite only having 7 % share capital and 11% voting rights. LGIM engages with companies on their strategies, any lack of challenge to these, and with governance concerns. The company strategy had not been value-enhancing and the governance structure of the company was not allowing the SB to challenge management on this. Where there is a proxy contest, LGIM engages with both the activist and the company to understand both perspectives. LGIM engaged with both Amber Capital, where we were able to speak to the proposed new SB Chair, and also Lagardere, where we spoke to the incumbent SB Chair. This allowed us to gain direct perspectives from the individual charged with ensuring their board includes the right individuals to challenge management.
Outcome of the vote	Even though shareholders did not give majority support to Amber's candidates, its proposed resolutions received approx. between 30-40% support, a clear indication that many shareholders have concerns with the board. (Source: ISS data)
Implications of the outcome eg were there any lessons learned and what likely future steps will you take in response to the outcome?	LGIM will continue to engage with the company to understand its future strategy and how it will add value to shareholders over the long term, as well as to keep the structure of SB under review.
On which criteria (as explained in the cover email) have you assessed this vote to be "most significant"?	LGIM noted significant media and public interest on this vote given the proposed revocation of the company's board.

Company name	Medtronic plc
Date of vote	11-Dec-20
Summary of the resolution	'Resolution 3 - Advisory Vote to Ratify Named Executive Officers' Compensation.
How you voted	LGIM voted against the resolution.
Where you voted against management, did you communicate your intent to the company ahead of the vote?	LGIM publicly communicates its vote instructions on its website with the rationale for all votes against management. It is our policy not to engage with our investee companies in the three weeks prior to an AGM as our engagement is not limited to shareholder meeting topics.
Rationale for the voting decision	Following the end of the financial year, executive directors were granted a special, one-off award of stock options to compensate for no bonus being paid out during the financial year. LGIM voted against the one-off payment as we are not supportive of one-off awards in general and in particular when these are awarded to compensate for a payment for which the performance criterion/criteria were not met. Prior to the AGM we engaged with the company and clearly communicated our concerns over one-off payments.
Outcome of the vote	The voting outcome was as follows: For: 91.73%; against: 8.23%.

Implications of the outcome eg were there any lessons learned and what likely future steps will you take in response to the outcome?	LGIM will continue to monitor this company.
On which criteria (as explained in the cover email) have you assessed this vote to be "most significant"?	We believe it is contrary to best practice in general and our pay principles in particular to award one-off awards, especially if they are to compensate for a forgone payment.

Company name	Olympus Corporation
Date of vote	30-Jul-20
Summary of the resolution	'Resolution 3.1: Elect Director Takeuchi, Yasuo' at the company's annual shareholder meeting held on 30 July 2020.
How you voted	LGIM voted against the resolution.
Where you voted against management, did you communicate your intent to the company ahead of the vote?	LGIM publicly communicates its vote instructions in monthly regional vote reports on its website with the rationale for all votes against management. It is our policy not to engage with our investee companies in the three weeks prior to an AGM as our engagement is not limited to shareholder meeting topics.
Rationale for the voting decision	Japanese companies in general have trailed behind European and US companies, as well as companies in other countries, in ensuring more women are appointed to their boards. The lack of women is also a concern below board level. LGIM have for many years promoted and supported an increase of women on boards, at the executive level and below. On a global level we consider that every board should have at least one female director. We deem this a de minimis standard. Globally, we aspire to all boards comprising 30% women. Last year in February we sent letters to the largest companies in the MSCI Japan which did not have any women on their boards or at executive level, indicating that we expect to see at least one woman on the board. One of the companies targeted was Olympus Corporation. In the beginning of 2020, we announced that we would commence voting against the chair of the nomination committee or the most senior board member (depending on the type of board structure in place) for those companies included in the TOPIX100. We opposed the election of this director in his capacity as a member of the nomination committee and the most senior member of the board, in order to signal that the company needed to take action on this issue.
Outcome of the vote	94.90% of shareholders supported the election of the director
Implications of the outcome eg were there any lessons learned and what likely future steps will you take in response to the outcome?	LGIM will continue to engage with and require increased diversity on all Japanese company boards.
On which criteria (as explained in the cover email) have you assessed this vote to be "most significant"?	This vote is deemed significant as LGIM considers it imperative that the boards of Japanese companies increase their diversity.

Company name	Fast Retailing Co. Limited.
Date of vote	26-Nov-20
Summary of the resolution	'Resolution 2.1: Elect Director Yanai Tadashi'.
How you voted	LGIM voted against the resolution.
Where you voted against management, did you communicate your intent to the company ahead of the vote?	LGIM publicly communicates its vote instructions on its website with the rationale for all votes against management. It is our policy not to engage with our investee companies in the three weeks prior to an AGM as our engagement is not limited to shareholder meeting topics.
Rationale for the voting decision	Japanese companies in general have trailed behind European and US companies, as well as companies in other countries in ensuring more women are appointed to their boards. A lack of women employed is also a concern below board level. LGIM has for many years promoted and supported an increase of appointing more women on

	boards, at the executive level and below. On a global level we consider that every board should have at least one female director. We deem this a de minimis standard. Globally, we aspire to all boards comprising 30% women. In the beginning of 2020, we announced that we would vote against the chair of the nomination committee or the most senior board member (depending on the type of board structure in place) for companies included in the TOPIX100 where these standards were not upheld. We opposed the election of this director in his capacity as a member of the nomination committee and the most senior member of the board, in order to signal that the company needed to act on this issue.
Outcome of the vote	Shareholders supported the election of the director.
Implications of the outcome eg were there any lessons learned and what likely future steps will you take in response to the outcome?	LGIM will continue to engage with and require increased diversity on all Japanese company boards, including Fast Retailing.
On which criteria (as explained in the cover email) have you assessed this vote to be "most significant"?	LGIM considers it imperative that the boards of Japanese companies increase their diversity.

Company name	Amazon
Date of vote	27-May-20
Summary of the resolution	Shareholder resolutions 5 to 16
How you voted	Of 12 shareholder proposals, we voted to support 10. We looked into the individual merits of each individual proposal, and there are two main areas which drove our decision-making: disclosure to encourage a better understanding of process and performance of material issues (resolutions 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 13, 15 and 16) and governance structures that benefit long-term shareholders (resolutions 9 and 14).
Where you voted against management, did you communicate your intent to the company ahead of the vote?	LGIM publicly communicates its vote instructions in monthly regional vote reports on its website with the rationale for all votes against management. It is our policy not to engage with our investee companies in the three weeks prior to an AGM as our engagement is not limited to shareholder meeting topics.
Rationale for the voting decision	In addition to facing a full slate of proxy proposals, in the two months leading up to the annual meeting, Amazon was on the front lines of a pandemic response. The company was already on the back foot owing to the harsh workplace practices alleged by the author of a seminal article in the New York Times published in 2015, which depicted a bruising culture. The news of a string of workers catching COVID-19, the company's response, and subsequent details, have all become major news and an important topic for our engagements leading up to the proxy vote. Our team has had multiple engagements with Amazon over the past 12 months. The topics of our engagements touched most aspects of ESG, with an emphasis on social topics: Governance: Separation of CEO and board chair roles, plus the desire for directors to participate in engagement meetings Environment: Details about the data transparency committed to in their 'Climate Pledge' Social: Establishment of workplace culture, employee health and safety The allegations from current and former employees are worrying. Amazon employees have consistently reported not feeling safe at work, that paid sick leave is not adequate, and that the company only provides an incentive of \$2 per hour to work during the pandemic. Also cited is an ongoing culture of retaliation, censorship, and fear. We discussed with Amazon the lengths the company is going to in adapting their working environment, with claims of industry leading safety protocols, increased pay, and adjusted absentee policies. However, some of their responses seemed to have backfired. For example, a policy to inform all workers in a facility if COVID-19 is detected has definitely caused increased media attention.
Outcome of the vote	Resolution 5 to 8, and 14 to 16 each received approx. 30% support from shareholders. Resolutions 9 and 10 received respectively 16.7 and 15.3% support. Resolution 11 received 6.1% support. Resolution 12 received 1.5 % support. Resolution 13 received 12.2% support. (Source: ISS data)
Implications of the outcome eg were there any lessons learned and what likely	Despite shareholders not giving majority support to the raft of shareholder proposals, the sheer number and focus on these continues to dominate the landscape for the company. Our engagement with the company continues as we push it to disclose more

future steps will you take in response to the outcome?	and to ensure it is adequately managing its broader stakeholders, and most importantly, its human capital.
On which criteria (as explained in the cover email) have you assessed this vote to be "most significant"?	The market attention was significant leading up to the AGM, with: 12 shareholder proposals on the table the largest number of any major US company this proxy season Diverse investor coalitions submitting and rallying behind the proposals, including global, different types of investors and first time co-filers/engagers Substantial press coverage with largely negative sentiment related to the company's governance profile and its initial management of COVID-19 Multiple state treasurers speaking out and even holding an online targeted pre-annual meeting investor forum entitled 'Workplace & Investor Risks in Amazon.com, Inc.'s COVID-19 Response' Anecdotally, the Stewardship team received more inquiries related to Amazon than any other company this season.

Company name	Cardinal Health
Date of vote	04-Nov-20
Summary of the resolution	'Resolution 3, Advisory Vote to Ratify Named Executive Officers' Compensation.
How you voted	LGIM voted against the resolution.
Where you voted against management, did you communicate your intent to the company ahead of the vote?	LGIM publicly communicates its vote instructions on its website with the rationale for all votes against management. It is our policy not to engage with our investee companies in the three weeks prior to an AGM as our engagement is not limited to shareholder meeting topics.
Rationale for the voting decision	The company paid out an above target bonus to the CEO, the same year it recorded a total pre-tax charge of \$5.63 billion (\$5.14 billion after tax) for expected opioid settlement costs during the fiscal year ended 30 June 2020. The Compensation Committee excluded the settlement costs from the earnings calculations which resulted in executive pay being boosted. Further, the current CEO was head of pharma globally during the worst years of the opioid crisis. Accountability would therefore have been expected. LGIM has in previous years voted against executives' pay packages due to concerns over the remuneration structure not comprising a sufficient proportion of awards assessed against the company's performance. We voted against the resolution to signal our concern over the bonus payment to the CEO in the same year the company recorded the charge for expected opioid settlement.
Outcome of the vote	The resolution encountered a significant amount of oppose votes from shareholders, with 38.6% voting against the resolution and 61.4% supporting the proposal.
Implications of the outcome eg were there any lessons learned and what likely future steps will you take in response to the outcome?	LGIM continues to engage with US companies on their pay structures and has published specific pay principles for US companies.
On which criteria (as explained in the cover email) have you assessed this vote to be "most significant"?	We believe it is imperative that pay structures are aligned with company performance and that certain expenses over which directors have control and influence should not be allowed to be excluded in the calculation of their pay, in particular if these would be detrimental to the executive director(s) in question.

Company name	ExxonMobil
Date of vote	27-May-20
Summary of the resolution	'Resolution 1.10: Elect Director Darren W. Woods'
How you voted	Against
Where you voted against management, did you communicate your intent to the company ahead of the vote?	LGIM publicly communicates its vote instructions in monthly regional vote reports on its website with the rationale for all votes against management. It is our policy not to engage with our investee companies in the three weeks prior to an AGM as our engagement is not limited to shareholder meeting topics.
Rationale for the voting decision	In June 2019, under our annual 'Climate Impact Pledge' ranking of corporate climate leaders and laggards, we announced that we will be removing ExxonMobil from our Future World fund range, and will be voting against the chair of the board. Ahead of the company's annual general meeting in May 2020, we also announced we will be supporting shareholder proposals for an independent chair and a report on the company's political lobbying. Due to recurring shareholder concerns, our voting policy

	also sanctioned the reappointment of the directors responsible for nominations and remuneration.
Outcome of the vote	93.2% of shareholders supported the re-election of the combined chair and CEO Darren Woods. Approximately 30% of shareholders supported the proposals for independence and lobbying. (Source: ISS data)
Implications of the outcome eg were there any lessons learned and what likely future steps will you take in response to the outcome?	We believe this sends an important signal, and will continue to engage, both individually and in collaboration with other investors, to push for change at the company. Our voting intentions were the subject of over 40 articles in major news outlets across the world, including Reuters, Bloomberg, Les Échos and Nikkei, with a number of asset owners in Europe and North America also declaring their intentions to vote against the company.
On which criteria (as explained in the cover email) have you assessed this vote to be "most significant"?	We voted against the chair of the board as part of LGIM's 'Climate Impact Pledge' escalation sanction.

Company name	The Procter & Gamble Company (P&G)
Date of vote	13-Oct-20
Summary of the resolution	'Resolution 5: Report on effort to eliminate deforestation'.
How you voted	LGIM voted in favour of the resolution.
Where you voted against management, did you communicate your intent to the company ahead of the vote?	LGIM publicly communicates its vote instructions on its website with the rationale for all votes against management. It is our policy not to engage with our investee companies in the three weeks prior to an AGM as our engagement is not limited to shareholder meeting topics.
Rationale for the voting decision	P&G uses both forest pulp and palm oil as raw materials within its household goods products. The company has only obtained certification from the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil for one third of its palm oil supply, despite setting a goal for 100% certification by 2020. Two of their Tier 1 suppliers of palm oil were linked to illegal deforestation. Finally, the company uses mainly Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC) wood pulp rather than Forestry Stewardship Council (FSC) certified wood pulp. Palm oil and Forest Pulp are both considered leading drivers of deforestation and forest degradation, which is responsible for approximately 12.5% of greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to climate change. The fact that Tier 1 suppliers have been found to have links with deforestation calls into question due diligence and supplier audits. Only FSC certification offers guidance on land tenure, workers', communities and indigenous people's rights and the maintenance of high conservation value forests. LGIM engaged with P&G to hear its response to the concerns raised and the requests raised in the resolution. We spoke to representatives from the proponent of the resolution, Green Century. In addition, we engaged with the Natural Resource Defence Counsel to fully understand the issues and concerns. Following a round of extensive engagement on the issue, LGIM decided to support the resolution. Although P&G has introduced a number of objectives and targets to ensure their business does not impact deforestation, we felt it was not doing as much as it could. The company has not responded to CDP Forest disclosure; this was a red flag to LGIM in terms of its level of commitment. Deforestation is one of the key drivers of climate change. Therefore, a key priority issue for LGIM is to ensure that companies we invest our clients' assets in are not contributing to deforestation. LGIM has asked P&G to respond to the CDP Forests Disclosure and continue to engage on the topic and push other companies to ensure more of their pulp and wood is from FSC certified sources.
Outcome of the vote	The resolution received the support of 67.68% of shareholders (including LGIM).
Implications of the outcome eg were there any lessons learned and what likely future steps will you take in response to the outcome?	LGIM will continue to engage with P&G on the issue and will monitor its CDP disclosure for improvement.
On which criteria (as explained in the cover email) have you assessed this vote to be "most significant"?	It is linked to LGIM's five-year strategy to tackle climate change and attracted a great deal of client interest.

3.3.3 LGIM World Emerging Markets Equity Index Fund

LGIM commented that “There were no significant votes made in relation to the securities held by this fund during the reporting period.”