REPORT FOR:	Pension Fund Committee
Date of Meeting:	25 November 2015
Subject:	Information Report – Performance of Fund Managers for Quarter Ended 30 September 2015 and Valuation at 31 October 2015
Responsible Officer:	Dawn Calvert, Director of Finance
Exempt:	No
Wards affected:	All
Enclosures:	Appendix 1 – Fund Valuation Appendix 2 – Fund Performance

Section 1 – Summary

The report sets out the performance of the investment managers and of the overall Fund for the quarter, year and three years ending 30 September 2015 and the valuation at 31 October 2015.

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Section 2 – Report

- 1. Attached to the report are tables summarising the Fund valuation at 30 September 2015 and 31 October 2015 (Appendix 1) and Fund performance as at 30 September 2015 (Appendix 2).
- As calculated by State Street Global Services, the Fund return in the quarter to 30 September 2015 of -4.8% was 0.3% below benchmark due mainly to underperformance within the diversified growth fund mandates.
- 3. The one year return of 1.8%, whilst disappointing is still ahead of the benchmark of 1.1% due mainly to outperformance within the equities mandates.
- 4. The value of the Fund at the end of September had reduced to £624m (£675m as at 31 March 2015) but had risen to £655m at 31 October 2015 due largely to the performance of the equities mandates.

Financial Implications

5. Asset allocation and manager performance are the two drivers of investment returns.

Risk Management Implications

6. All investment risks are included within the Pension Fund Risk Register.

Equalities implications

7. There are no direct equalities implications arising from this report.

Council Priorities

8. Investment performance has a direct impact on the financial health of the Pension Fund which directly affects the level of employer contribution which then, in turn, affects the resources available for the Council's priorities

Section 3 - Statutory Officer Clearance

Name: Dawn Calvert		\checkmark	Director of Finance
Date:	16 November 2015		

Section 4 - Contact Details

Contact: Ian Talbot, Treasury and Pension Fund Manager 0208 424 1450

NO

Background Papers - None

Appendix 1

Total Portfolio Allocation by Manager & Asset Class

30th September and 31 October 2015

	Value	Value	Value	Allocation	Strategic	Strategic Range %
Asset Class	31.03.2015 £'000	30.09.2015 £'000	31.10.2015 £'000	31.10.2015 %	Allocation %	
Global Equities						
Longview	75,561	70,993	75,061	12	11	
State Street	220,601	197,355	208,725	32	31	
GMO	76,541	66,375	68,530	10	10	
Oldfields	77,276	66,262	72,120	11	10	
Total Global Equities	449,979	400,984	424,436			
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Private Equity						
Pantheon	22,954	22,530	22,530			
Total Private Equity	22,954	22,530	22,530	3	5	4-6
Property						
Aviva	50,562	52,467	52,659			
Total - property	50,562	52,467	52,659	8	10	8-12
Bonds						
Blackrock - Fl	69,247	65,762	66,253	10	10	10
Blackrock - IL	17,130	16,608	16,465	3	3	3
Total Bonds	86,377	82,370	82,718	13	13	11-15
Alternatives						
Insight	28,857	26,989	27,402	4	5	5
Standard Life	30,678	29,688	30,408	5	5	5
Total Alternatives	59,535	56,677	57,810	9	10	8-12
Cash & NCA						
Cash Managers	865	811	43			
Cash NatWest	4,632	2,457	8,604			
Record passive currency hedge	-2,649	-569	-29			
Cash Custodian (JP Morgan)	1,433	2,162	3,515			
Debtors and Creditors	1,157	4,474	2,604			
Total Net Current Assets	5,438	9,335	14,737	2	0	
Total Assets	674,845	624,363	654,890	100	100	

Appendix 2								
Investment Performance – 30th September 2015								
	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Quarter</u> Benchmark	<u>Relative</u>		<u>Fund</u>	<u>Year</u> Benchmark	<u>Relative</u>	
Asset Class	%	%	%		%	%	%	
Global Equities								
Longview State Street GMO Oldfields	-6.2 -5.8 -6.9 -10.4	-7.7 -5.8 -14.6	1.5 0.0 7.7		7.3	-0.8	8.1	
Total	-7.6	-7.7	0.1		-0.6	-2.8	2.2	
Bonds Blackrock Corporate Bonds Index Linked	1.4	1.5 2.3	-0.1 0.0		5.5 12.0	5.6 11.8	-0.1 0.2	
					12.0	11.0		
Total	1.6	1.7	-0.1		6.8	6.9	-0.1	
Property Aviva	2.3	3.0	-0.7		12.7	14.4	-1.7	
Total	2.3	3.0	-0.7		12.7	14.4	-1.7	
Private Equity								
Pantheon	4.2	-5.8	10.0		11.9	0.6	11.3	
Total	4.2	-5.8	10.0		11.9	0.6	11.3	
Alternatives								
Insight Standard Life	-4.1 -1.8	1.1 1.1	-5.2 -2.9					
Total	-2.9	1.1	-4.0		0.8	4.6	-3.8	
Total Fund	-4.8	-4.5	-0.3		1.8	1.1	0.7	