Essex Pension Fund Investment Steering Committee Date: 15 June 2022

Responsible Investment (RI) Project Plan Update

Report by the Director for Essex Pension Fund

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This Report requires a decision

Executive Summary

Report Type: Monitoring

All of 2021/22 RI Project Plan deliverables were completed. Most notably following the Chairman and Vice Chairman approval the Fund's Financial Reporting Council UK Stewardship Code Submission was submitted on 29 April ahead the deadline of 30 April 2022. However, the outcome is not expected until the end of the Summer.

The Report also outlines the areas of activity in regard to 2022/23 RI Project Plan.

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To provide the final position in regard to progress made against the Fund's 2021/22 RI Project Plan.
- 1.2 To outline the Fund's RI Project Plan deliverables for 2022/23.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 The Committee **agree** the Fund's 2022/23 RI Project Plan.
- 2.2 That the Committee note:
 - the final position in regard to progress against the Fund's 2021/22 RI Project Plan; and
 - the content of the report.

3. Background

- 3.1 At the 16 June 2021 ISC meeting the Committee agreed a RI Project Plan including the workstreams, timings and steps required to be undertaken to achieve the 2021/22 Business Plan areas of activity in relation to RI and Stewardship.
- 3.2 Appendix A provides the final position in regard to progress made against the 2021/22 RI Project Plan.
- 3.3 The 2022/23 proposed RI Project Plan is set out at Appendix B.

4. Background Papers

- 4.1 Responsible Investment (RI) Project Plan Update, ISC 05a, 23 February 2022.
- 4.2 Essex Pension Fund (EPF) Three Year Business Plan and 2022/23 Budget, PSB 05a, 18 March 2022.