

Engagement Policy Implementation Statement for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

Hendy Group Retirement Benefits Plan (“the Plan”)

1. INTRODUCTION

This Engagement Policy Implementation Statement (the Statement) sets out the Trustees’ assessment of how, and the extent to which, they have followed their engagement policy and their policy with regard to the exercise of rights (including voting rights) attaching to the Plan’s investments during the one-year period to 31 December 2023 (the “Plan Year”). The Trustees’ policies are set out in their Statement of Investment Principles (SIP) dated December 2022. A copy of the Trustees’ SIP is available [here](#).

This Statement has been produced in accordance with the Occupational Pension Schemes (Investment and Disclosure) (Amendment and Modification) Regulations 2018 and the Occupational Pension Schemes (Investment and Disclosure) (Amendment) Regulations 2019 along with guidance published by the Department for Work and Pensions.

The Trustees appoint Mercer Limited (Mercer) as a discretionary investment manager and the Plan’s assets are invested in a range of specialist pooled funds (the Mercer Funds). Management of the assets of each Mercer Fund is undertaken by a Mercer affiliate, Mercer Global Investments Europe Limited (MGIE) and Mercer Investments LLC (PIP III) and Mercer Alternatives (Luxembourg) S.à r.l. thereafter.¹(PIP IV)

The relevant Mercer affiliate is responsible for the appointment and monitoring of suitably diversified portfolio of specialist third party investment managers for each Mercer Fund’s assets.

The publicly available [Sustainability Policy](#) sets out how Mercer addresses sustainability risks and opportunities and considers Environmental, Social and Corporate Governance (ESG) factors in decision making across the investment process. The [Stewardship Policy](#) provides more detail on Mercer’s beliefs and implementation on stewardship specifically. Under these arrangements, the Trustees accept that they do not have the ability to directly determine the engagement or voting policies or arrangements of the managers of the Mercer Funds. However, the Trustees have reviewed these policies and note an awareness of engagement topics that are important to the Plan. Mercer’s Client Engagement Survey seeks to integrate the Trustees views on specific themes by assessing the level of alignment between Mercer’s engagement priority areas and those of the Trustees, while highlighting additional areas of focus which are important to the Trustees. The Trustees review regular reports from Mercer with regard to the engagement and voting undertaken within the Mercer Funds in order to consider whether the policies align with those of the Trustees.

Section 2 of this Statement sets out the Trustees’ engagement policy and assesses the extent to which it has been followed over the Plan Year.

Section 3 sets out the Trustees’ policy with regard to the exercising of rights (including voting rights) attaching to the Plan’s investments and considers how, and the extent to which, this policy has been followed during the Plan Year. This Section also provides detail on voting activity undertaken third party investment managers appointed within the Mercer Funds during the Plan Year.

¹ Due to the nature of private markets investment voting information is not available for the PIP funds.

Taking the analysis included in Sections 2 to 3 together, it is the Trustees' belief that their policies with regard to engagement and the exercise of rights attaching to investments has been successfully followed during the Plan year.

2. TRUSTEES' POLICY ON ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, AND GOVERNANCE (ESG) ISSUES, INCLUDING CLIMATE CHANGE

Policy Summary

Section 10 of the Plan's SIP outlines the Trustees ESG beliefs. The Trustees keep these policies under regular review.

Should the Trustees consider that the engagement policies of Mercer, MGIE or the third party asset managers, do not align with those of the Trustees, the Trustees will notify Mercer and consider disinvesting some or all of the assets held in the Mercer Funds and/or seek to renegotiate commercial terms with Mercer.

How the Policy has been implemented over the Plan Year

The following work was undertaken during the year relating to the Trustees' policy on ESG factors, stewardship and climate change.

Policy Updates

The Trustees consider how ESG, climate change and stewardship is integrated within Mercer's, and MGIE's, investment processes and those of the underlying asset managers within the Mercer Funds, in the monitoring process. Mercer, and MGIE, provide reporting to the Trustees on a regular basis.

The **Mercer Sustainability Policy** is reviewed regularly. In August 2023 the governance section was updated, and the climate scenario modelling section is now detailed the standalone Task Force on Climate Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) report.

In line with the requirements of the EU Shareholder Rights Directive II (SRD II), Mercer has implemented a standalone **Stewardship Policy** to specifically address the requirements of SRD II.

Climate Change Reporting and Carbon Footprinting

Consideration of the impacts of climate change has been central to Mercer's global investment beliefs since 2014. Mercer and the Trustees believe climate change poses a systemic risk, with financial impacts driven by two key sources of change:

1. The physical damages expected from an increase in average global temperatures
2. The associated transition to a low-carbon economy

Each of these changes presents both risks and opportunities to investors. Mercer therefore considers the potential financial impacts at a diversified portfolio level, in portfolio construction within asset classes, and in investment manager selection and monitoring processes.

ESG Rating Review

Where available, ESG ratings assigned by Mercer are included in the investment performance reports produced by Mercer on a quarterly basis and reviewed by the Trustees. ESG ratings are reviewed by MGIE during quarterly monitoring processes, with a more comprehensive review performed annually - which seeks evidence of positive momentum on ESG integration and compares the Irish domiciled Mercer Funds overall ESG rating with the appropriate universe of strategies in Mercer's Global Investment Manager Database (GIMD). Engagements are prioritised with managers where their strategy's ESG rating is behind that of their peer universe.

As at 31 December 2022, in the Annual Sustainability Report provided by Mercer, the Trustees noted over 20% of Mercer's Funds have seen an improved ESG rating over the year

The most recent UN Principles of Responsible Investment results (based on 2022 activity) awarded Mercer 4 stars out of 5 for Policy Governance and Strategy.

In early 2021, Mercer announced its aim to achieve net-zero absolute portfolio carbon emissions by 2050 for UK, European and Asian clients with discretionary portfolios and for the majority of its multi-client, multi-asset funds domiciled in Ireland. To achieve this, Mercer set a 2030 target to reduce portfolio carbon emissions by 45% from 2019 baseline levels and is on track to achieve this aim. Mercer's approach to managing climate change risks is consistent with the framework recommended by the Financial Stability Board's Task Force on Climate related Financial Disclosures (TCFD), including the Mercer Investment Solutions Europe - [Investment Approach to Climate Change 2022 Status Report](#).

As at 31 December 2022, Mercer are on track to reach our long-term net zero portfolio carbon emissions target. There has been a notable 16% reduction over the 3 years since 2019 baseline levels, resulting in the 45% baseline-relative reduction by 2030 being within range.

and the vast majority have a rating ahead of the wider universe. Due to the nature of certain strategies, they do not have an ESG rating (i.e. are N rated) and are therefore excluded from this review.

Approach to Exclusions

Mercer and MGIE preference is to emphasise integration and stewardship approaches, however, in a limited number of instances, exclusions of certain investments may be necessary based on Mercer's Investment Exclusions Framework. Controversial weapons and civilian firearms are excluded from active equity and fixed income funds, and passive equity funds. In addition tobacco companies (based on revenue) and nuclear weapons are excluded from active equity and fixed income funds. The Mercer sustainability-themed funds have additional exclusions, for example covering gambling, alcohol, adult entertainment and fossil fuels.

Sustainability-themed investments

An allocation to MGIE's Sustainable Equities, Sustainable Listed Infrastructure and Mercer's Luxembourg domiciled Sustainable Opportunities funds (private markets) is included within the Plan portfolio of Growth assets, with the strategic allocation to Sustainable Equities and Sustainable Listed Infrastructure now accounting for c.4.9% of the Growth Portfolio.

The Mercer annual sustainability report includes more detail on the active/passive Sustainable Global Equity fund, including a more granular breakdown of the fund against ESG metrics, for example the UN Sustainability Development Goals.

Diversity

Mercer's ambition to promote diversity extends beyond its own business through to the managers it appoints. This is partly assessed within the manager research process and documented in a dedicated section within research reports.

Mercer considers broader forms of diversity in decision-making, but currently report on gender diversity. As at 1 April 2023, 35% of the Key Decision Makers (KDM's) within Mercer Investment Solutions team are non-male, and Mercer's long term target is 50%.

In addition, Mercer and MGIE monitors for high-severity breaches of the UN Global Compact (UNGC) Principles that relate to human rights, labour, environmental and corruption issues.

The actively managed Mercer Sustainable Global Equity Fund includes an impact investing strategy employing fundamental analysis to target companies that aim to achieve a positive Environmental and Social Impact. The strategy is diversified across multiple themes including health and sanitation, affordable housing, education and cyber security.

The annual Impact Report highlights the positive social and environmental impact generated the Plan's investments within the private markets Sustainable Opportunities solution.

Within the Fixed Income universe, the average fund has 13% non-male KDM's and within the EMEA Active Equity universe, the average is 17%. Figures relating to Mercer Fixed Income and Active Equity Funds are currently slightly ahead or aligned, at 15% and 17%.

Over the year to 31 December 2022, there has been an increase across both active equity and fixed income multi-client funds and their respective universes and across both active equity and fixed income multi-client funds, the representation of females KDMs is higher than the broader universe of 13.7%. Mercer expect this number to grow over time both across our funds and the industry as a whole, supported in part through our engagements with managers on the topic and participation in industry initiatives.

In Q3 2022, MGIE was confirmed as a signatory of the UK Chapter of the 30% Club and helped to establish the Irish Chapter over 2023.

Engagement

[The 2023 Stewardship Report](#) highlights the engagement objectives which have been set, examples of engagement and the escalation process and participation in collaborative initiatives. Mercer's annual Global Manager Engagement Survey on sustainability and stewardship topics, now in its third year, was distributed to over 200 managers. The survey seeks to gather information from each manager appointed in the Mercer Funds on their broad approach to stewardship as part of their investment integration, as well as gain insights and examples of voting and engagement activities. The results from the survey provides an important source of information for tracking and measuring our managers' stewardship efforts to assess effectiveness and to identify potential areas for improvement. Results and insights from the survey will be shared in Mercer's Annual Stewardship Report which is reviewed by the Trustees'.

3. TRUSTEES' POLICY ON EXERCISE OF RIGHTS (INCLUDING VOTING RIGHTS) ATTACHING TO PLAN INVESTMENTS

Policy

The Trustees' policy is to delegate responsibility for the discretionary investment management of Plan assets to Mercer, and to invest the Plan's assets in a range of Mercer Funds for which MGIE or relevant Mercer affiliate acts as investment manager. In order for the Trustees to discharge its obligations with respect of voting and engagement, it requires reporting on the engagement and voting undertaken within the Mercer Funds in order to consider whether the policies align with those of the Trustees.

Voting rights that apply with respect to the underlying investments attached to the Mercer Funds are, ultimately, delegated to the third party investment managers appointed by MGIE. In delegating these rights, MGIE accepts that managers are typically best placed to exercise voting rights and prioritise particular engagement topics by security, given they are expected to have detailed knowledge of both the governance and the operations of the companies and issuers they invest in. However, Mercer has a pivotal role in monitoring their stewardship activities and promoting more effective stewardship practices, including ensuring attention is given to more strategic themes and topics. As such, proxy voting responsibility is given to listed equity investment managers with an expectation that all shares are to be voted in a timely manner and a manner deemed most likely to protect and enhance long-term value. Mercer and MGIE carefully evaluates each sub-investment manager's capability in ESG engagement and proxy voting, as part of the selection process to ensure it is representing Mercer's commitment to good governance, integration of sustainability considerations. Managers are expected to take account of current best practice such as the UK Stewardship Code, to which Mercer is a signatory. As such the Trustees do not use the direct services of a proxy voter.

Voting: As part of the monitoring of managers' approaches to voting, MGIE assesses how managers are voting against management and seeks to obtain the rationale behind voting activities, particularly in cases where split votes may occur (where managers vote in different ways for the same proposal). MGIE portfolio managers will use these results to inform their engagements with managers on their voting activities.

Set out below is a summary of voting activity for the year to 31 December 2023 for a range of Mercer Funds that the Plan's assets are invested in. This may include information in relation to funds that the Plan's assets were no longer invested in at the year end. The statistics set out in the table below are drawn from the Glass Lewis voting system (via the custodian of the Mercer Funds). Typically, votes exercised against management can indicate a thoughtful and active approach. This is particularly visible where votes have been exercised to escalate engagement objectives. The expectation is for all shares to be voted.

Fund	Total Proposals		Vote Decision					For/Against Mgmt		Meetings	
	Eligible Proposals	Proposals Voted On	For	Against	Abstain	No Action	Other	For	Against	No.	Against
MGI Eurozone Equity Fund	4,501	4,308	84%	12%	1%	4%	0%	87%	13%	272	54%
MGI UK Equity Fund	2,082	2,076	98%	2%	0%	0%	0%	98%	2%	94	29%
Mercer Multi-Asset Credit Fund (1)	17	17	94%	6%	0%	0%	0%	94%	6%	6	17%
MGI Emerging Markets Equity Fund	3,930	3,718	82%	13%	4%	1%	0%	86%	14%	404	40%
Mercer Global Small Cap Equity Fund	6,463	6,162	86%	8%	0%	4%	2%	91%	9%	544	39%
Mercer Low Volatility Equity Fund	8,216	7,808	84%	7%	0%	5%	4%	92%	8%	483	37%
Mercer Sustainable Global Equity Fund	6,555	6,477	85%	11%	1%	1%	3%	89%	11%	396	57%
Mercer Passive Global REITS UCITS CCF	3,217	3,093	75%	19%	0%	4%	2%	78%	22%	322	70%

- (1) Voting Activity figures for the Mercer Multi-Asset Credit fund relate to a small number of equity holdings within the fund's underlying segregated mandates. Please note this does not include voting activity from any underlying pooled strategies within the fund over the period
- "Eligible Proposals" reflect all proposals of which managers were eligible to vote on over the period
 - "Proposals Voted On" reflect the proposals managers have voted on over the period (including votes For and Against, and any frequency votes encompassed in the "Other" category)
 - "No Action" reflects instances where managers have not actioned a vote. MGIE may follow up with managers to understand the reasoning behind these decisions, and to assess the systems managers have in place to ensure voting rights are being used meaningfully
 - "Other" refers to proposals in which the decision is frequency related (e.g. 1 year or 3 year votes regarding the frequency of future say-on-pay).
 - "No. of meetings" represents meetings were eligible to vote at.
 - "Against*" represents in what % of meetings voted at least once against management.
 - "Meetings No." refers to the number of meetings the managers were eligible to vote at.
 - "Meetings Against" refers to the no. of meetings where the managers voted at least once against management, reported as a % of the total eligible meetings.

Significant Votes: The Trustees have based the definition of significant votes on Mercer's Beliefs, Materiality and Impact (BMI) Framework. Reported below are the most significant proposals over the period. Significant proposals are determined using the following criteria:

1. The proposal topic relates to an Engagement Priority (climate change, human/labour rights, and diversity). This is classified in the "Proposal Description" column below, referenced as Environmental, Social, and Governance respectively.
2. The most significant proposals reported below relate to the three companies with the largest weight in each fund (relative to other companies in the full list of significant proposals).

Most Significant Votes

Fund	Company (Holding Weight)	Meeting Date: Proposal Text (Significance Category)	Manager Vote Decision (Intention to vote against management communicated – Rationale, if available)	Proposal Outcome (Next steps to report, if any)
Mercer Global Small Cap Equity Fund	Denny's Corp. (0.4%)	17/05/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding Paid Sick Leave (Social)	Against (N/a - The manager voted against this proposal, supportive of company management's argument that due to its highly franchised business model, the Company's direct control over the compensation and benefits arrangements is limited to the team members employed in its 66 Company-operated restaurants and corporate support functions, and that dictating employment practices could expose the Company to greater liability)	10% Support Proposal did not pass. (None to report)
	Bloomin' Brands (0.1%)	18/04/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding GHG Targets and Alignment with Paris Agreement (Environmental)	For (No - The manager supported this proposal, as setting GHG emissions targets will help the company manage climate change- and deforestation-related risks.)	43% Support Proposal did not pass. (Given the proponent also tabled this proposal in 2021, and received a majority vote in support, it was tabled again this year due to lack of progress and insufficient response from company management. The manager will monitor the company's response in light of this.)

	Texas Roadhouse Inc (0.0%)	11/05/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding GHG Targets and Alignment with the Paris Agreement (Environmental)	For (No - The manager supported this proposal, as setting GHG emissions targets will help the company manage climate change- and deforestation-related risks.)	40% Proposal did not pass. (None to report)
Mercer Low Volatility Equity Fund	Alphabet Inc (2.9%)	02/06/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding Human Rights Impact Assessment (Social)	Split - (No - For (2): Managers who voted FOR this proposal were supportive as an independent Human Rights Impact Assessment would help shareholders better assess Alphabet's management of risks related to human rights Against (1): The manager who voted against felt this proposal did not merit support as the company's disclosures pertaining to the item are already reasonable.)	18% Support Proposal did not pass. (None to report)
	Alphabet Inc (2.9%)	02/06/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding Lobbying Activity Alignment with Climate Commitments and the Paris Agreement (Environmental)	Split - (No - For (2): Managers who voted FOR this proposal were supportive, as additional reporting on the company's direct and indirect lobbying practices, policies, and expenditures would benefit shareholders in assessing its management of related risks. Against (1): The manager who voted against felt this proposal did not merit support as the company's disclosures pertaining to the item are already reasonable.)	14% Support Proposal did not pass. (None to report)
	Microsoft Corporation (2.7%)	07/12/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding EEO Policy Risk Report (Social)	Against (No - Managers voted against this proposal, as the company appears to be taking appropriate steps to protect itself against risks related to discrimination based on political ideology or viewpoint. In particular, one manager noted Microsoft includes "political affiliation" in its anti-discrimination policy and provides some information about policies and practices that it takes to ensure it does not discriminate against people based on personal characteristics and to foster a culture of merit-based promotion. There do not seem to be allegations of workforce discrimination. The company reports on its diversity and inclusion initiatives and has initiatives in place to increase diverse hiring. Microsoft prohibits discrimination based on protected class and seeks to promote a culture based on equal opportunity)	1% Support Proposal did not pass. (None to report)

			<p>(No - For (3): Managers who supported this proposal were supportive, as shareholders would benefit from increased disclosure regarding how the company is managing human rights-related risks in high-risk countries</p> <p>Against (1): The manager who voted against this proposal noted Microsoft has made public commitments to manage human rights risks in line with best practices. The company discloses government and law enforcement requests for content removal and conducts Human Rights Impact Assessments in collaboration with stakeholders to identify risks. Microsoft also published a human rights report which includes information on risks and mitigating actions. The manager acknowledged there is an opportunity for Microsoft to consolidate and strengthen disclosures on specific processes aimed at mitigating country specific risks (through updates to its human rights report last published in 2021), however they ultimately felt current disclosures are adequate and a new report on data operations in human rights hotspots is redundant.)</p>	
	Microsoft Corporation (2.7%)	07/12/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding Report on Siting in Countries of Significant Human Rights Concern (Social)		33% Support Proposal did not pass. (None to report)
	Microsoft Corporation (2.7%)	07/12/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding Report on Climate Risk In Employee Retirement Options (Environmental)	Against (No - Managers did not support this proposal as the company's retirement plan is managed by a management-level committee and employees who are looking for more climate-risk-free investments are offered a self-directed option.)	9% Support Proposal did not pass. (None to report)
	Unitedhealth Group Inc (1.1%)	05/06/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding Racial Equity Audit (Governance)	Against (N/a - Managers voted against this proposal, noting the company has taken positive steps towards racial equity. One manager also noted they have been engaging with the company on environmental topics, and raised this as part of their discussions around the company's strategy.)	20% Support Proposal did not pass. (None to report)
Mercer Passive Global REITS UCITS CCF	Digital Realty Trust Inc (2.4%)	08/06/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding Concealment Clauses (Governance)	<p>For (No - A vote in favour is applied as the manager supports proposals related to improvement in information available in respect of diversity and inclusion policies as the manager considers these issues to be a material risk to companies.</p> <p>In addition, in June 2022, 45.59% percent of Digital Realty's investors supported the request of this resolution. Since this high vote, the company has not released any additional information on</p>	Withdrawn (The proposal was withdrawn following the managers' vote. The manager will review the proposal if it is tabled again at future AGMs, and continue to monitor the company's D&I disclosure and policies.)

			its use of concealment clauses, nor has it agreed to a conversation with the resolution's proponents.)	
	Klepierre (0.3%)	11/05/2023 : Opinion on Climate Ambitions and Objectives (Environmental)	For (N/a - The manager supported this item, given the company's sufficient disclosures and commitments. The company has committed to a net-zero carbon portfolio by 2030 and its carbon reduction targets for Scopes 1 and 2 emissions, and Scope 3 for downstream leased assets was validated by the SBTi as aligned with a 1.5°C scenario.)	93% Support Proposal passed. (The manager will continue to engage with investee companies, publicly advocate their position on this issue and monitor company and market-level progress. The manager will continue to assess companies' transition plans in line with their minimum expectations and assess their progress across E, S and G factors.)
	Public Storage (3.4%)	02/05/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding GHG Targets and Alignment with Paris Agreement (Environmental)	For (No - A vote in favour is applied as the manager expects companies to introduce credible transition plans, consistent with the Paris goals of limiting the global average temperature increase to 1.5°C. This includes the disclosure of scope 1, 2 and material scope 3 GHG emissions and short-, medium- and long-term GHG emissions reduction targets consistent with the 1.5°C goal.)	35% Support Proposal did not pass. (The manager will continue to engage with investee companies, publicly advocate their position on this issue and monitor company and market-level progress. The manager will continue to assess companies' transition plans in line with their minimum expectations and assess their progress across E, S and G factors.)
Mercer Sustainable Global Equity Fund	American Water Works Co. Inc. (1.3%)	10/05/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding Racial Equity Audit (Human / Labour Rights)	Split - (No - For (2): Managers who voted FOR this proposal were supportive of the Company disclosing medium- and long-term GHG targets aligned with the Paris Agreement. Against (1): Managers who voted against felt this proposal did not merit support as the company's disclosure and/or practices pertaining to the item are already reasonable.)	39% Support Proposal did not pass. (This proposal was ultimately withdrawn ahead of the 2022 AGM, but was successfully tabled for the 2023 meeting, receiving a relatively strong support rate which managers expect the company will respond to.)
	Microsoft Corporation (4.0%)	07/12/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding EEO Policy Risk Report (Social)	Against (N/a - Managers voted against this proposal, as the company appears to be taking appropriate steps to protect itself against risks related to discrimination based on political ideology or viewpoint. In particular, one manager noted Microsoft includes "political affiliation" in its anti-discrimination policy and provides some information about policies and practices that it takes to ensure it does not discriminate against people based on personal characteristics and to foster a culture of merit-based promotion. There do not seem to be allegations of workforce discrimination. The company reports on its diversity and inclusion initiatives and has initiatives in place to increase diverse hiring. Microsoft prohibits discrimination based on protected class and seeks to promote a culture based on equal opportunity)	1% Support Proposal did not pass. (None to report.)
	Microsoft Corporation (4.0%)	07/12/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding Report on Siting in	Split - (One manager who voted against management's recommendation communicated their intentions to the company ahead of the vote. - For (3): Managers who voted FOR this proposal were supportive, as shareholders would benefit from increased disclosure regarding	33% Support Proposal did not pass. (None to report.)

	Countries of Significant Human Rights Concern (Social)	<p>how the company is managing human rights-related risks in high-risk countries. Managers also provided further context, noting that in 2021 the company announced plans to build 50-100 data centres each year, and is reportedly investing \$2.1 billion in cloud computing in Saudi Arabia. Managers acknowledged that whilst disclosure around the company's due diligence process exists, the company has seen recent controversies on its operations in Saudi. Therefore, given the flexibility of the request and the increased investment in Saudi Arabia and other countries with existing or potential human rights risks, managers felt it prudent to provide additional information to shareholders on how the company is expecting to manage these risks.</p> <p>Against (1): The manager who voted against this proposal noted Microsoft has made public commitments to manage human rights risks in line with best practices. The company discloses government and law enforcement requests for content removal and conducts Human Rights Impact Assessments in collaboration with stakeholders to identify risks. Microsoft also published a human rights report which includes information on risks and mitigating actions. The manager acknowledged there is an opportunity for Microsoft to consolidate and strengthen disclosures on specific processes aimed at mitigating country specific risks (through updates to its human rights report last published in 2021), however they ultimately felt current disclosures are adequate and a new report on data operations in human rights hotspots is redundant.)</p>	
Microsoft Corporation (4.0%)	07/12/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding Report on Climate Risk In Employee Retirement Options (Social)	<p>Split - (One manager who voted against management's recommendation communicated their intentions to the company ahead of the vote. - For (2): Managers who voted FOR this proposal agreed that disclosure of how the company is protecting its retirement plan beneficiaries with longer time horizons from systemic climate risk in the company's default retirement groups would be beneficial</p> <p>Against (2): Managers who voted against this proposal did so as the company's retirement plan is managed by a management-level committee and employees who are looking for more climate-risk-free investments are offered a self-directed option.)</p>	<p>9% Support Proposal did not pass. (One manager who voted for the proposal confirmed they intend to watch the success rates of these types of proposals across the landscape to see if they gain momentum. In addition, one manager who voted against noted the intend to continue engaging with the company on this issue as the manager believes it presents material risk to the company, especially as it expands in data centre capabilities.)</p>
Schneider Electric SE (1.2%)	04/05/2023 : Opinion on Climate Strategy (Environmental)	<p>For (N/a - Managers voted to approve the company's climate strategy, however it was noted that there was room for improvement, particularly with regards to the disclosure of scope 1, 2 and material scope 3 GHG emissions and short-, medium- and long-term GHG emissions reduction targets consistent with the 1.5°C goal.)</p>	<p>96% Support Proposal passed. (Managers will monitor the company's progress and review any updates to its strategy as they become available.)</p>

MGI Eurozone Equity Fund	BP plc (0.5%)	27/04/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding Reporting and Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions (Environmental)	Against (N/a - Given the Company's existing targets and disclosures, as well as the complexity and uncertainty in setting these targets, managers did not support this proposal.)	16% Support Proposal did not pass. (Concerns with the Company's 2030 targets being reduced in the months leading up to the AGM were noted, particularly following 85% support from shareholders in 2022 when they were asked to approve the company's former targets. This alone didn't warrant a vote in favour, given the belief that the Company should not be required to adhere to a strategy that the board no longer believes is in the best interests of shareholders as a result of changes in the market or in demand.)
	Engie (0.7%)	26/04/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding Annual Say on Climate and Climate Disclosure (Environmental)	For (No - The manager voted for the proposed amendments as they would favour additional information of shareholders without infringing on the Board's prerogatives. Despite this, the manager noted concerns raised by investors regarding the debate surrounding the use of a bylaw amendment to support the requested additional disclosure and votes on the company's climate strategy.)	21% Support Proposal did not pass. (None to report)
	Total Energies SE (1.0%)	26/05/2023 : Opinion on 2023 Sustainability and Climate Progress Report (Environmental)	For (N/a - Managers supported this proposal, noting the company had made sufficient progress over the year and were responsive to engagement efforts from investors. While they felt there was still room for improvements in some areas, they were satisfied that the company committed to reduce by 30 percent scope 3 GHG emissions from oil production by 2030 and committed to disclose absolute targets for GHG emissions covering all activities as well as further information regarding their environmental impact.)	86% Support Proposal passed. (Managers are continuing to monitor the company against its recent commitments.)
	Total Energies SE (1.0%)	26/05/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding Scope 3 GHG Target and Alignment with Paris Agreement (Environmental)	Split - (No - For (1): The manager who voted FOR this proposal noted its adoption would help to strengthen the company's efforts to reduce its carbon footprint and align its Scope 3 emission targets with Paris Agreement goals and would allow investors to better understand how the company is managing both its transition to a low carbon economy and its climate change-related risks. Against (1): The manager that voted against felt this proposal did not merit support as they were satisfied with the existing progress and disclosures put forward by the company in its climate progress report.)	29% Support Proposal did not pass. (None to report)
MGI UK Equity Fund	BP plc (2.4%)	27/04/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding Reporting and Reducing Greenhouse	Against (N/a - Manager voted against as there were concerns that shareholder-mandated revisions of the company's Scope 3 emissions reduction targets would not be in the best interest of shareholders.)	16% Support Proposal did not pass. (None to report)

	Gas Emissions (Environmental)		
Legal & General Group plc (1.5%)	18/05/2023 : Approval of Climate Transition Plan (Environmental)	For (N/a - The Company has adopted a net zero ambition and has set reduction targets for its Scope 1, 2, and 3 emissions. The Company also provides reporting aligned with the TCFD, information concerning its scenario analysis, and has received third-party assurance on its GHG emissions. Overall, we believe its disclosure is sufficient to allow shareholders to understand and evaluate how the Company intends, at this time, to meet its climate objectives.)	95% Support Proposal passed. (None to report)
Shell Plc (4.5%)	23/05/2023 : Approval of Energy Transition Progress (Environmental)	For (N/a - Given the totality of circumstances, including the recent energy crisis, the manager acknowledges the potential of utilizing this proposal to express concerns about the ambition of the Company's climate plan, such as its lack of absolute Scope 3 targets. However, on balance, particularly in consideration of the Company's engagement with shareholders on this matter and its robust disclosures, the manager did not believe it was warranted to oppose this proposal.)	77% Support Proposal passed. (None to report)
Shell Plc (4.5%)	23/05/2023 : Shareholder Proposal Regarding Scope 3 GHG Target and Alignment with Paris Agreement (Environmental)	Against (N/a - Given the Company's existing GHG reduction goals, and its extensive disclosure on the steps it is taking to mitigate its environmental impact, the manager did not believe that adoption of this proposal would benefit the Company or its shareholders)	19% Support Proposal did not pass. (None to report)