Pension Fund Committee 28th January 2008



Pension Fund Investments

Report of Stuart Crowe, County Treasurer

Purpose of the Report

To provide the Committee with an overview of the transactions undertaken during the period 1st October 2007 to 31st December 2007, to show how the value of the portfolio has changed during the period, the overall performance of the Managers and to consider the allocation of additional sums to the Managers for further investment.

Transactions

- 2 Reports from the three appointed managers Baring Asset Management Limited, Morley Fund Management Limited and Legal and General Investments Limited are included on the agenda and a summary is attached in the Appendix, Table 2.
- As at 1st October 2007 Barings had £41,915,256, Morley had £72,244,166 and Legal and General had £9,008,426 available for investment. During the quarter, Barings has invested a net amount of £390,914, Morley has disinvested a net amount of £4,329,967 and Legal and General has invested a net amount of £600,000.

Managers' Performance

The table below shows how the Managers of the three parts of the Fund have performed over the last quarter, year and three years against agreed benchmarks:

Manager	Quarter	Last 12 months	3 years		
BAM	2.6	10.1	16.2		
Morley	1.8	9.3	12.9		
Legal & General	0.7	8.5	14.2		
Median	0.6	7.9	13.9		

Allocation of "New Money"

A summary of the cash position of the Fund and estimates/actuals of cashflow over the last four quarters is contained in Table 1 on the Appendix.

The uninvested cash balance at the end of the previous quarter, together with interest and dividend received during the quarter, is available for investment during the quarter ending 31st March 2008 subject to the need to retain money to meet the Fund's net cash outflow. Having regard to the cash balance of the Fund at 31st December 2007 and to the forthcoming Fund restructure it is recommended that there be no allocation of monies to the Managers.

The Value of the Fund

7 The changes in the value of the Fund during the period 30th September 2007 to 31st December 2007 are shown in Table 2 in the Appendix.

Recommendation

Having regard to the cash balance of the Fund at 31st December 2007 and to the forthcoming restructure of the Fund. It is recommended that there be no allocation of monies to the Managers.

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TABLE 1

DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL PENSION FUND

	31.03.07		30.06.07		30.09.07		31.12.07		
Quarter Ended (1)	Estimate (2)	Actual (3)	Estimate (4)	Actual (5)	Estimate (6)	Actual (7)	Estimate (8)	Actual (9)	Estimate (10)
, ,	, ,	,	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Contributions - DCC	10,000,000	10,079,980	10,000,000	10.668.690	10.500.000	10,462,996	10,600,000	10,711,125	10,700,000
- Other	10,000,000	16,723,146	11,000,000	10,379,357	10,500,000	10,519,814	10,600,000	10,539,037	10,600,000
Pensions Increase	1,000,000	1,286,946	1,000,000	1,173.020	1,000,000	1,240,215	1,000,000	1,646,926	1,200,000
Transfer Values	1,500,000	2,679,580	1,500,000	2,367,460	1,500,000	3,155,487	2,000,000	1,951,357	1,500,000
Loans Repaid	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gross Dividend & Interest	7,000,000	7,699,435	7,000,000	11,640,158	8,000,000	10,068,211	8,000,000	9,011,438	4,000,000
Total Income	29,500,000	38,469,087	30,500,000	36,228,685	31,500,000	35,446,723	32,200,000	33,859,883	28,000,000
Payroll Paysheets	14,300,000	14,115,000	14,300,000	14,115,000	14,600,000	14,960,206	15,000,000	14,942,211	15,200,000
Payables Paysheets (incl. Managers' fees)	5,000,000	5,522,592	5,600,000	8,486,867	6,000,000	4,235,942	5,000,000	5,485,236	5,500,000
Total Expenditure	19,300,000	19,637,592	19,900,000	22,601,867	20,600,000	19,196,148	20,000,000	20,427,447	20,700,000
Surplus / (Deficit)	10,200,000	18,831,495	10,600,000	13,626,818	10,900,000	16,250,575	12,200,000	13,432,436	7,300,000
Net Capital payments/(receipts)		(23,300,000)		(4,600,000)		0		3,000,000	
Balance at Bank (opening)		42,943,996		78,378,200		99,203,038		117,252,769	
Balance at Bank (closing)		78,378,200		99,203,038		117,252,769		127,218,045	
Allocated to Managers		75,981,300		92,939,718		105,223,295		112,478,895	
Money paid/(recovered) to/(from Manager)		8,000,000		5,000,000		6,000,000		0	

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TABLE 2

DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL PENSION FUND TRANSACTIONS UNDERTAKEN BY THE MANAGERS IN THE PERIOD 1ST OCTOBER 2007 TO 31ST DECEMBER 2007

	BAR	INGS	MOF	RLEY	LEGAL AND	GENERAL	TOTAL		
TRANSACTIONS (1)	Purchases (2)	Sales	Purchases Sales (5)		Purchases Sales		Purchases (8)	Sales	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
(a) Gilts	0	0	1,451,180	1,445,180	0	0	1,451,180	1,445,180	
(b) Other Fixed Interest UK	0	1,124	0	0	0	0	0	1,124	
(c) Other Fixed Interest									
Overseas	12,902,895	12,975,143	5,050,665	4,976,600	0	0	17,953,560	17,951,743	
(d) UK Equities	46,509,375	26,217,052	5,686,965	10,911,570	555,000	0	52,751,340	37,128,622	
(e) Overseas Equities									
Europe	22,801,554	27,036,713	22,228,975	21,581,547	30,000	0	45,060,529	48,618,260	
USA and Canada	0	0	1,669,150	1,508,119	15,000	0	1,684,150	1,508,119	
Japan	2,308,763	2,206,271	0	0	0	0	2,308,763	2,206,271	
Smaller Pacific									
Markets	2,800,086	11,008,564	0	0	0	0	2,800,086	11,008,564	
Australia and									
New Zealand	872,681	8,359,573	0	0	0	0	872,681	8,359,573	
Emerging Markets	0	0	6,114	0	0	0	6,114	0	
(f) Property Unit Trusts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	88,195,354	87,804,440	36,093,049	40,423,016	600,000	0	124,888,403	128,227,456	

TABLE 3 APPENDIX

DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL PENSION FUND VALUE OF THE FUND

	BARINGS			MORLEY			LEGAL AND GENERAL			TOTAL		
	30.09.07	31.12.07	Increase/ (Decrease)	30.09.07	31.12.07	Increase/ (Decrease)	30.09.07	31.12.07	Increase/ (Decrease)	30.09.07	31.12.07	Increase/ (Decrease)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)
Gilts	£ 27,907,879	£ 29,185,716	£ 1,277,837	£ 23,215,895	£ 24,107,333	£ 891,438	£ * 28,481,895	£ 29,734,450	£ 1,252,555	£ 79,605,669	£ 83,027,499	£ 3,421,830
Other Fixed Interest												
UK Overseas	3,978,225 16,302,345	4,034,805 16,910,921	56,580 608,576	0 12,465,062	0 13,270,310	0 805,248	0 * 13,197,927	* 14,060,294	0 862,367	3,978,225 41,965,334	4,034,805 44,241,525	56,580 2,276,191
UK Equities Overseas Equities	⊗ 269,160,111	⊕ 296,261,097	27,100,986	¹ 251,801,899	3 249,115,740	(2,686,159)	* 295,852,800	* 295,323,646	(529,154)	816,814,810	840,700,483	23,885,673
Europe	60,987,911	59,012,041	(1,975,870)	52,353,023	55,315,729	2,962,706	* 71,629,831	* 73,840,646	2,210,815	184,970,765	188,168,416	3,197,651
USA and Canada Japan	0 21,738,755	0 21,011,333	0 (727,422)	21,356,044 4 8,199,501	20,651,005 5 7,784,030	(705,039) (415,471)	* 23,528,054 * 19,729,067	* 23,404,767 * 19,070,880	(123,287) (658,187)	44,884,098 49,667,323	44,055,772 47,866,243	(828,326) (1,801,080)
Smaller Pacific Markets Australia	24,713,627	16,433,378	(8,280,249)	11,799,358	11,894,622	95,264	* 46,560,452	* 47,499,275	938,823	83,073,437	75,827,275	(7,246,162)
& New Zealand	24,442,651	17,895,499	(6,547,152)	0	0	0	0	0	0	24,442,651	17,895,499	(6,547,152)
Emerging Markets	≠ 20,995,733	≠ 21,916,802	921,069	⁵ 16,420,675	17,420,369	999,694	0	0	0	37,416,408	39,337,171	1,920,763
Property Unit Trusts	22,321,391	20,324,585	(1,996,806)	13,421,995	12,325,733	(1,096,262)	0	0	0	35,743,386	32,650,318	(3,093,068)
Cash	39,364,583	41,526,857	2,162,274	68,244,163	76,494,096	8,249,933	5,303,503	9,029,039	3,725,536	112,912,249	127,049,992	14,137,743
	531,913,211	544,513,034	12,599,823	479,277,615	488,378,967	9,101,352	504,283,529	511,962,997	7,679,468	1,515,474,355	1,544,854,998	29,380,643

- ⊗ Includes £29,993,170 which is held in Managed Unit Trusts
- ⊕ Includes £31,322,806 which is held in Managed Unit Trusts
- * Held in Managed Insurance Funds
- # Held in Baring Emerging Markets Umbrella Fund
- Includes £9,471,296 which is held in Norwich Union UK Smaller Companies' Account
- Held in Morley Pooled Pensions South East Asia Fund
- Includes £8,487,603 which is held in Norwich Union UK Smaller Companies' Account
- ⁴ Held in Morley Pooled Pension Japan Fund
- ⁵ Held in Aviva Portfolio Emerging A1