Item 2

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Glasgow City Council

Strathclyde Pension Fund Committee

Report by Director of Strathclyde Pension Fund

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Audited Annual Accounts 2021/22 – Strathclyde Pension Fund

Purpose of Report:

To present the Strathclyde Pension Fund's Audited Annual Accounts 2021/22.

Recommendations:

The Strathclyde Pension Fund Committee is asked to:

i. Consider this report in conjunction with the Audit Scotland report in relation to the audit of these accounts and the full copy of Strathclyde Pension Fund's Audited Annual Accounts 2021/22, and

ii. Approve the Audited Annual Accounts 2021/22 for signature.

Ward No(s): Citywide: ☐

Local member(s) advised: Yes ☐ No ☐ Consulted: Yes ☐ No ☐

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1. Background

1.1 The Annual Accounts are prepared in line with proper accounting practice and statute. The Local Authority Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2014 provide that the administering authority, or committee charged with governance and audit of Strathclyde Pension Fund must meet no later than 31st August to consider the Unaudited Accounts and no later than 30th September to consider the Audited Annual Accounts. The Scottish Government permitted an extension of this deadline included within Finance Circular 6/2022 to 30th November 2022. This additional flexibility has been utilised in submitting the Annual Accounts to this committee following completion of the audit.

1.2 The Strathclyde Pension Fund Committee considered the unaudited Annual Accounts 2021/22 at its meeting on 21st June 2022. The accounts were subsequently submitted for audit to the Fund's external auditors, Audit Scotland.

2. Audited Annual Accounts 2021/22

2.1 The Annual Accounts have now been subject to audit by Audit Scotland who are required to complete their audit and report their findings to the Strathclyde Pension Fund Committee.

2.2 A full copy of the audited Annual Accounts is available at: https://www.spfo.org.uk/index.aspx?articleid=14493

2.3 Within the Annual Accounts the primary financial statements consist of:

- Fund Account — Shows the payments to pensioners and receipts from employers and members and the income, expenditure and change in market value in relation to the investment of funds by the Pension Fund
- Net Assets Statement — Represents the value of assets and liabilities as at 31st March (excluding liability to pay pensions)

2.4 A number of other reports, statements and detailed explanatory notes, which provide additional information are also included within the Annual Accounts.

3. Key Financial Outcomes

The key financial information included within the financial statements is outlined below.

3.1 Main Fund

The Fund Account shows a net increase from dealing with members of **£16m** and a net increase in the fund of **£2,012m**.

The Net Assets Statement shows net assets of **£28.366 billion**.

4. Policy and Resource Implications

Resource Implications:

Financial:	None.
Legal:	The regulatory requirements are as described in the report.
Personnel:	None.
Procurement:	None.
Council Strategic Plan:	Strathclyde Pension Fund aligns with the theme of a well governed city.

Equality Impacts:

Does the proposal support the Council's Equality Outcomes 2022-25	Not applicable
What are the potential equality impacts as a result of this report?	None
Please highlight if the policy/proposal will help address socio economic disadvantage.	

Climate Impacts:

Does the proposal support any Climate Plan actions? Please specify:	Not applicable.
What are the potential climate impacts as a result of this proposal?	Not applicable.
Will the proposal contribute to Glasgow's net zero carbon target?	Not applicable.

Privacy and Data Protection impacts:	None.

5. Recommendations

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