Voting Rationale Sustainable Future Funds Q3 2018

Meeting Date Range: 01/07/18 - 30/09/18

Pennon Grou	ıp plc		
MEETING TYPE:	Annual General Meeting		
MEETING DATE:	04 April 2018		
ITEM	PROPOSAL	MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIO N	VOTE
1	Accept Financial Statements and Statutory Reports	FOR	FOR
2	Approve Final Dividend	FOR	FOR
3	Approve Remuneration Report	FOR	FOR
4	Re-elect Sir John Parker as Director	FOR	FOR
5	Re-elect Martin Angle as Director	FOR	FOR
6	Re-elect Neil Cooper as Director	FOR	FOR
7	Re-elect Susan Davy as Director	FOR	FOR
8	Re-elect Christopher Loughlin as Director	FOR	FOR
9	Re-elect Gill Rider as Director	FOR	FOR
10	Reappoint Ernst & Young LLP as Auditors	FOR	FOR
11	Authorise the Audit Committee to Fix Remuneration of Auditors	FOR	FOR
12	Authorise EU Political Donations and Expenditure	FOR	FOR
13	Authorise Issue of Equity with Pre-emptive Rights	FOR	FOR
14	Authorise Issue of Equity without Pre-emptive Rights	FOR	FOR
15	Authorise Issue of Equity without Pre-emptive Rights in Connection with an Acquisition or Specified Capital Investment	FOR	FOR
16	Authorise Market Purchase of Ordinary Shares	FOR	FOR
17	Authorise the Company to Call General Meeting with Two Weeks' Notice	FOR	FOR

Dairy Crest Group plc		
MEETING	Annual General Meeting	
TYPE:		

MEETING DATE:	17 July 2018		
ITEM	PROPOSAL	MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIO N	VOTE
1	Accept Financial Statements and Statutory Reports	FOR	ABSTAI N
2	Approve Remuneration Report	FOR	FOR
3	Approve Final Dividend	FOR	FOR
4	Re-elect Mark Allen as Director	FOR	FOR
5	Re-elect Tom Atherton as Director	FOR	FOR
6	Re-elect Adam Braithwaite as Director	FOR	FOR
7	Elect Moni Mannings as Director	FOR	FOR
8	Elect John Gibney as Director	FOR	FOR
9	Re-elect Stephen Alexander as Director	FOR	FOR
10	Re-elect Sue Farr as Director	FOR	FOR
11	Re-elect Richard Macdonald as Director	FOR	FOR
12	Reappoint Deloitte LLP as Auditors	FOR	FOR
13	Authorise Board to Fix Remuneration of Auditors	FOR	FOR
14	Authorise the Company to Call General Meetings with Two Weeks' Notice	FOR	FOR
15	Authorise EU Political Donations and Expenditure	FOR	FOR
16	Authorise Issue of Equity with Pre-emptive Rights	FOR	FOR
17	Authorise Issue of Equity without Pre-emptive Rights	FOR	FOR
18	Authorise Issue of Equity without Pre-emptive Rights in Connection with an Acquisition or Other Capital Investment	FOR	FOR
19	Authorise Market Purchase of Ordinary Shares	FOR	FOR

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Resolution 1: We elected to abstain on this proposal as we hold that Boards that are diverse are more able to draw on a wide range of skills, competence and diversity of perspectives and are therefore better able to challenge, debate and fulfil their oversight responsibilities, and generate and preserve shareholder value. The Company is a constituent of the FTSE 250 and has fewer than 30% of women on the Board, this is below our minimum threshold on gender balance.

MEETING TYPE:	Annual General Meeting		
MEETING DATE:	17 July 2018		
ITEM	PROPOSAL	MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIO N	VOTE
1	Approve Standalone Financial Statements	FOR	FOR
2	Approve Consolidated Financial Statements and Discharge of Board	FOR	FOR
3	Approve Allocation of Income and Dividends	FOR	FOR
4	Reelect Rodrigo Echenique Gordillo as Director	FOR	ABSTAI N
5	Elect Pilar Lopez Alvarez as Director	FOR	ABSTAI N
6	Approve Remuneration Policy	FOR	FOR
7	Renew Appointment of Deloitte as Auditor	FOR	FOR
8	Advisory Vote on Remuneration Report	FOR	FOR
9	Authorize Board to Ratify and Execute Approved Resolutions	FOR	FOR
exceed more	& 5: We elected to abstain on these proposal as we than three years as we feel that longer terms of offic to shareholders. The proposed term of office for the	e reduce director	

Biffa plc			
MEETING TYPE:	Annual General Meeting		
MEETING DATE:	18 July 2018		
ITEM	PROPOSAL	MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIO N	VOTE
1 1	PROPOSAL Accept Financial Statements and Statutory Reports	RECOMMENDATIO	VOTE FOR
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4	Elect Carol Chesney as Director	FOR	FOR
5	Re-elect Michael Averill as Director	FOR	FOR
6	Re-elect Kenneth Lever as Director	FOR	FOR
7	Re-elect David Martin as Director	FOR	FOR
8	Re-elect Michael Topham as Director	FOR	FOR
9	Re-elect Ian Wakelin as Director	FOR	FOR
10	Reappoint Deloitte LLP as Auditors	FOR	FOR
11	Authorise Board to Fix Remuneration of Auditors	FOR	FOR
12	Authorise Issue of Equity with Pre-emptive Rights	FOR	FOR
13	Authorise Issue of Equity without Pre-emptive Rights	FOR	FOR
14	Authorise Issue of Equity without Pre-emptive Rights in Connection with an Acquisition or Other Capital Investment	FOR	FOR
15	Authorise Market Purchase of Ordinary Shares	FOR	FOR
16	Authorise the Company to Call General Meeting with Two Weeks' Notice	FOR	FOR

BTG plc			
MEETING TYPE:	Annual General Meeting		
MEETING DATE:	18 July 2018		
ITEM	PROPOSAL	MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIO N	VOTE
1	Accept Financial Statements and Statutory Reports	FOR	FOR
2	Approve Remuneration Report	FOR	AGAINS T
3	Re-elect Susan Foden as Director	FOR	FOR
4	Re-elect Graham Hetherington as Director	FOR	FOR
5	Re-elect Louise Makin as Director	FOR	FOR
6	Re-elect Ian Much as Director	FOR	FOR
7	Re-elect James O'Shea as Director	FOR	FOR
8	Re-elect Garry Watts as Director	FOR	AGAINS T
9	Re-elect Richard Wohanka as Director	FOR	FOR
10	Elect Gregory Barrett as Director	FOR	FOR
11	Elect Duncan Kennedy as Director	FOR	FOR

12	Elect Anne Thorburn as Director	FOR	FOR
13	Reappoint Deloitte LLP as Auditors	FOR	FOR
14	Authorise Board to Fix Remuneration of Auditors	FOR	FOR
15	Authorise EU Political Donations and Expenditure	FOR	FOR
16	Approve Sharesave Plan	FOR	FOR
17	Approve USA Stock Purchase Plan	FOR	FOR
18	Authorise Issue of Equity with Pre-emptive Rights	FOR	FOR
19	Authorise Issue of Equity without Pre-emptive Rights	FOR	FOR
20	Authorise Issue of Equity without Pre-emptive Rights in Connection with an Acquisition or Other Capital Investment	FOR	FOR
21	Authorise the Company to Call General Meeting with Two Weeks' Notice	FOR	FOR

Resolution 2: We determine the vote on the Remuneration Report in the context of overall levels of remuneration. Adhering to best practice guidelines, we will consider carefully where the highest paid Director's salary is above upper quartile for the index, where there are significant concerns over quantum of pay or where significant increases in salary have been granted without a clear justification. Base pay for the CEO/highest paid director is above upper quartile for the index on a balanced comparison which is not justified by either the performance or size of the company. Moreover, the 2016 PSP award for the departing CFO, Rolf Soderstrom, will not be prorated for time, which deviates from good practice. Although the Company has provided an explanation, it does not make it clear why exceptional circumstances apply in this case. In addition, Rolf Soderstrom's contractual entitlements may also result in a bonus for his unworked notice period, which calls into question the need for discretion on the treatment of PSP awards. Resolution 8: We elected to vote against this proposal as this Director sits on 3 external boards (In addition to his role as Non-executive Chair at BTG plc, Garry Watts is Chair at Foxtons Group plc and Spire Healthcare Group plc, and NED at Coca-Cola EuropeanPartners plc). We have concerns about the amount of time he can dedicate to this board, given the number of other boards he sits on.

National Grid plc	
MEETING TYPE:	Annual General Meeting
MEETING DATE:	30 July 2018

ITEM	PROPOSAL	MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIO N	VOTE
1	Accept Financial Statements and Statutory Reports	FOR	FOR
2	Approve Final Dividend	FOR	FOR
3	Re-elect Sir Peter Gershon as Director	FOR	FOR
4	Re-elect John Pettigrew as Director	FOR	FOR
5	Re-elect Dean Seavers as Director	FOR	FOR
6	Re-elect Nicola Shaw as Director	FOR	FOR
7	Re-elect Nora Brownell as Director	FOR	FOR
8	Re-elect Jonathan Dawson as Director	FOR	FOR
9	Re-elect Therese Esperdy as Director	FOR	FOR
10	Re-elect Paul Golby as Director	FOR	FOR
11	Re-elect Mark Williamson as Director	FOR	FOR
12	Elect Amanda Mesler as Director	FOR	FOR
13	Reappoint Deloitte LLP as Auditors	FOR	FOR
14	Authorise Board to Fix Remuneration of Auditors	FOR	FOR
15	Approve Remuneration Report	FOR	FOR
16	Authorise EU Political Donations and Expenditure	FOR	FOR
17	Authorise Issue of Equity with Pre-emptive Rights	FOR	FOR
18	Authorise Issue of Equity without Pre-emptive Rights	FOR	FOR
19	Authorise Issue of Equity without Pre-emptive Rights in Connection with an Acquisition or Other Capital Investment	FOR	FOR
20	Authorise Market Purchase of Ordinary Shares	FOR	FOR

Syncona Ltd.			
MEETING TYPE:	Annual General Meeting		
MEETING DATE:	31 July 2018		
ITEM	PROPOSAL	MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIO N	VOTE
1	Accept Financial Statements and Statutory Reports	FOR	AGAINS T
2	Ratify Deloitte LLP as Auditors	FOR	FOR

3	Authorise Board to Fix Remuneration of Auditors	FOR	FOR
4	Re-elect Jeremy Tigue as Director	FOR	FOR
5	Re-elect Thomas Henderson as Director	FOR	FOR
6	Elect Rob Hutchinson as Director	FOR	FOR
7	Re-elect Nigel Keen as Director	FOR	FOR
8	Re-elect Nick Moss as Director	FOR	FOR
9	Elect Gian Piero Reverberi as Director	FOR	FOR
10	Re-elect Ellen Strahlman as Director	FOR	FOR
11	Approve Remuneration Report	FOR	FOR
12	Authorise Issue of Equity with Pre-emptive Rights	FOR	FOR
13	Approve Waiver on Tender-Bid Requirement	FOR	ABSTAI N
14	Authorise Market Purchase of Ordinary Shares	FOR	FOR
15	Authorise Issue of Equity without Pre-emptive Rights	FOR	FOR

Resolution 1: We elected to abstain on this proposal as we hold that Boards that are diverse are more able to draw on a wide range of skills, competence and diversity of perspectives and are therefore better able to challenge, debate and fulfil their oversight responsibilities, and generate and preserve shareholder value. The Company is a constituent of the FTSE 250 and has fewer than 15% of women on the Board, this is below our minimum threshold on gender balance. Resolution 13: The Board is seeking shareholder approval for the waiver of the obligation that would otherwise arise for Wellcome Ventures ("the Concert Party") to make a general offer to the shareholders of the Company pursuant to Rule 9 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers (the "Takeover Code"). This resolution may give effect to creeping control allowing the Concert Party to gain control of the Company without the payment of a premium to other shareholders. In general we are against Rule 9 Waivers however in this particular case we are less concerned given the nature of the relationship and the specific relationship agreement.

John Laing E	nvironmental Assets Group Ltd*
MEETING TYPE:	Annual General Meeting
MEETING DATE:	15 August 2018

ITEM	PROPOSAL	MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIO N	VOTE
1	Accept Financial Statements and Statutory Reports	FOR	FOR
2	Approve Remuneration Report	FOR	FOR
3	Re-elect Richard Morse Director	FOR	FOR
4	Re-elect Denise Mileham Director	FOR	FOR
5	Ratify Deloitte LLP as Auditors	FOR	FOR
6	Authorise Board to Fix Remuneration of Auditors	FOR	FOR
7	Approve Interim Dividend	FOR	FOR
8	Approve Scrip Dividend Program	FOR	FOR
9	Authorise Market Purchase of Ordinary Shares	FOR	FOR
10	Authorise Issue of Equity without Pre-emptive Rights	FOR	FOR

Rightmove plc**			
MEETING TYPE:	Special Meeting		
MEETING DATE:	22 August 2018		
ITEM	PROPOSAL	MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIO N	VOTE
1	Approve Share Sub-Division	FOR	FOR

Sophos Group plc			
MEETING TYPE:	Annual General Meeting		
MEETING DATE:	30 August 2018		
ITEM	PROPOSAL	MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIO N	VOTE
1	Accept Financial Statements and Statutory Reports	FOR	ABSTAI N
2	Approve Remuneration Report	FOR	AGAINS T
3	Approve Final Dividend	FOR	FOR

4	Re-elect Sandra Bergeron as Director	FOR	FOR
5	Re-elect Nick Bray as Director	FOR	FOR
6	Re-elect Peter Gyenes as Director	FOR	FOR
7	Re-elect Kris Hagerman as Director	FOR	FOR
8	Re-elect Roy Mackenzie as Director	FOR	FOR
9	Re-elect Rick Medlock as Director	FOR	FOR
10	Re-elect Steve Munford as Director	FOR	FOR
11	Re-elect Vin Murria as Director	FOR	FOR
12	Re-elect Paul Walker as Director	FOR	FOR
13	Reappoint KPMG LLP as Auditors	FOR	AGAINS T
14	Authorise the Audit and Risk Committee to Fix Remuneration of Auditors	FOR	AGAINS T
15	Authorise EU Political Donations and Expenditure	FOR	FOR
16	Authorise Issue of Equity with Pre-emptive Rights	FOR	FOR
17	Authorise Issue of Equity without Pre-emptive Rights	FOR	FOR
18	Authorise Issue of Equity without Pre-emptive Rights in Connection with an Acquisition or Other Capital Investment	FOR	FOR
19	Authorise Market Purchase of Ordinary Shares	FOR	FOR
20	Authorise the Company to Call General Meeting with Two Weeks' Notice	FOR	FOR

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remuneration framework is significantly weighted towards shorter term performance and despite a significant dissent at previous AGM, no notable progress over shareholder concerns identified; the large majority of both the annual bonus and PSU awards are measured against billings and EBITDA performance conditions which is likely to result in Directors being rewarded twice for the achievement of the same (short term) performance; and limited prospective disclosure of LTIP targets.

Resolutions 13 & 14: We elected to vote against these proposals as the company has retained the same audit firm in excess of ten years. Mandatory auditor rotation is an effective mechanism for mitigating the potential risks borne by long-term auditor-client relationships, and is a safeguard against improper audits.

NIKE, Inc.			
MEETING TYPE:	Annual General Meeting		
MEETING DATE:	20 September 2018		
ITEM	PROPOSAL	MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIO N	VOTE
1	Elect Director Alan B. Graf, Jr.	FOR	FOR
2	Elect Director John C. Lechleiter	FOR	FOR
3	Elect Director Michelle A. Peluso	FOR	FOR
4	Advisory Vote to Ratify Named Executive Officers' Compensation	FOR	AGAINS T
5 - S	Report on Political Contributions Disclosure	AGAINST	FOR
6	Ratify PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as Auditors	FOR	AGAINS T
Resolution 4: We expect executive pay and company performance to be reasonably aligned. Therefore, we believe that long-term incentives should be based predominantly on performance and we will consider the CEO equity pay mix (performance-based equity vs. time-based) as part of our voting decision. Less than 75% of long term incentive awards are performance based, hence there are concerns about linkage between pay and performance. In line with we policy on Share Plans, performance targets should be disclosed (for both short and long term incentives) and be sufficiently stretching. Performance targets are not applied for incentive schemes (none of the			

CEO's equity awards in FY2018 are tied to performance goals).We are typically opposed to discretionary payments. Discretionary payments have been made (sizable discretionary cash and stock awards for NEOs) and without proper justification by the Company we are typically opposed to discretionary payments. Appropriate vesting levels are expected and the dilution of share schemes should adhere to recommended guidelines. Outstanding options equate to 11.73% of issued share capital which exceeds our limit of 10% (in place because of the potential dilutive impact of share options). Resolution 6: We elected to vote against this proposal as the company has retained the same audit firm in excess of fifteen years. Mandatory auditor rotation is an effective mechanism for mitigating the potential risks borne by long-term auditor-client relationships, and is a safeguard against improper audits.

HELLA GmbH & Co. KGaA			
MEETING TYPE:	Annual General Meeting		
MEETING DATE:	28 September 2018		
ITEM	PROPOSAL	MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIO N	VOTE
1	Accept Financial Statements and Statutory Reports for Fiscal 2017/2018	FOR	ABSTAI N
2	Approve Allocation of Income and Dividends of EUR 1.05 per Share	FOR	FOR
3	Approve Discharge of Personally Liable Partner for Fiscal 2017/2018	FOR	FOR
4	Approve Discharge of Supervisory Board for Fiscal 2017/2018	FOR	FOR
5	Approve Discharge of Shareholders' Committee for Fiscal 2017/2018	FOR	FOR
6	Ratify PricewaterhouseCoopers GmbH Wirtschaftspruefungsgesellschaft, Bremen as Auditors for Fiscal 2018/2019	FOR	FOR
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- * ISS Guidelines applied
- ** Dual Holding vote instruction may differ