

# Jade Far Eastern and General Pension Fund

## Investment Manager's Report

October 2021

### Investment Commentary

The portfolio returned +5.30% percent in GBP terms for the period between May 2021 and October 2021. The TOPIX index returned +5.42 percent in JPY and +2.08% percent in GBP during the same period.

	30 Apr 2021		31 Oct 2021	
	£Millions	%	£Millions	%
Japanese Equities	18.8	98.2	18.7	98.3
Pacific Basin Equities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
North American Equities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
European Equities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
UK Equities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fixed Interest	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cash Deposits	0.4	1.8	0.3	1.7
	<b>19.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Global stock markets largely maintained their upward trend, although in the short term equities were affected by developments in the number of people infected with Covid-19. The ongoing recovery in corporate earnings and progress with vaccine roll-out also contributed to the upward trend, although at times there was downward pressure from the pandemic, disruption to global supply chains, rising raw materials prices and associated concerns about rising interest rates.

The Japanese stock market rose in line with global markets, but was relatively slow to take off.

Although there was a brief period of significant gains on the back of expectation of change following the change of government, the new government's policies were perceived as being more about distribution than growth strategy, which we believe weighed on the market. The Japanese yen depreciated against the British Pound.

With regard to the asset allocation strategy, the portfolio remained fully invested in Japanese equities except for the cash portion which was held at around 2 percent.

Our investment plan is to focus on stock switches within similar industries, taking into account the strength of earnings recovery and medium-term growth potential, based on the assumption that, although there will be waves of infection, the economy will move towards normalization in the medium to long term as a result of progress in vaccination and the development of therapeutic drugs. As the economy gradually begins to normalise, we expect a recovery in service-related consumption along with a recovery in people's movement and activity, following the previously strong recovery in consumption of durable consumer goods and other goods in general. Therefore, we will carefully manage our portfolio with a view to shifting some of the weighting from manufacturing to non-manufacturing, while keeping a close eye on the number of infections and the progress of vaccination roll-out.

### Technical Information

The Jade Far Eastern & General Pension Fund ("the Scheme") is an approved pension fund, administered by Phoenix Life Limited with investment management services provided by Asset Management One International Ltd. On 1<sup>st</sup> October 2011, Bluefin's administrative responsibilities were passed to Broadstone Benefits Consultancy Limited whose contact details are shown on the next page. AssetManagement One International Ltd is responsible for the Investment Commentary and Performance sections and the Statutory Information is provided by Phoenix Life Limited.

### Statutory Information

As at the valuation on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021, the Net Fund Bid Value was £ 18,875,064.41 with 7,276,333.82 units in issue.

Bid Price: 2.594  
Offer Price: 2.731

The assets and liabilities of the Fenchurch Fund were amalgamated into the Jade Far Eastern and General Fund as from 8 December 1999.

### Fund Objectives

The Jade Far Eastern & General Pension Fund was launched on 1 May 1990 in order to provide a suitable investment vehicle for members of the Jade Pension Scheme. It was created to enable Japanese, Korean, and other Far Eastern delegates in the UK to invest their rebated National Insurance Contributions (protected rights) with the opportunity of improving their returns.

The Fund seeks to achieve long-term capital growth by investment, mostly in Japanese and, to a lesser extent, other Asian and International equities, bonds and cash investments, with the overriding objective of outperforming the Japanese TOPIX Index.

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### Performance

	31/10/2016	30/04/2017	31/10/2017	30/04/2018	31/10/2018	30/04/2019	31/10/2019	30/04/2020	31/10/2020	30/04/2021	29/10/2021
Fund offer	204.8	197.8	224.6	226.9	213.2	210.4	227.3	213.1	243.8	248.2	273.1
Fund bid	194.6	187.9	213.4	215.6	202.5	199.9	215.9	202.4	231.6	261.3	259.4
TOPIX Index (yen)	1393.0	1531.8	1766.0	1777.2	1646.1	1617.9	1667.0	1464.0	1579.3	1898.2	2001.2
<b>% Change since:</b>	31/10/2016	30/04/2017	31/10/2017	30/04/2018	31/10/2018	30/04/2019	31/10/2019	30/04/2020	31/10/2020	30/04/2021	
Fund offer	-3.4%	13.5%	1.0%	-6.0%	-1.3%	8.0%	-6.2%	14.4%	1.8%	10.0%	
TOPIX Index (yen)	10.0%	15.3%	0.6%	-7.4%	-1.7%	3.0%	-12.2%	7.9%	20.9%	4.7%	

Source: Bloomberg, Phoenix Life Ltd

Asset Management One International Ltd provides investment management services to Jade Far Eastern and General Pension Fund.

The value of an investment portfolio and the income from it may fall as well as rise and investors may not get back the amount originally invested. Past performance is no guarantee of future performance.

### Charges

A management fee of 1% per annum of the Fund's value is deducted monthly in arrears to meet the investment management and servicing costs of the Fund. Value Added Tax (currently 20%) has been added to the fee. The fee is shared between Asset Management One International Ltd. and Broadstone Benefits Consultancy Limited.

### Risk Level

This fund has been graded as above average risk which we describe as follows:

Funds that invest predominantly in one type of investment or geographical region, for example Japanese equities (shares). Fund prices may fluctuate significantly but offer the potential for good returns over the long term.

This level of risk is typically suitable for investors who are prepared to accept a higher than average degree of risk in order to potentially achieve above-average long-term returns. Investors accept that this will involve a high degree of exposure to equity investments (shares) whose performance may be volatile and thus could lead to loss.

If you are not sure that this fits in with your investment objectives we recommend that you obtain independent financial advice.

### Further Information

Members can obtain information about the Scheme and the Fund from:

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### Important Announcement

Fund Managers reports will no longer be issued to you in paper format. From now on all reports will be available via the Broadstone website at the following address:

<https://www.broadstone.co.uk/jade-pension-report/>

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