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ASSEMBLY
Assembly Standing Committee

11 – 13 March 2022

Title	Investments – Information and Education Session (Assembly Investment Advisory Committee)
Type of Paper	For noting
Assembly or ASC Minute	ASC Minute 21.42 (ASC Meeting held 27 – 29 August 2021)
Consultation	Assembly Investment Advisory Committee Assembly Finance, Audit and Risk Committee General Secretary National Director, Strategic Finance and Administration
Purpose	To provide an information and education session for the Assembly Standing Committee regarding investments and related matters - prior to the July review of the Investment Policy.
Rationale & Findings Summary	<p>Assembly Standing Committee agreed, in August 2021:</p> <p>3. Assembly Investment Advisory Committee <i>Stuart Woodward introduced Documents 13, 13A and 13B, consisting of a summary report and the proposed updated investment policy.</i></p> <p>21.42 It was resolved to:</p> <p>21.42.01 <i>receive the report;</i></p> <p>21.42.02 <i>endorse the updated Assembly Investment Advisory Policy;</i></p> <p>21.42.03 <i>request the Assembly Investment Advisory Committee to incorporate the feedback from the Assembly Standing Committee into a twelve-month review of the policy, which is then brought back to the Assembly Standing Committee for consideration at the July 2022 meeting of the Assembly Standing Committee; and</i></p> <p>21.42.04 <i>request the General Secretary, in conjunction with the Assembly Finance, Audit and Risk Committee and the Assembly Investment Advisory Committee, to provide an information and education session for the Assembly Standing Committee regarding investments and related matters to an Assembly Standing Committee meeting prior to the review of the policy.</i></p> <p><i>(Extract from Minutes of August 2021 ASC Meeting; emphasis added)</i></p> <p>This discussion addresses the request made in item 21.42.04.</p>

	<p>Attached is a presentation “Investments and the Church – Presentation to Assembly Standing Committee March 2022” addressing Minute 21.42.04 – the purpose of which is to inform and educate, and contribute to the policy formulation foreshadowed in Minute 21.42.03.</p> <p>An abridged version of the attached document will be presented at the March 2022 ASC meeting, and form the basis for discussion - with ample time allowed for questions and discussion in plenary session.</p> <p>Although primarily an “information and education session”, feedback from this discussion will also help inform the next iteration of the Assembly Investment Policy (along with feedback already received from August ASC) which is scheduled for presentation to ASC in July 2022.</p>
<p>Attachments</p>	<p>Presentation “Investments and the Church – Presentation to Assembly Standing Committee March 2022”.</p>
<p>Proposals</p>	<p>That the Assembly Standing Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Receive the Report and associated presentation.
<p>Submitted by</p>	<p>Jason Bryan Chair, Assembly Investment Advisory Committee jasonpbryan@gmail.com 0404 876 434</p> <p style="text-align: center;">and</p> <p>Stuart Woodward, Chair, Assembly Finance, Audit and Risk Committee stuartwoodward202@gmail.com 0414 886 346</p> <p>20 February 2022</p>

Presentation: "Investments and the Church – Presentation to Assembly Standing Committee March 2022".

Refer separate Powerpoint presentation, an abridged version of which will form the basis for discussion.