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WELCOME

Welcome to Ownership Day 2026. It's fantastic to see so many people registered to join us today.

Ownership Day is UKSIF's annual flagship conference convening sustainable asset owner leaders. It is a space for pension funds, endowments, foundations, and other asset owners to discuss barriers to progress, solutions, and the regulatory landscape.

The past year has been the biggest for pensions in a long time. There is a real opportunity to drive pensions toward sustainable outcomes that reflect the long-term interests of savers.

Asset owners are the only truly long-term participants in our economy, so I'm glad that today we will be speaking about systemic risks, from climate change to geopolitical instability to social inequality, and how asset owners can use their power to shape the financial services system and influence how money is used.

To ensure that asset owner capital flows at scale, policy and regulation must be in the right place. We need our policy landscape to give asset owners the confidence to invest for the long term.

We are therefore delighted that the Pensions Minister will be joining us as our keynote speaker today. At such a pivotal moment, it is great to have the opportunity to hear directly from government about the pensions bill and much more.

Thank you to all of our delegates for coming, to all of our speakers for sharing their insight, and a huge thank you to our sponsors, Maanch and Morningstar Sustainalytics. Your support makes the event possible.

James Alexander
Chief Executive, UKSIF



AGENDA

08:30-09:30: Breakfast and registration

09:30-09:35: Opening remarks

James Alexander, Chief Executive, UKSIF

09:35-10:00: Keynote: Minister for Pensions

Torsten Bell MP, Minister for Pensions

10:00-10:30: Keynote: The Pensions Regulator

Mark Hill, Climate and Sustainability Lead, The Pensions Regulator (TPR)

10:30-11:00: Coffee

11:00-11:45: Panel: Pension consolidation: where are we now?

Pensions consolidation is reshaping the LGPS landscape, but what are the benefits of operating scale? What does this mean for sustainability teams? What is needed to make consolidation a success? How do we ensure that local investment still gets a look in? What are the long-term implications for the sector?

Michael Ambery, Retirement Saving Director, Standard Life

Patrick O'Hara, Head of Responsible and Stewardship, LGPS Central

Moderated by: **Oscar Warwick Thompson**, Head of Policy and Regulatory Affairs, UKSIF

11:45-12:30: Panel: Engagement with asset managers

Effective engagement with asset managers is paramount. How can asset owners set clear stewardship expectations, assess impact of engagement and ensure that voting decisions align with their priorities? How can they strengthen their oversight of asset managers' engagement and voting practices?

Naomi Clark, Head of Investment Product Management, USS

Vaishnavi Ravishankar, Head of Stewardship, Brunel Pension Partnership

Lindsey Stewart, Director of Institutional Insights, Morningstar Sustainalytics

Moderated by: **Lucy Fitzgeorge-Parker**, Editor, Responsible Investor

12:30-13:30: Lunch

13:30-14:00: Fireside chat: The role of endowments as responsible asset owners

Sufina Ahmad MBE, Director, John Ellerman Foundation

Lisa Stonestreet, Head of Communications & Charity Impact, EIRIS Foundation

Moderated by: **Oscar Warwick Thompson**, Head of Policy and Regulatory Affairs, UKSIF

14:00-14:45: Panel: Systemic risks... we know they exist, but what next?

Systemic risks are more pressing than ever before. How can asset owners identify these risks? What are they? How can they address systemic risks within their investment strategies and stewardship activities? What should be the role of collaboration and policy engagement, and practical approaches to aligning portfolios with resilient economic outcomes? How should they work with asset managers to align their portfolios with resilient economic outcomes?

Bruno Gardner, Head of Climate Change and Nature, Standard Life

Dan Osusky, Chief Research Officer, The Shareholder Commons

Lauren Peacock, Responsible Investment Manager, Scottish Widows

Moderated by: **James Alexander**, Chief Executive, UKSIF

14:45-15:15: Coffee

15:15-16:00: How pension funds can use their power

In this session we will deep dive into recent investor engagement with both BP and Shell. What does engagement look like in the oil and gas space? What are the successes? What is the role of minority shareholders? How does good communication between asset owners and asset managers look?

Katharina Lindmeier, Head of Sustainability Strategy, NEST

Nick Mazan, Oil & Gas Strategy Lead, ACCR

Moderated by: **James Alexander**, Chief Executive, UKSIF

16:00-16:30: Fireside chat: The Governance for Growth Investor Campaign

Caroline Escott, Head of Investment Stewardship and Co-Head of Sustainable Ownership, Railpen

Moderated by: **Oscar Warwick Thompson**, Head of Policy and Regulatory Affairs, UKSIF

16:30: Closing remarks

16:30-19:00: Drinks

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