# Perpetual Superannuation Limited

Perpetual Super Wrap Annual Members' Meeting

12 December 2024



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# Janet Torney Chair

Acknowledgement of Country and Introduction to Key People



# Agenda

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Introduction to key people

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Investment performance and market update

Member services update

Members' questions and answers



## Submit a question

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### **Perpetual Superannuation Limited – key executives**

	Board	<b>Janet Torney</b> Chair & Non Executive Director	Kerry Adby Non Executive Director	Non Ex	<b>n Furlan</b> xecutive ect <b>or</b>	Chris Executive		Mark Smith Executive Director	
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	Key Management		Sam Mosse Chief Risk and Sustainability Officer			Craig Squires Chief Operating Officer			
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Operating		Nikola Gutesa Global Head of Internal Audit			Ilias Kotronakis Senior Manager, Product & Services, Product and Marketing				
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		KPMG External Auditor Andrew Reeves							

1. External service providers may be engaged indirectly via related parties



Chair's address



## **Change of Trustee**

- 1 March 2025 Perpetual Superannuation Limited will retire as the Trustee of the Fund and appoint Equity Trustees Superannuation Limited (ETSL) as the new Trustee (subject to the finalisation of necessary agreements)
- ETSL offer specialised expertise, strong governance, scale benefits and extensive resources.
- ETSL are one of Australia's largest specialist trustee companies and is currently Trustee for 13 superannuation funds
- Perpetual will continue to provide investment management services to the Fund
- There will be no change to the features of the Fund, including investment options offered, fees charged, contact details and the website from the change of Trustee

### **Our strategy**

**Purpose: Enduring prosperity for the lifetime of our members** 

Vision: to be the trusted provider of market-leading superannuation solutions in our chosen segments



**Underpinned by PSL's Risk Appetite Statement** 

### Your Fund as at 30 September 2024



### **Tools & Resources**



## Regulation



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# Kyle Lidbury Head of Investment Research

Investment Performance & Market Update



## **Market Outlook & Asset Class Views**



### **Asset class returns - AUD**

All asset classes experienced positive performance in Q3 2024



**Equities:** Australian equities outperformed global markets. ASX 300 up 7.8% for the quarter. MSCI ACWI gained a healthy 2.6%. **Fixed Income:** Strong quarter for bonds. Global bonds returned 4.0%, Australian bonds 3.0%. **Real Estate:** REITs were a top performer. A-REITs returned 14.3% for the quarter.

Source: FactSet, Returns are in AUD. As of 30 September 2024. All returns are in AUD. Past performance is not indicative of future performance.

Indices: Real Estate – Australia: ASX 300 / A-REIT, Real Estate – Global: FTSE EPRA Nareit Global, Bonds – Global: Bloomberg Global Aggregate, Bonds - Global Credit: Bloomberg Global High Yield, Bonds – Australia: Bloomberg AusBond Composite (0+Y), Bonds - Australian Credit: Bloomberg AusBond Credit (0+Y), Cash: Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill

## **Elections are a source of uncertainty**

Post US election – markets re-focus on fundamentals



US election years usually bring lower returns and higher volatility, particularly as we get closer to November 5<sup>th</sup>.

Timing the market around elections is risky. In 2016 and 2020, markets rebounded quickly after initial election night drops. Sitting out due to election uncertainty risks missing these rebounds.

Investors should maintain a disciplined, long-term approach and avoid reactive decisions that could permanently impair capital.

Source: (L) FactSet - S&P 500 Total Returns (USD). (R) Morningstar - US Large-Cap Stocks (Monthly Returns 1937 - 2023). Data as of 30 September 2024. Past performance is not indicative of future performance.

### Inflation continues to trend lower

Australian inflation has not come down as fast as its peers



Global inflation is moderating, but its pace remains slower than anticipated, particularly in Australia where robust consumer demand and a tight labour market are keeping upward pressure on prices.

Australia's August CPI fall was skewed by government energy subsidies, which saw electricity prices drop 17.9%.

Policymakers face the delicate task of balancing inflation control with supporting economic growth, carefully calibrating rate cuts to avoid both recessionary pressures and a resurgence of inflation.

Source: FactSet Economics Standardized Database, 30 September 2024. Forecast\*: FactSet Economic Estimates (Median broker estimate)

## Labour Markets – the 'last shoe to drop'

Unemployment data continues to elevated even amidst softer inflation



Labour markets have remained relatively tight despite higher interest rates.

Once unemployment does begin to increase, it has historically moved in a meaningful way.

Feedback loop impacts spending behaviour as consumers feel less secure in their respective jobs, which then impacts corporate earnings.

## Australia's Economy has meaningfully slowed

High rates and cost of living pressures are weighing on Australian households



Australian GDP growth was 0.2% in Q2 2024, narrowly avoiding a contraction due to government spending and immigration. (Note: Underlying growth was negative before government spending)

GDP per capita fell for the sixth consecutive quarter, indicating a continued decline in living standards for Australians.

Household consumption weakened significantly, with discretionary spending falling sharply as consumers face high inflation and rising interest rates.

### **Market outlook**

Soft landing narrative intact, however, central banks are walking a narrow path

### We Expect



Global inflation to keep moderating but the RBA likely to remain hawkish with concerns about persistent inflation in Australia.



Chinese stimulus to offer support for markets, but recession risks and lingering valuation concerns warrant caution.



Consumer confidence, labour market dynamics and spending remains key to 'soft landing' scenario.



Geopolitics will dominate headlines and cause short-term spikes in volatility.

### **Portfolio Considerations**



While some areas of the equity market face headwinds from high valuations, opportunities are emerging across a range of sectors as confidence grows and recession fears recede.



If recession risks do increase (not a likely outcome); bonds are expected to provide good downside protection. Otherwise, bond prices should increase as inflation slows and interest rates fall, delivering returns around their current yields.



Despite pressure on office real estate, the outlook for the property sector is brightening. Improving sentiment and the expectation of further rate cuts should remain supportive of the asset class.

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# Adam Balsamo Head of Product and Marketing

Member Services Update



### **Member Services - Client Portal**

Continue to provide you with a simple and intuitive way to access information to help you track and manage your super with real-time data.



### **Client Call Centre**

#### $\bigcirc$ There to help you

Will help answer your questions including helping you navigate the Client Portal.

#### Real time data

Portfolio value data is updated in real time giving you up-to-date view of your investment portfolio.

### **Member Services - Client Portal**

View

transactions

### **Security enhancement with Multi-Factor Authenticator**

We use Macquarie Authenticator app to deliver a more secure way for you and your advisor to manage your account. With the Authenticator you have real-time control to approve transactions and payments, including payments initiated by your adviser.

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### **Member Services - Adviser Online**

Provide Advisers with the information and tools to create your retirement portfolio, manage and monitor contributions, pension payments, income and investment.

### New features introduced during FY24



## Security enhancement with multi-factor authenticator (MFA)

MFA launched for advisors to log in the portal and allow clients to authorize certain advisor initiated transactions. Additional tasks within the Authenticator will be launched progressively through 2025.

#### **New Report Builder**



Provide simplified ad-hod report and template report packs generation with great customization options. The outputs of the report packs have a new and improved design that is consistent across all the individual reports, making it more client friendly.

#### Performance reporting enhancement

Provide insight with headline statistics, visual portfolio movement graph and customized functionality.

### **Adviser Support – Live Chat and Call Centre**

#### Live Chat

Live chat channel provides advisors with quick responses, less paperwork and automatically saved chat history.



#### **Digitisation of forms**

More digitised forms such as Super withdrawal form replacing paper form to improve efficiencies. Super and Pension closure and rollover digital forms are to be launched in FY25.

#### **Dashboard enhancement**

Continue to simplify client navigation with new widgets to put relevant and insightful information upon login, and help advisor stay on top of client requests.



#### **Online transacting uplift**

Term deposits maturity election is uplifted in Adviser Online with a new wizard, with improved auditability with history of maturity instruction update.

#### Still there to help your adviser



For any complex queries, or if the advisor still need to speak to someone after Live Chat, the Adviser Call Centre is equipped with trained consultants to assist.

### **Member Services - Adviser Online**

# **Report Builder** – customised report pack with a new look

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Closing

value

### **Enhanced performance reporting**



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# Thank you.

