

Annual Members' Meeting 2023

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Your invitation

We're committed to helping you achieve your financial goals – whatever they may be. Super's a big part of this so it's important you understand what we're doing to look after it on your behalf.

Your Annual Members' Meeting is your chance to hear from our team about what we've achieved over the 2023 financial year, what we're focusing on moving forward, and what this means for your Essential Super account.

You can find out more about Essential Super, including recent updates, in the enclosed Key Changes Flyer.

We want to hear from you

You can submit questions to our leaders in advance at cfs.com.au/membermeeting.

If we don't have time to get to all the questions during the meeting, we'll provide responses on our website within a month of the event.

Please keep in mind that we're unable to provide personal advice in the meeting.

Unable to attend?

We'll be recording the meeting so if you can't make it, we'll host the meeting recording and minutes at cfs.com.au/membermeeting within a month of the event.

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Event details

Date: Monday 12 February 2024

Time: 6pm – 7pm, Sydney time

Location: Online only

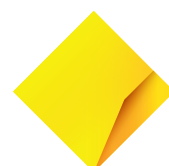
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Agenda

- **Acknowledgement of Country and welcome**
Josh Grace, Group Executive, Customer Office
- **Our strategy**
Greg Cooper, Independent Director and Chair
- **Super fund highlights**
Kelly Power, Chief Executive Officer, Superannuation
- **Investment update**
Jonathan Armitage, Chief Investment Officer
- **Questions and answers**



Additional information

This section has information about the operation of your super fund for the financial year ending 30 June 2023. All super funds are required under super law to provide this information in the same way. If you have any questions, please let us know when you register.

Financial information

This financial summary shows how much we've spent in the past financial year to manage your super fund. The following information is provided as required in accordance with section 29P(3)(b) of the *Superannuation Industry (Supervision) (SIS) Act 1993* and regulation 2.10 of the *SIS Regulations 1994* (the Regulations).

Short-form expenditure summary for the 2022/23 financial year

Category	Total (AUD)
Aggregate remuneration expenditure	\$1,543,521
Aggregate promotion, marketing, or sponsorship expenditure	\$0
Aggregate political donations	\$0
Aggregate industrial body payments	\$0
Aggregate related party payments	\$0

Notes to short-form expenditure for the 2022–23 financial year

Some payments have been counted in more than one category. The expense categories are defined by the regulations in a way that some expenditure is required to be disclosed in more than one category. The total amounts should therefore not be read as representing wholly separate expenditures.

Remuneration expenditure covers the remuneration for the Executive Officers, which includes Independent Non-Executive Directors, Executive Directors, and Senior Managers of Avanteos Investments Limited (the trustee or AIL).

This amount is referable to the trustee in its capacity as trustee across a number of funds.

Promotion, marketing or sponsorship expenditure promotional and educational materials, media, advertising, and partnership arrangements.

Political donations – the trustee does not make political donations.

Industrial body payments – the trustee does not make payments to industrial bodies (employer and employee organisations registered under the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009). The trustee makes payments to various professional industry associations, such as the Financial Services Council and The Association of Superannuation Funds of Australia.

Related party payments represent payments made by AIL to related parties of the trustee, for services provided by those related parties. Some of these payments are also disclosed under 'Aggregate remuneration expenditure'. These payments form part of the related party disclosures set out in the Financial Statements. Payments include investment management costs, promotional and marketing services, group executives and directors' remuneration, rent for office premises and other general administration expenses.

More information

The following additional information and links to a range of documents will be available on our website cfs.com.au/membermeeting:

- summary of Significant Event Notices from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2023
- details of Executive Officer remuneration
- the Member Outcomes Assessment determination
- the Annual Reports for the financial year ending 30 June 2023
- details on how to access your most recent member statement for the 2022–23 financial year.

Changes to the Product Disclosure Statement

For: Essential Super

**New Product Disclosure Statement:
Issue no: 2023/2, dated 27 November 2023**

**Old Product Disclosure Statement:
Issue no: 2023/1, dated 30 June 2023**

This flyer outlines changes we have made to Essential Super.

We suggest you read this flyer to assess whether this information affects your investment or insurance decisions. If you need advice on your personal circumstances, please talk to a financial adviser before making any investment decisions.

The changes in this flyer are included in the new PDS dated 27 November 2023 (new PDS). You can obtain a copy of the most up to date PDS on our website by visiting commbank.com.au/essentialinfo or by calling us on 13 4074.

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Annual statements

We've moved to annual statements to simplify the information you receive from us. You'll now be able to see all of your account activity and performance at once, instead of having to refer to two statements. To keep closer tabs on your account, you can see how your account is going at any point – in real time – via our online portal or app.

Investment option strategy, asset allocation, and benchmark changes

We've made some minor changes to the below investment options. The changes are indicated in the table below and full details are available in the PDS.

Investment option name	New strategy	New asset allocation	New benchmark
Lifestage 1945-49		●	
Lifestage 1950-54		●	
Lifestage 1955-59		●	
Lifestage 1960-64		●	
Lifestage 1965-69		●	
Lifestage 1970-74		●	
Lifestage 1975-79		●	
Lifestage 1980-84		●	
Lifestage 1985-89		●	
Lifestage 1990-94		●	
Lifestage 1995-99		●	
Lifestage 2000-04		●	
Lifestage 2005-09		●	
Thrive+ Sustainable Growth	●	●	●

Fee changes

Changes to total administration and investment fees

Outlined below are the investment options where the total administration and investment fees (including net transaction costs) have increased by at least 0.10% or are at least 10% higher than previously disclosed. Please note, this excludes the dollar-based administration fee of \$60 p.a.

Full details for all investment options can be found in the PDS.

Investment option	Previous total administration and investment fees and costs (including net transaction costs) (p.a.)	New total administration and investment fees and costs (including net transaction costs) (p.a.)	Change
Diversified Index Option	0.17%	0.20%	0.03%
Thrive+ Sustainable Growth Option	0.91%	1.07%	0.16%

Administration fees and costs range increases

On 1 October 2023, we increased the interest rate you receive for holdings in the Cash Deposit Option from 4.14% to 4.30%. This means you're now receiving a higher rate of return if you have a holding in this investment option.

We've since reviewed the administration fees and costs range that applies to this cash option and will be expanding it to bring it in line with the cost of managing this investment option.

What's changing?

On 15 January 2024, the administration fee range will increase for the following option:

Investment option	Current administration fee and costs (p.a.)	New administration fees and costs (p.a.)
Cash Deposit Option	0.35% to 0.50%	0.35% to 0.70%

The Cash Deposit option administration fee is calculated daily and deducted monthly from your investment return before interest is calculated and applied to your cash account. The actual fee may vary and will be published at commbank.com.au/essentialunitprices

As at 27 November 2023, the cash account fee is 0.50% p.a.

Understanding your cash option

The Cash Deposit option works in a similar way to a bank account. You earn interest on the money you hold in this option which is calculated daily and paid into your account monthly.

You can find the current interest rate which applies to this option at commbank.com.au/essentialunitprices

Insurance changes

Improving access to the Total and Permanent Disablement (TPD) benefit

Depending on your age at the date of disablement, different TPD definitions may be used to assess your claim for a TPD benefit.

Effective 27 November 2023, this age requirement has been extended from less than age 65 to less than age 70, for the 'unlikely to do any suited occupation ever again because of specific medical condition' TPD definition.

Update to 'doctor' definition to include overseas medical practitioners

To access an insurance benefit payable if you are diagnosed with a terminal illness or become totally and permanently disabled, you are generally required to provide medical evidence from a doctor who is registered and practising in Australia.

From 27 November 2023, the insurer may now also accept medical evidence from a qualified person who is registered and practising as a medical practitioner in another country with a similar standard of medical care as that in Australia, and who has a formal qualification that is generally equivalent to that required to practise in Australia.

Changes to the reference of 'cover for new events' to 'limited cover'

At least for the first two years, you will generally only be covered for an illness or injury that you are first aware of, on or after your insurance cover commenced. This was previously referred to as 'cover for new events'.

Effective 27 November 2023, the reference to 'cover for new events' has been replaced with 'limited cover'.

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