

Report of the Portfolio Holder for Resources and Personnel Policy

Treasury Management and Prudential Indicators 2024/25 - Mid-Year Report (Q3)1. Purpose of Report

To provide Members with a mid-year, quarter 3 update on the Council's Treasury Management activity and the Prudential Indicators for 2024/25.

2. Recommendation

Cabinet is asked to NOTE the Treasury Management and Prudential Indicators 2024/25 Mid-Year Quarter 3 Report.

3. Detail

Regulations issued under the Local Government Act 2003 require the Council to fulfil the requirements of the Chartered Institute of Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) Code of Practice on Treasury Management and the CIPFA Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities when undertaking its treasury management activities.

As well as the Treasury Management and Prudential Indicators Annual Report that is presented to Cabinet in July each year, there is a regulatory requirement for Members to at least receive a mid-year review. This is intended to enhance the level of Member scrutiny in these areas.

The CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management requires the Deputy Chief Executive to operate the Treasury Management function in accordance with the Treasury Management Strategy approved by Cabinet on 6 February 2024. Details of all borrowing and investment transactions undertaken in 2024/25, up to 31 December 2024, together with the balances at this date and limits on activity, are provided in **Appendix 1**. There are no issues of non-compliance with these practices that need to be reported.

Under the CIPFA Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities, the Council is required to prepare prudential indicators against which treasury management performance should be measured. The objectives of the Prudential Code are to ensure that the Council's capital investment plans are affordable, prudent and sustainable. Fundamental to this is the calculation of several prudential indicators, which provide the basis for the management and monitoring of capital expenditure, borrowing and investments. The Council has complied with its 2024/25 prudential indicators up to 31 December 2024 and details are provided in **Appendix 2**.

4. Key Decision

Not applicable.

5. Updates from Scrutiny

Not applicable.

6. Financial Implications

The comments from the Head of Finance Services were as follows:

This report meets the requirements of the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management and the Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities.

All treasury management activities undertaken during the year complied fully with the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management and the approved Treasury Management Strategy. Further comments are incorporated in the narrative in the executive summary and appendices.

7. Legal Implications

The comments from the Head of Legal Services were as follows:

Treasury Management activities have to conform to the Local Government Act 2003, the Local Authorities (Capital; Finance and Accounting) (England) Regulations 2003 (SI 2003/3146), which specifies that the Council is required to have regard to the CIPFA Prudential Code and the CIPFA Treasury Management Code of Practice and also the Local Authorities (Capital Finance and Accounting) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2008 (SI 2008/414), which clarifies the requirements of the Minimum Revenue Provision guidance. This report demonstrates compliance with the legislative framework.

8. Human Resources Implications

There were no comments from the Human Resources Manager.

9. Union Comments

Not applicable.

10. Climate Change Implications

There are no climate change implications within the report.

11. Data Protection Compliance Implications

This report does not contain any OFFICIAL(SENSITIVE) information and there are no Data Protection issues in relation to this report.

12. Equality Impact Assessment

As there is no change to policy an equality impact assessment is not required.

13. Background Papers

Nil.