

NEWCASTLE-UNDER-LYME BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO FULL COUNCIL

18 September 2019

Report Title: Treasury Management Annual Report 2018/19

Submitted by: Finance Manager

Portfolio: Finance and Efficiency

Ward(s) affected: All

Purpose of the Report

To receive the Treasury Management Annual Report for 2018/19.

Recommendations

- (a) That the Treasury Management Annual Report for 2018/19 be received.
- (b) That the actual Prudential Indicators contained within the report be approved.

Reasons

It is a requirement of the CIPFA Treasury Management Code of Practice and its Prudential Code for Capital Finance that an Annual Report is made to the Council in respect of each year's Treasury Management activities.

1. Background

- 1.1 The CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management recommends that Members should be informed on Treasury Management activities at least twice a year.
- 1.2 This report therefore ensures that this Council is embracing Best Practice in accordance with CIPFA's recommendations in the CIPFA Code of Practice.
- 1.3 The Audit and Standards Committee monitor and oversee the delivery of the Treasury Management Strategy. The Treasury Management Annual Report for 2018/19 has already been reviewed by the Audit and Standards Committee at their meeting on 24 June 2019.
- 1.4 Treasury Management operations are carried out in accordance with policies laid down in the currently approved Treasury Management Policy Statement, backed up by approved Treasury Management Practices and Schedules thereto, and the Annual Treasury Management Strategy Report for 2018/19 approved by Council on 21 February 2018.
- 1.5 The Council is provided with Treasury Management Advisory services for the period 1st April 2017 to 31st March 2020 by Arlingclose Ltd.

2. **Issues**

- 2.1 The Treasury Management Annual Report for 2018/19 is attached at Appendix 1. The economic background and economic forecast included in the report has been provided by the Council's Treasury Management Advisors, Arlingclose Ltd.

3. **Legal and Statutory Implications**

- 3.1 See Background for details.

4. **Equality Impact Assessment**

- 4.1 No direct implications.

5. **Financial and Resource Implications**

- 5.1 There are no specific financial implications arising from the report.

6. **Major Risks**

- 6.1 Treasury management is a major area of risk for the Council in that large amounts of money are dealt with on a daily basis and there are a number of limits and indicators, which must be complied with.
- 6.2 The overriding consideration in determining where to place the Council's surplus funds is to safeguard the Council's capital. Within this constraint the aim is to maximise the return on capital.
- 6.3 Operational procedures, coupled with monitoring arrangements, are in place to minimise the risk of departures from the approved strategy.

7. **Sustainability and Climate Change Implications**

- 7.1 No direct implications

8. **Key Decisions**

- 8.1 Not relevant

9. **Earlier Cabinet/Committee Resolutions**

- 9.1 None directly relevant

10. **List of Appendices**

- 10.1 Appendix 1, Treasury Management Annual Report 2018/19.

11. **Background Papers**

- CIPFA Treasury Management Code of Practice,
- Council's Treasury Management Policy Statement,
- Council's Treasury Management Strategy,
- Local Government Act 2003,
- Local Authorities (Capital Finance and Accounting) (England) Regulations 2003,

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- Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government's revised Guidance on Local Government and Investments and Statutory Guidance on Minimum Revenue Provision
- Arlingclose Ltd. Treasury Management Outturn Report template

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