## Treasury Management Mid-Year Report 2025/06

# Audit Committee 27/11/2025



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#### PART I

### TREASURY MANAGEMENT MID-YEAR REPORT 2025-26 (DoF)

#### 1 Summary

- 1.1 The Treasury Management mid-year report is prepared in compliant with CIPFA's Code of Practice on Treasury Management and covers performance against the Council's Capital Strategy and Treasury Management Policy.
- 1.2 The report is presented to the Audit Committee as the body delegated by Council to undertake the role of scrutiny of treasury management strategy and policies.
- 1.3 The report covers the period from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025.
- 1.4 The Council receives Treasury Management Advice under a contract with Arlingclose limited.

#### 2 Recommendation

2.1 The committee is invited to note the Treasury Management Mid-Year Report 2025-26

Report prepared by: Robert Thurlow, Chief Accountant

#### 3 Details

- 3.1 The report summaries treasury management activity, compliance and performance during the first two quarters of 2025/26.
- 3.1.1 The Council was a net investor throughout the period and managed its cash balances through a combination of instant access bank deposits, term deposits placed with the UK Debt Management Officer and loans of up to 12 months to other local government bodies.
- 3.1.2 The Council's investment risk score and rate of return are benchmarked against peer authorities by the treasury advisors. These benchmarks indicated that the Council is achieving better than typical investment returns with lower than typical risk exposure.
- 3.1.3 The Council's Capital Financing Requirement is projected to increase by £15.929m, as a result of Capital Expenditure funded by borrowing.
- 3.1.4 There was no additional external borrowing during the period, and no external borrowing is forecast to be required for the remainder of the year. Additional borrowing requirement from in-year capital investment will be offset against cash balances (known as 'internal borrowing') in line with the Council's Borrowing Strategy.
- 3.1.5 The Council has complied with all limits and indicators set out in the Treasury Management Policy.

3.1.6 A review of the external context for the period, which covers economic background, financial markets and credit conditions provided by the Council's Treasury Management Advisors, Arlingclose, is included as appendix 2.

#### 4 Policy/Budget Reference and Implications

4.1 The recommendations in this report are within the Council's agreed policy and budgets.

#### 5 Legal Implications

5.1 There are no legal implications arising directly from this report.

#### **Data Quality**

Data sources:

Treasury Live (Treasury Management System)

Arlingclose Investment Benchmarking

Data checked by:

Robert Thurlow, Chief Accountant

Data rating:

1	Poor	
2	Sufficient	
3	High	X

#### **Background Papers**

Capital Strategy and Treasury Management Policy 2025/26.

#### **APPENDICES / ATTACHMENTS**

Appendix 1 – Mid-Year Treasury Management Report 2025/26.

Appendix 2 – External Context for the Mid-Year Treasury Report 2025/26

