



COUNCIL – 25TH SEPTEMBER 2013

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

REPORT BY: ACTING DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES & S151 OFFICER

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval for an amendment to the Authority's Annual Treasury Management Strategy.

2. SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Annual Treasury Management Strategy was agreed by Council at its meeting on the 27th February 2013. This report seeks Council approval for changes to the Strategy in relation to the use of Call Accounts.

3. LINKS TO STRATEGY

- 3.1 Annual Treasury Management Strategy agreed by Council on the 27th February 2013.

4. THE REPORT

- 4.1 Members will recall that an exempt report was presented to Cabinet on the 4th June 2013 proposing an amendment to the Annual Treasury Management Strategy to bring back into use Call Accounts with the Bank of Scotland and National Westminster Bank. The report further recommended that the current £5m limit on each of these accounts should be removed. Cabinet endorsed the recommendations subject to a report being presented to Council.
- 4.2 Members are advised that the Call Accounts are only used to provide additional flexibility for the Treasury Management Team to deal with transactions on a daily basis and they are not used for investment purposes. Daily surplus cash balances are either deposited with the HM Treasury Debt Management Office (DMO) or loaned to other Local Authorities in accordance with the approved Treasury Management Strategy.

5. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 An EIA screening has been completed in accordance with the Council's Strategic Equality Plan and supplementary guidance. No potential for unlawful discrimination and/or low level or minor negative impact has been identified regarding this report, therefore a full EIA has not been carried out.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

7.1 PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are no direct personnel implications arising from this report.

8. CONSULTATIONS

8.1 There are no consultation responses that have not been reflected in this report.

9. RECOMMENDATIONS

9.1 It is recommended that Council agree to bring back into use the Call Accounts with Bank of Scotland and National Westminster Bank and to waive the limit of £5m on each account for transactions during the day.

10. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 To ensure that there is sufficient operational flexibility for the Treasury Management Team.

11. STATUTORY POWER

11.1 Local Government Act 1972.

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