

Cherwell District Council

Accounts, Audit and Risk Committee

25 January 2017

Draft Treasury Management Strategy 2017/18

Report of the Chief Finance Officer

This report is public

Purpose of report

To submit the draft Treasury Management Strategy Statement for 2017/18.

1.0 Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

- To note and comment on the draft Treasury Management Strategy 2016/17.

2.0 Introduction

- 2.1 The Code of Practice on Treasury Management approved by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) and adopted in full by the Council in 2004, requires that a Treasury Management Strategy is produced prior to the beginning of the financial year to which it relates. The Treasury Management Strategy is the cornerstone of proper treasury management, and is central to the operation, management reporting and performance assessment.
- 2.2 The Council re-appointed Sector Treasury Services Limited (now Capita Treasury Solutions Limited and branded as Capita Asset Services – Treasury Solutions) as its Treasury Management advisor in January 2013. The highest standard of stewardship of public funds remains of the utmost importance to the Council.

3.0 Report Details

Draft Treasury Management Strategy Statement 2017/18

- 3.1 The proposed draft strategy for 2017/18 (Appendix 1, to follow) has been updated. It is based upon the views of the Council's Treasury Management Team and has been informed by Capita's market forecasts.

- 3.2 In consultation with Capita and with full reference to the CIPFA Code of Practice, the Council has reviewed its risk appetite and associated priorities in relation to security, liquidity and yield in respect of returns from various financial instruments.
- 3.3 The draft strategy meets the requirements included within the CLG's Guidance on local government investments.
- 3.4 The only significant change to the strategy for 2017/18 is in section 5.2 – Non-Specified Investments. An additional category has been added: Investments with Other Organisations.

4.0 Conclusion and Reasons for Recommendations

- 4.1 There is a requirement to produce a revised Treasury Management Strategy prior to the start of each financial year.

5.0 Consultation

None

6.0 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

- 6.1 There are no alternative options – this is a requirement placed upon all local authorities.

7.0 Implications

Financial and Resource Implications

- 7.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from any outcome of this report.

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Legal Implications

- 7.2 Presentation of this report is in line with the CIPFA Code of Practice.

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Risk Management Implications

7.3 There are no risk implications arising directly from any outcome of this report.

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Equality and Diversity

7.4 There are no equality and diversity implications arising out of this report.

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8.0 Decision Information

Wards Affected

All wards are affected

Links to Corporate Plan and Policy Framework

All corporate plan themes.

Lead Councillor

None

Document Information

Appendix No	Title
Appendix 1	Treasury Management Strategy 2017/18 – to follow
Background Papers	
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