

GMCA AUDIT COMMITTEE

Date: 22 April 2022

Subject: Treasury Management Practices

Report of: Steve Wilson, Treasurer

Purpose of Report

The Authority is required to comply with the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) Treasury Management in the Public Services (the Code) as revised in 2021.

In order to comply with the key requirements of the Code, the Authority should create and keep under review

- a) A Treasury Management Policy Statement, stating the policies and objectives of its treasury management activities, as approved by Authority.
- b) Suitable Treasury Management Practices (TMPs) setting out the manner in which the Authority will seek to achieve those policies and objectives and prescribing how it will manage and control those activities.

The Audit Committee is responsible for ensuring effective scrutiny of the treasury management arrangements.

This report contains updated TMPs to reflect service structure changes from 1 April 2022.

Recommendations:

The Committee is requested to:

1. Note the Treasury Management Practices for the financial year of 2022/23

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Report authors must identify which paragraph relating to the following issues:

Equalities Impact, Carbon and Sustainability Assessment:

N/A

Risk Management

Risks are covered within the Treasury Management Practices

Legal Considerations

This report fulfils the requirement to comply with the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) Treasury Management in the Public Services (The Code).

Financial Consequences – Revenue

None

Financial Consequences – Capital

None

Number of attachments to the report: 2

Comments/recommendations from Overview & Scrutiny

Committee

N/A

Background Papers

None

Tracking/ Process

Does this report relate to a major strategic decision, as set out in the GMCA Constitution

No

Exemption from call in

Are there any aspects in this report which means it should be considered to be exempt from call in by the relevant Scrutiny Committee on the grounds of urgency?

No

1. Background

- 1.1 The Local Government Act 2003 requires local authorities to have regard to such guidance as the Secretary of State may by regulations specify. The Local Authorities (Capital Finance and Accounting) (England) Regulations 2003 specify the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) Treasury Management in the Public Services: Code of Practice and Cross-Sectoral Guidance (The Code) as such guidance.
- 1.2 CIPFA has adopted the following as its definition of treasury management activities:

"The management of the local authority's borrowing, investments and cash flows, its banking, money market and capital market transactions; the effective control of the risks associated with those activities; and the pursuit of optimum performance consistent with those risks."

- 1.3 The high level objectives of the Authority's treasury management activities are set out in the Treasury Management Policy Statement (Appendix 1).
- 1.4 The Code also requires the Authority to maintain suitable Treasury Management Practices (TMPs), setting out the manner in which the organisation will seek to achieve its Treasury Management policies and objectives, and prescribing how it will manage and control those activities. The Treasury Management Practices (Appendix 2) adopted by the Authority are reviewed on a regular basis.
- 1.5 The review of the TMPs incorporates the transition of the treasury service from Manchester City Council.