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CHILTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL CABINET - 16th DECEMBER 2014

Background Papers, if any, are specified at the end of the Report

TREASURY MANAGEMENT REPORT - JULY to SEPTEMBER 2014 *Contact Officer: Jackie Repper - 01494 732084*

RECOMMENDATION

That Cabinet note the treasury management activity in the quarter July to September 2014.

Relationship to Council Objectives

Objective 1: Efficient and effective customer focused services.

Implications This matter is not a Key Decision. This matter is within the Policy and Budgetary Framework.

Financial Implications

Potential for adverse financial implications if a more high risk treasury management policy is adopted.

Risk Implications *Possible risk of financial loss and damage to reputation if less riskaverse stance is taken.*

Equality implications *There are no direct equality implications.*

Sustainability Implications There are no direct sustainability implications.

Report

- 1. In accordance with the Treasury Management policy, this report sets out the activities of the Treasury Management operation for the quarter ending 30th September 2014.
- 2. All of the Council's investments are managed in-house. The investment criteria and parameters within which the treasury section works are set out in the Treasury Management Practices (TMP) document.

3. The table below summarises the transactions for the quarter:

| External Loans | |
|---|-------------|
| Number of loans placed | 32 |
| Total value of loans placed | £26,060,000 |
| Average interest rate on new loans | 0.49% |
| Interest received on new loans | £8,792 |
| Average interest rate (including loans b/f) | 0.63% |
| Interest received (including loans b/f) | £31,554 |

- 4. The average interest rate achieved for the quarter on external loans was 0.63% (2013/14 Q2: 1.07%; 2013/14 year: 1%).
- 5. There were no changes in base rate in the quarter, with the rate having remained at 0.5% since 5th March 2009.
- 6. The total of loans outstanding at the end of the quarter was £15,760,000. The detailed lending list is attached at *Appendix 1* and the table below summarises the spread of the portfolio:-

| Type of Investment | % of portfolio limit | £m | % |
|---------------------------|----------------------|---------|-------------|
| Cash Deposits | 100% | £14m | 89 % |
| Money Market Funds | 75% | £1.76m | 11% |
| Gilts | 50% | 0 | 0 |
| Treasury Bills | 50% | 0 | 0 |
| Certificates of Deposit | 50% or £5m max | 0 | 0 |
| Supranational Bonds | 50% or £5m max | 0 | 0 |
| Total Portfolio | | £15.76m | |
| - of which: | | | |
| Non specified investments | £10m | £1m | 6% |
| Max in Building Societies | 75% | £1m | 6% |
| Forward Dealing | 25% | 0 | 0% |
| Callable Deposits | 25% | 0 | 0% |

7. The in-house treasury team are advised by external treasury management consultants. Chiltern and South Bucks have a joint contract with Capita Asset Services Treasury Solutions at a total cost of £7,500 p.a. of which Chiltern's share is £3,000.

Investment Strategy

8. The investment strategy for the year was updated and agreed by Cabinet on 11th February 2014. The counterparty criteria and parameters within which day to day investments are managed are kept under review.

The Prudential Capital Code - Prudential Indicators

- 9. In accordance with the Prudential Capital Code the Council reviews its Prudential Indicators on a quarterly basis. The outcome of each review is included with this report.
- 10. Movements in the Prudential Indicators for the year 2014/15 to date are as follows:

• Interest rate exposures

The interest rate exposure on investments has moved as follows:

| | Investments as a % of total | | |
|----------|-----------------------------|----------|--|
| Date | Fixed | Variable | |
| 31/03/14 | 31% | 69% | |
| 30/06/14 | 43% | 57% | |
| 30/09/14 | 51% | 49% | |
| 31/12/14 | | | |

This Prudential Indicator sets an upper limit on fixed interest rate exposures of 100% and variable interest rate exposures of 100% of net outstanding principal sums. Exposures have been managed within this limit.

• Principal sums invested for periods longer than 364 days The limit for non specified investments is 100% of total investments, of which up to 50% only can be greater than 364 days. The figures are as follows:

| Date | Total investments | Sums invested for longer than 364 days | % of total investments |
|----------|----------------------|--|---------------------------|
| 31/03/14 | £16.09m | £1m | 6% |
| 30/06/14 | £18.55m | £1m | 5% |
| 30/09/14 | £15.76m | £1m | 6% |
| 31/12/14 | | | |

Sums invested have been managed within the set limit.

Banking services

11. A joint bank tender exercise with SBDC was commenced in January 2014 and the contract awarded in May. The winning bidder was Barclays and CDC switched to Barclays on 15 September 2014.

Background Papers: None