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Wards Affected	All	26 th February 2020	
Title	TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2019/20		

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- a. To report the Council's Prudential Indicators for approval (in accordance with statute and the Council's Constitution)
- b. To report the Council's updated Treasury Management Policy and Strategy for 2020/21 to full Council as background to the consideration of the Prudential Indicators – the Policy and Strategy were formally approved by the Council's Executive Committee at its meeting of 19th February.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 To comply with statutory requirements, the Council is required to consider (and approve) a number of 'Prudential Indicators' primarily relating to the forthcoming financial year (2020/21).
- 2.2 This is not a new requirement it has been in existence for a number of years and is annually discharged by Council at its February meeting.

3. DETAILS

- 3.1 The 'Prudential Indicators' are part of a national data set that require annual consideration by Council.
- 3.2 They are designed to provide a robust yet flexible framework against which a local authority's treasury management activities are undertaken and monitored.
- 3.3 The Prudential Indicators themselves are highly technical in nature and some in calculation. The majority are derived directly from the Council's budgets for the year (in relation to cash flow estimates and capital expenditure plans). As such, they result from applying set calculations to the Councils' budget and spending plans to arrive at a set of indicators that require formal Council approval.
- 3.4 **Appendix A** contains the full list of Prudential Indicators that require Council approval and also contains an explanation of what each of the main indicators represent.
- 3.5 The indicators are an integral element of the Council's Treasury Management Policy and Strategy that was formally approved by the Executive Committee at its meeting of

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19th February 2020. Both of these documents are reproduced at **Appendix B** for background information.

- 3.6 The calculation of the Prudential Indicators and Borrowing Limits are primarily technical calculations, which are derived from the numbers contained in the Council's budgets and resulting capital financing requirement are those reported to the February Executive meeting.
- 3.7 It is important to note that should the Council identify investment opportunities that are in excess of the budgets included in the Capital Programme – these will be considered upon their own merits and may require the Council to formally amend the Capital Programme (and associated Prudential Indicators and Borrowing Limits) as appropriate – Full Council has the power to do this at any point during the year therefore the strategy and associated indicators are capable of amendment (if required).

4. CONSULTATION AND CUSTOMER IMPACT

- 4.1 In terms of Treasury Management activity, there is no direct customer impact.

5. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The Prudential Indicators are in accordance with the Council's Treasury Management Policy and Strategy.

6. USE OF RESOURCES

- 6.1 The Treasury Management Policy and Strategy (together with the Prudential Indicators) provide the framework and parameters that are required to shape the Council's Treasury Management activities.

7. CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 In effect, this report provides the framework for Capital Investment in order to support all the Council's activities and services. The Council's commitment to climate change actions have been the detail of a report to a recent Executive meeting and the actions and policies will be considered separately through the delivery of each capital scheme.

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8. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8.1 That Council approves the Prudential Indicators (as detailed in Appendix A)
- 8.2 That Council notes the Treasury Management Policy and Strategy (as detailed in Appendix B)

Background Papers:

Title of Document: Treasury Management Strategy
Contact Officers: M Dickenson .

Previous Reports/Minutes:

Ref: Exec Report 19/02/2020