

TREASURY MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT STRATEGY 2004/2005

PROGRAMME AREA RESPONSIBILITY: CORPORATE STRATEGY AND FINANCE

CABINET 6TH MAY, 2004

Wards Affected

County-wide.

Purpose

To endorse the Treasury Management Investment Strategy for 2004/05 attached to this report for Council approval.

Key Decision

This is not a key decision.

Recommendations

THAT the Treasury Management Investment Strategy as detailed in Appendix 1, be endorsed.

Reasons

The reporting of expected activities for the coming financial year is required by the Council's Treasury Management Policy.

Considerations

- 1. The Council has adopted and is currently working within CIPFA's Code of Practice on Treasury Management in the Public Services (2001).
- 2. A Treasury Management Strategy for 2004/05 has been approved by members that conforms to the CIPFA Code of Practice 2001. The Strategy was prepared in line with the Treasury Management Policy adopted by Council in February 2002.
- 3. From 2004/05 onwards, the requirements of the Treasury Management Code have been supplemented by guidance from the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM) designed to replace the terms of the Approved Investment Regulation 1990, which cease to have effect from 1st April, 2004. Authorities are required to take the guidance into account under the terms of section 15(1)(a) of the Local Government Act 2003.
- 4. Owing to the late issue of the OPDM guidance in March 2004, this 2004/05 Investment Strategy has been prepared separately for approval from the Treasury Management Strategy. In future, the Investment Strategy will form part of the annual Treasury Management Strategy passed to Cabinet for endorsement before the start of each

financial year.

- 5. The Treasury Management Investment priorities are:
 - The security of capital.
 - The liquidity of investments.
 - The optimum return on investment commensurate with the proper levels of security and liquidity.
- 6. Cabinet is invited to endorse the Treasury Management Investment Strategy for 2004/05 as detailed in Appendix 1.

Risk Management

Risk is managed in accordance with the Treasury Management Policy Statement approved by Council in March 2002.

Consultees

Treasury Management advisers – Sector Treasury Services Limited.

Background Papers

None identified.