

East Herts Council Report

Leadership Team Meeting

Date of meeting: Tuesday 9 September 2025

Report by: Councillor Carl Brittain – Executive Member for Financial Sustainability

Report title: Treasury Management 2024/25 Outturn

Ward(s) affected: (All Wards); None

Summary – The report contains the Council's Treasury Management Outturn Position for 2024/25.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE That:

- a) Members examine and comment on the Treasury Management Outturn and Prudential Indicators for 2024/25**

1.0 Proposal(s)

- 1.1 That Members examine and comment on the Treasury Management Outturn and Prudential Indicators for 2024/25 (Appendix A).

2.0 Background

- 2.1 Treasury management is defined as: 'The management of the Council's investments and cash flows, its banking arrangements, money market and capital transactions; the effective control of the risks associated with these activities; and the pursuit of optimum returns consistent with the Council's risk management policy for treasury management.
- 2.2 This activity was supported by the council's appointed independent advisors – Arlingclose.

2.3 This report has been written in accordance with the requirements of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy's (CIPFA) Code of Practice on Treasury Management (revised 2021).

2.4 This report meets the requirements of both the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management (the Code) and the CIPFA Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities (the Prudential Code).

3.0. Reason(s)

3.1 This Council is required by regulations issued under the Local Government Act 2003 to produce a mid-year treasury management review of activities and the actual prudential and treasury indicators for 2024/25.

4.0 Options

4.1 Members can suggest amendments or additions to the Treasury Management Outturn 2024/25.

5.0 Risks

5.1 Risk management is embedded in treasury management operations through the adoption of the CIPFA Treasury Management Code. Credit ratings, other market intelligence and counterparty limits assist to assess and mitigate risk.

6.0 Implications/Consultations

None

Community Safety

None

Data Protection

None

Equalities

None

Environmental Sustainability

None

Financial

Yes

The costs of treasury operations, debt management expenses and investment income are included in the 2024/25 Medium Term Financial Plan.

Health and Safety

None

Human Resources

None

Human Rights

None

Legal

The Local Government Act 2003 and supporting regulations requires the Council to 'have regard to' the CIPFA Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities and to set Prudential Indicators for the next three years to ensure that the Council's capital investment plans are affordable, prudent and sustainable. The Council also has to 'have regard' to the MHCLG's Guidance on Local Government Investments effective for financial periods commencing on or after 1st April 2018, and to CIPFA's Treasury Management in the Public Services: Code of Practice and Guidance Notes for Local Authorities.

Specific Wards

No

7.0 Background papers, appendices and other relevant material

7.1 Appendix A – Mid-Year Treasury Management Review 2024-25

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