

ANGUS COUNCIL

SCRUTINY & AUDIT COMMITTEE – 21 FEBRUARY 2013
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TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT 2013/14

JOINT REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES AND
THE HEAD OF FINANCE

ABSTRACT

This report seeks Members approval of the proposed Treasury Management Strategy for Angus Council in 2013/14. The production of a Treasury Management Strategy Statement for the forthcoming financial year is a requirement of the Treasury Management in the Public Services Code of Practice issued by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA). This report also presents the 2013/14 Treasury Management Strategy Statement for review by the Scrutiny and Audit Committee.

1 RECOMMENDATIONS

1.1 It is recommended that the Council:-

- a) Approve the proposed Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy for 2013/14 attached as [Appendix A](#) to this report;
- b) Approve the Treasury Indicators in Appendix A – Annex D (Tables 2 and 3).

1.2 It is recommended that the Scrutiny & Audit Committee:-

- a) Note the proposed Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy for 2013/14 attached as Appendix A to this report; and
- b) Provide any commentary considered appropriate at this time.

2 BACKGROUND

2.1 The need to prepare a Treasury Management Strategy Statement is a requirement of the 2011 Treasury Management in the Public Services Code of Practice published by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA). The attached Treasury Management Strategy Statement has been prepared in accordance with this Code.

2.2 The purpose of the Treasury Management Strategy Statement is to develop borrowing, investment and debt rescheduling strategies for the forthcoming financial year based on prospects for interest rates. The strategies adopted take account of the current treasury position and treasury limits in force which will limit treasury risk and the treasury activities of the Council.

3 TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT AND ANNUAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

3.1 The 2013/14 Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy sets out the expected treasury management activities for Angus Council for the

forthcoming financial year and is attached at Appendix A for consideration and approval by Members.

4 ROLE OF SCRUTINY & AUDIT COMMITTEE

- 4.1 The guidance supporting the Treasury Management Code of Practice recommends that each Council delegate the role of scrutiny of treasury management strategy and policies to a specific named body/committee. For Angus Council it is the Scrutiny and Audit Committee that undertakes this role. On this basis the Committee is recommended to note the 2013/14 Treasury Management Strategy Statement and provide any commentary considered appropriate at this time.

5 RISK IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 This report does not require any specific risk issues to be addressed, however members will be aware that the management of risk is an integral part of the Council's treasury management activities.

6 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from the recommendations in this report. An effective Treasury Management Strategy does however form a significant part of the Council's financial arrangements and its financial well being.

7 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are no Human Rights implications arising from the recommendations made in this report.

8 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 The issues contained in this report fall within an approved category that has been confirmed as exempt from an equalities perspective.

9 CONSULTATION

- 9.1 The Chief Executive and the Head of Law and Administration have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

10 CONCLUSION

- 10.1 It is concluded that Members should consider and approve the attached 2013/14 Treasury Management Strategy Statement for Angus Council as attached at Appendix A. Members of the Scrutiny & Audit Committee are invited to consider the attached Treasury Management Strategy Statement and to make any comments considered appropriate.

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NOTE

No background papers as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing this Report.