

COUNCIL
14 October 2020
COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Details of recommendations to Council made at the Audit Committee:

AAG/31 Capital Strategy 2020/21

The report covered the requirements of codes and guidance that the Council must, by statute, have regard to. It included a high-level overview of: how capital expenditure, capital financing and treasury management activity contribute to the provision of local public services; how associated risk is managed; and the implications for future financial sustainability.

The report combined an overview of how capital expenditure, capital financing, treasury and other investment activity contribute to the provision of local public services along with an overview of how associated risk is managed and the implications for future financial sustainability.

RESOLVED

To approve this Capital Strategy as an appropriate overarching strategy for the Council while leaving full Council to approve the updated capital strategy that will accompany the 2020/21 budget to Council.

RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL

- (i) To approve the Treasury Management Strategy for 2020/21 and the associated limits and specific indicators included in section 4 and appendix B of this report.
- (ii) To approve the Investment Strategy for 2020/21 and the associated limits and specific indicators included in section 5 and appendix C of this report.

REASON

- (i) The Council is required to have regard to the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy's Treasury Management in the Public Services: Code of Practice 2017 Edition (the CIPFA Code) and Prudential Code which requires the Council to approve a Capital strategy, Investment strategy and Treasury Management Strategy before the start of each financial year.
- ii) The Ministry for Housing Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) issued revised guidance on local authority investments in 2017 that the Council is required to have regard to.