## REPORT OF THE CORPORATE COMMITTEE No. 02/2012-13 COUNCIL 19 November 2012

Chair: Councillor George Meehan Deputy Chair: Councillor Kaushika Amin

## INTRODUCTION

1.1 This report to full Council arises from the report entitled "Treasury Management 2012/13 Mid Year Activity & Performance update"

## **ITEMS FOR NOTING**

- 2.1 <u>Treasury Management 2012/13 Mid Year Activity & Performance Update</u> (Appendix 1)
- 2.1.1 The CIPFA Treasury Management Code of Practice and the Prudential Code recommends that the report on treasury management 2012/13 mid year activity and performance (Appendix 1) should be reported to Full Council as best practice. The relevant information relating to the Treasury Management 2012/13 mid year activity and performance is set out in the attached report. At the Corporate Committee meeting when this report was considered, it was noted that the council were keeping to their existing strategy of minimising cash balances by using short term deposits with the Debt Management Office and money market fund accounts to enable a fast drawdown of funds when needed and borrowing from other local authorities, with surplus cash, at good completive rates. The Deputy CFO advised the Committee that the Treasury Management Team were conscious that low rates, for borrowing in the short term, would not continue in the long run and they were also continuing to monitor long term rates in order to be in a position to switch to long term borrowing when it became good value for money. Taking into account the current base rate of 0.5% and the interest rates charged by the PWLB for long term borrowing, in general, long term borrowing was still at a premium rate.
- 2.1.2 The Corporate Committee noted the Treasury Management activity undertaken during the first half of 2012/13 and the performance achieved.

## WE RECOMMEND:

(i) <u>Treasury Management 2012/13 Mid Year Activity & Performance</u> <u>Update</u> a) That the Treasury Management activity undertaken during the first half of 2012/13 and the performance achieved be noted.