

Borough of Poole Council

Treasury Management Strategy 2015/16

Equalities Impact Assessment (EQIA)

Aims of the function

1. To provide a strategy based upon the latest CIPFA Treasury Management Code of practice, which enables the Financial Services section to operate the Council's Treasury Management function within the parameters approved by the Council.
2. Treasury Management is defined as "the management of the organisation's cash flows, its banking, money market and capital market transactions; the effective control of the risks associated with those activities; and the pursuit of optimum performance consistence with those risks."

Main users of the strategy

2. Financial Services Accountancy Staff.

Policy Aims

3. The policy aims to establish the Council's Treasury Management operating framework for the 2015/16 financial year. This will include specific criteria in respect of both borrowing and investment activities.

Equality Strands

4. There are 6 equality strands
 - People from different age groups
 - Disabled people
 - People of different faith or belief
 - Gender / Trans people
 - Black and Minority Ethnic people
 - Lesbian, Gay or Bisexual people
5. Equality legislation requires the Authority to address the needs of these different groups of people in the design and delivery of its services. The Treasury Management Policy does not directly impact on any of the services provided to the Council's stakeholders or how those services are structured. However the success of the policy will have an impact on the extent to which sufficient financial resources are available to fund services to all members of the community.

Current Mitigating Actions

6. In the consideration of the Council's Treasury Management strategy and its equality obligations the Council will be mindful of the equality implications within the Borough of both the policy and any subsequent amendments. The Council does not knowingly invest in non-ethical investments.

Responsible officers

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