

To approve continual investment planning

1. Purpose of Report

Improve the investment return on cash held by the MTC.

2. Background

MTC operates three accounts:

- Lloyds Business Account – used for daily financial operations
- Lloyds Commercial Instant Access Account – general funds sit in this account until transferred for pay runs.
- CCLA (Public Sector Deposit Fund Account) – Interest bearing account with same day access providing the request is made prior to 1130hrs. This account currently holds £500k.

MTC income, including precept, CIL, and grant payments, is paid into the Lloyds Business account and then transferred out to the Lloyds Commercial Instant Access account. This often results in large volumes of cash residing in the (very low interest bearing) account.

Outgoing payments from the Lloyds Business account rarely exceed £20,000 in a single week and will only do so if there is a significant invoice to pay, for which MTC receives 30 days' notice.

To maximise the interest earned on cash held, MTC should transfer money to the CCLA (PSDF) account whenever the amount held in the Lloyds account is excessive.

3. Proposal

- A. To authorise the Town Clerk, with approval from the Mayor or the Chair of Policy & Resources, to transfer funds between the Lloyds Commercial Instant Access and CCLA (PSDF) accounts, to maximise the CCLA (PSDF) balance, while maintaining a minimum of £50k in the Lloyds account.

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