



**Corporate Policy and
Resources Committee**

Thursday, 18 July 2024

**Subject: Budget and Treasury Monitoring - Quarter 1 2024/2025 (partial)
(1st April 2024 to 31st May 2024)**

Report by:	Director of Corporate Services
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Purpose / Summary:	This report sets out the revenue, capital and treasury management activity from 1 st April 2024 to 31 st May 2024. Due to committee timings, we bring a two month report to the June committee meeting.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

REVENUE

- a) Members accept the forecast out-turn position of a £0.524m net contribution to reserves as of 31st May 2024 (see Section 2) relating to revenue activity.
- b) Members accept the use of Earmarked Reserves approved by the Chief Finance Officer using Delegated powers (2.4.1).
- c) Members accept the contributions to Earmarked Reserves approved by the Chief Finance Officer using Delegated powers (Section 2.4.2).

CAPITAL

- d) Members accept the current projected Capital Outturn position of £31.998m (Section 3).
- e) Members approve the amendments to the Capital Schemes as detailed in 3.2.

TREASURY

- f) Members accept the report, the treasury activity and the prudential indicators (Section 4).

IMPLICATIONS

Legal: None arising as a result in this report.

Financial : FIN/28/25/CPR/SL

REVENUE

The draft revenue forecast out-turn position for 2024/2025 is a net contribution to reserves (underspend) of £0.524m relating to revenue activity as of 31st May 2024.

The forecast General Fund Balance as of 31st March 2025 is £2.325m (excluding carry forwards). This is £0.325m above the minimum working balance of £2.0m agreed by this Committee.

The items with significant variances are contained within this report at 2.1 and 2.2.

CAPITAL

The capital programme forecast outturn for 2024/2025 is expenditure of £31.998m against a revised budget of £36.973m, a variance of £4.975m.

The amendments to the 2024/2025 capital scheme are detailed at 3.2.

TREASURY

The Treasury Management activities during the reporting period are disclosed in the body of this report. Total external borrowing is currently £24.0m.

There have been no breaches of Treasury or Prudential Indicators within the period of this report.

Average investments for the quarter 1 (April - May) were £21.762m, which achieved an average rate of interest of 5.207% (January - March was 21.581m, 5.309%).

Staffing:

Salary budgets 2024/2025 were based on an estimated 3.5% pay award across all scale points.

There are 4 separate negotiations for pay award:

1. Chief Officer Pay
2. NJC Local Government Staff
3. Chief Executive Pay
4. Locally Determined Pay Points

Pay award negotiations are ongoing, the latest employer offer as of 17th May 2024 being:

- With effect from 1 April 2024, an increase of £1,290 (pro-rata for part-time employees) to be paid as a consolidated, permanent addition on all NJC pay points 2 to 43 inclusive.
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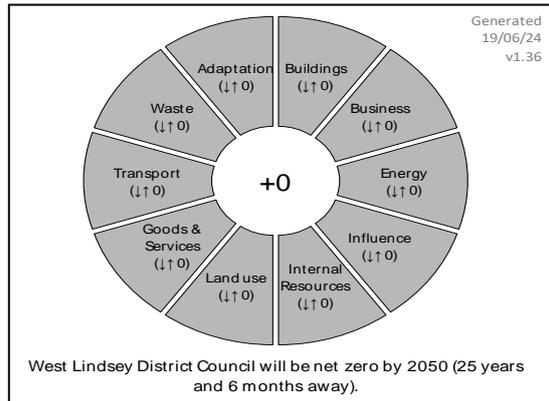
The forecast outturn as of 31st May 2024 is based on current pay scales pending agreement of the 2024/2025 pay award, resulting in an underspend against budget of £0.474m.

If the latest employer offer was agreed, this would result in additional costs of c£0.512m. Whilst the offer is an average of 3.5% across all scale points which is the increase built into the 2024/2025 MTFP, due to the weighting of the proposal there would be additional cost of £0.038m when compared to the budgeted amount. We have not built this into the forecast yet as we await further notification from the Employee Side negotiations.

Equality and Diversity including Human Rights: None arising as a result of this report.

Data Protection Implications: None arising as a result of this report.

Climate Related Risks and Opportunities: None arising as a result of this report.



Section 17 Crime and Disorder Considerations: None arising as a result of this report.

Health Implications: None arising as a result of this report.

Title and Location of any Background Papers used in the preparation of this report : N/A

Risk Assessment: This is a monitoring report only.

Call in and Urgency:

Is the decision one which Rule 14.7 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules apply?

i.e., is the report exempt from being called in due to urgency (in consultation with C&I chairman)

Yes

No

Key Decision:

A matter which affects two or more wards, or has significant financial implications

Yes

No

1. Executive Summary

This report provides the oversight of financial performance at the end of Quarter 1 2024/2025 for:

REVENUE

- Revenue Forecast Out-Turn (after carry-forwards) – Contribution to Reserves £0.524m. (-2.92% of Net Revenue Budget – see 2.1 for details of significant variances).
- **Appendices included within the report:**
 1. Capital Investment Programme – budget monitoring table as of 31st May 2024.
 2. Link Asset Services Updated Interest Rate Forecast 29 May 2024.
 3. Link Treasury Services Monthly Investment Analysis Review May 2024.
 4. UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) Update Qtr. 1 2024/2025.

CAPITAL

- Capital Actual Out-Turn: Final outturn £31.998m against a revised budget of £36.973m, resulting in a variance of £4.975m.
- £5.04m being net underspends on scheme budgets, and £0.065m increase to scheme budgets.

Members are asked to note:

- Underspend on schemes of £5.04m detailed at 3.2.1
- Increase to scheme budgets of £0.065m detailed at 3.2.2
- Movement of budget between schemes detailed at 3.2.3

Underspends	£m
Capital Enhancements to Council Properties	(0.040)
Trinity Arts Centre Improvements	(5.000)
Total	(5.040)

Increase in Scheme Budgets	£m
Disabled Facilities Grants	0.065
Total	0.065

Movement of Budgets between Schemes	£m
From	
5-7 Market Place Redevelopment	(0.001)
Thriving Gainsborough - Whitton Gardens	(0.406)
To	
Thriving Gainsborough - Townhall THI	0.001
Thriving Gainsborough - Pocket Park	0.405
Thriving Gainsborough - Market Place/Streetscape	0.001

Variance Again Revised Budget	(4.975)
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TREASURY MANAGEMENT

Treasury Management Report and monitoring:

- Investments held as of 31st May 2024 were:
 - Average investment interest rate for April to May was 5.207%.
 - Total Investments at the end of Quarter 1 were £17.965m.

The tables below reflect the movement on our investments and borrowing in Quarter 1:

Investment Movements	Qtr. 1 £'m
Investments B/fwd. (at 31.03.2024 including cash held at bank)	20.272
(Less) Net Capital expenditure/ Funding received	(2.347)
Add PWLB/Other LA Borrowing in year	5.000
Add/(Less) Net Revenue Expenditure	(7.027)
Add/(Less) Net Collection Fund Movement (Ctax/NNDR)	2.129
Investments carried forward (at Period end)	18.027

The prudential borrowing position reflects actual borrowing undertaken from the Public Works Loans Board/Other Local Authorities and the amount of internal borrowing required to meet the actual costs of borrowing up to the 31st of May 2024. Internal Borrowing is an approved practice whereby external borrowing is delayed by using cash held for other purposes. It allows us to avoid paying interest until the original expenditure planned for the internally borrowed cash is required.

	Qtr. 1 £'000
Prudential Borrowing	£'000
Total External Borrowing (PWLB)	14,000
Other Local Authorities	10,000
Internal Borrowing	12,159
Total Prudential Borrowing at 31.05.2024	36,156

FINAL REVENUE BUDGET OUTTURN 2024/2025

2. The Revenue budget forecast out-turn for 2024/2025 currently stands at a net contribution to reserves of **£0.524m** as detailed in the table below.

Details of headline variances by Cluster can be found below at 2.1 and 2.2.

Cluster	Base Budget £	Revised Budget £	Forecast Outturn £	Outturn Variance before Cfws £	Carry Forwards £	Outturn Variance after Cfws £
Our Council	8,224,800	8,685,800	8,556,414	(129,386)	0	(129,386)
Our People	1,715,100	1,802,900	1,675,938	(126,962)	0	(126,962)
Our Place	4,705,100	4,989,000	4,739,807	(249,193)	0	(249,193)
Covid 19 Business Support Grants	0	0	2,400	2,400	0	2,400
Grand Total	14,645,000	15,477,700	14,974,560	(503,140)	0	(503,140)
Interest Receivable	(658,200)	(658,200)	(683,600)	(25,400)	0	(25,400)
Investment Income - Property Portfolio	(1,568,400)	(1,568,400)	(1,564,254)	4,146	0	4,146
Drainage Board Levies	531,900	531,900	531,900	0	0	0
Parish Precepts	2,700,700	2,700,700	2,700,700	0	0	0
Interest Payable	692,700	692,700	692,700	0	0	0
MRP/VRP (repayment of borrowing)	959,300	959,300	959,300	0	0	0
Net Revenue Expenditure	17,303,000	18,135,700	17,611,305	(524,395)	0	(524,395)
Transfer to / (from) General Fund	(52,700)	(880,800)	(880,800)	0	0	0
Transfer to / (from) Earmarked Reserves	1,248,600	1,244,000	1,244,600	600	0	600
Amount to be met from Government Grant or Council Tax	18,498,900	18,498,900	17,975,105	(523,795)	0	(523,795)
Funding Income						
Business Rate Retention Scheme	(5,796,700)	(5,796,700)	(5,796,700)	0	0	0
Collection Fund Surplus - Council Tax	(290,000)	(290,000)	(290,000)	0	0	0
Parish Councils Tax Requirement	(2,700,700)	(2,700,700)	(2,700,700)	0	0	0
New Homes Bonus	(845,300)	(845,300)	(845,300)	0	0	0
Other Government Grants	(1,113,900)	(1,113,900)	(1,113,900)	0	0	0
Council Tax Requirement	(7,752,300)	(7,752,300)	(7,752,300)	0	0	0
TOTAL FUNDING	(18,498,900)	(18,498,900)	(18,498,900)	0	0	0
Balanced Budget / Funding Target	0	0	(523,795)	(523,795)	0	(523,795)

2.1 The significant incremental variances against the approved budgets being:

KEY:	
↑	improved position (i.e. increased surplus, or reduction in pressure)
↔	no change
↓	worsened position (i.e. decrease in surplus, or increase in pressure)

Cluster	EXPENDITURE	Total £000	Direction of Travel From Prev. Qtr.
BUDGET UNDERSPENDS			
Our Council / Our People / Our Place	Salary (underspends) / pressure. (£474k) impact of pay award not yet agreed/applied, (£62k) underspend arising from vacancies offset by pressures due to temporary resources appointed to cover vacant posts.	(£536)	New
Our Council / Our Place	Fuel - average price per litre to date £1.16, forecast £1.20 for remainder of year (compared to £1.14 average price per litre for the year 2023/2024).	(£53)	New
PRESSURES			
Various forecast outturn variances <£10k		£2	New
		(£587)	
Cluster	INCOME	Total £000	Direction of Travel From Prev. Qtr.
BUDGETED INCOME NOT ACHIEVED			
Our Council	Commercial Waste income aligned to updated Business Plan approved March 2024.	£63	New
		£63	
TOTAL VARIANCE		(£524)	

2.2 Significant items (>£10k) of note by Cluster:

2.2.1 Our Council

- Commercial Waste** is forecasting a shortfall in income of £0.063m. This is reflective of the Business Plan approved by Corporate Policy and Resources committee 21st March 2024, which included an estimated £0.073m net pressure in 2024/2025. The Business Plan will be reflected in the Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) from 2025/2026.

2.2.2 Our Place

- **Fuel** – There is a forecast underspend against fuel budgets of £0.053m. The average fuel price to date is £1.16 per litre, with an average price of £1.20 per litre forecast for the remainder of the year (compared to the average price paid per litre during 2023/2024 of £1.14).

2.2.3 Establishment

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- An underspend of £0.536m is reported against employee costs:

The impact of the pay award not yet agreed/applied is £0.474m with the remaining underspend of £0.062m due to vacancies above the 2% vacancy factor, offset by pressures due to the appointment of temporary resources to cover vacancies.

2.3 Fees and Charges

- 2.3.1 £2.215m has been received in Fees and Charges income during 2024/2025 to date against a budget of £2.111m, a gain of £0.104m.

The significant variance forecast for the year end is:

- Shortfall in Commercial Waste income of **£0.063m** (see 2.2.1 for details)

2.4 Use of and Contribution to Reserves – Net Movement to Reserves **£0.0.47m.**

2.4.1 Use of Reserves – Delegated Decision - **£0.055m**

The Chief Finance Officer has used delegated powers to approve the use of earmarked reserves up to £0.05m.

- £0.005m from Revenue Grants Unapplied Reserve. Department for Levelling Up, Homes and Communities (DLUHC) Installing chess tables in parks and public spaces grant.
- £0.006m from Revenue Grants Unapplied Reserve. HM Land Registry grant – Local Land Charges migration.
- £0.044m from Health and Wellbeing Reserve. Good Homes Alliance pilot project.

2.4.2 Contribution to Reserves - **£0.009m**

- £0.009m to Communities at Risk Reserve. Originally drawn down for the Warm Packs Contribution, to be returned to reserve as funding now met from the Household Support Fund (HSF) grant.

2.5 Grants

As of 1st April 2024, we had an amount of £0.706m relating to grants received which had yet to be expended. Budget provision will be created throughout the financial year as required to deliver projects in accordance with grant terms. The forecast balance as of 31st March 2025 is £0.559m.

2.5.1 Successful Grant Bids and New Grant determinations

The following grants have been received/awarded during this period:

Grant Issued By	Name of Grant	£
Department for Work & Pensions (DWP)	Rent Allowance	2,451,225
Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs (DEFRA)	Food Waste Collections	1,023,179
Department for Levelling Up, Homes and Communities (DLUHC)	Homelessness	299,691
Department for Levelling Up, Homes and Communities (DLUHC)	New Home Bonus	211,316
Nottingham City Council	Homes Upgrade Grant (HUG2)	130,841
Lincolnshire County Council	Household Support Fund	70,520
Department for Work & Pensions (DWP)	Housing Benefit Admin Grant	55,678
Department for Levelling Up, Homes and Communities (DLUHC)	Funding Guarantee	52,712
Department for Work & Pensions (DWP)	Discretionary Housing Payments	35,085
Department for Levelling Up, Homes and Communities (DLUHC)	Domestic Abuse	34,173
Department for Levelling Up, Homes and Communities (DLUHC)	Transparency Code	33,453
National Heritage Lottery	Townscape Heritage (THI)	26,014
Midlands Net Zero Hub (MNZH)	Electrification of Depots	25,000
Department for Work & Pensions (DWP)	Misc. Housing Benefit Grants	19,616
Department for Levelling Up, Homes and Communities (DLUHC)	Redmond Review	18,447
Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs (DEFRA)	Biodiversity Grant	14,994
Home Office	Asylum Dispersal Grant	14,000
Department for Levelling Up, Homes and Communities (DLUHC)	Electoral Integrity	5,907
Department for Levelling Up, Homes and Communities (DLUHC)	Service Grant	3,517
		4,525,369

Income and expenditure budgets will be created to reflect the grant being received and spend activity where applicable.

Other Items for information

2.6 Planning Appeals

In Quarter 1 2024/2025, to the end of May 2024, there were three appeals determined – two of which were dismissed, one allowed.

There is one live application for costs which is awaiting decision. Appeal costs are not budgeted for and therefore any costs allowed will be a direct loss to the Council.

Period	Number of Appeals	Allowed	Dismissed
April	1	0	1
May	2	1	1
Total for Quarter 1	3	1	2

2.7 Aged Debt Summary – Sundry Debtors Aged Debt Summary Quarter 1 2024/2025 Monitoring Report

At the end of May 2024, there was a total of £0.231m outstanding debt in the system over 90 days. Much of this debt was over 150 days old (95%) and comprised of:

- Housing £0.088m
- Electoral Services £0.053m
- Environmental Services £0.002m
- Property Services £0.013m

For each of these areas the debt recovery process is under way for all debt over 90 days, payment plans are being put in place where possible.

- Housing Benefits overpayments £0.011m the majority of which will look to be recovered through ongoing entitlement or where appropriate on agreed repayment schedules.

The level of outstanding debt for the same period 2023/2024 is provided below for information:

2023/2024 Total £	Month	90 – 119 days £	120 – 149 days £	150+ days £	2023/2024 Total £
233,249	Quarter 1 - ending May 2024	5,145	5,541	220,623	231,309

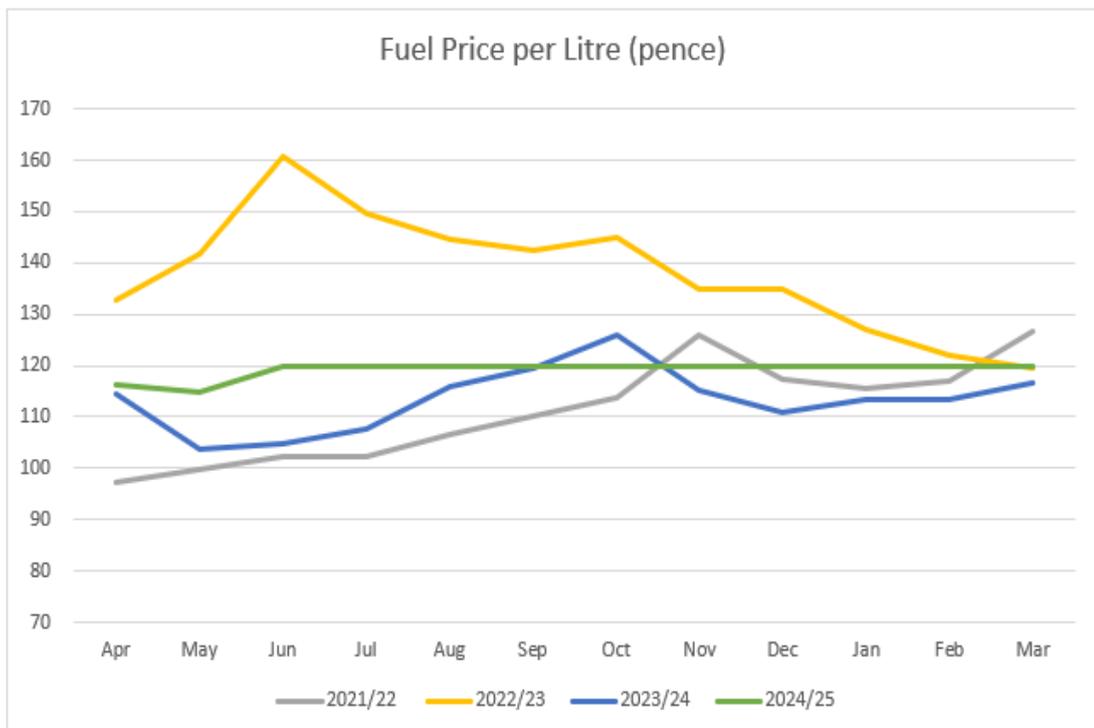
2.8 Changes to the Organisation Structure

- 2.8.1 A Homes and Health Restructure was approved during the period with an overall saving of £0.024m during 2024/2025.
- 2.8.2 Corporate Policy and Resources Committee (17th January 2024) approved the appointment of two additional enforcement officers for a two-year fixed-term period. The posts are to be funded via the draw down of £0.089m from the Communities at Risk Reserve and £0.089m from General Fund Balances. Both posts have been recruited to with a forecast cost of £0.059m for 2024/2025.

2.9 Fuel

- 2.9.1 The chart below shows the actual price paid per litre of fuel, in pence, for each year from 2021/2022 to 2024/2025.

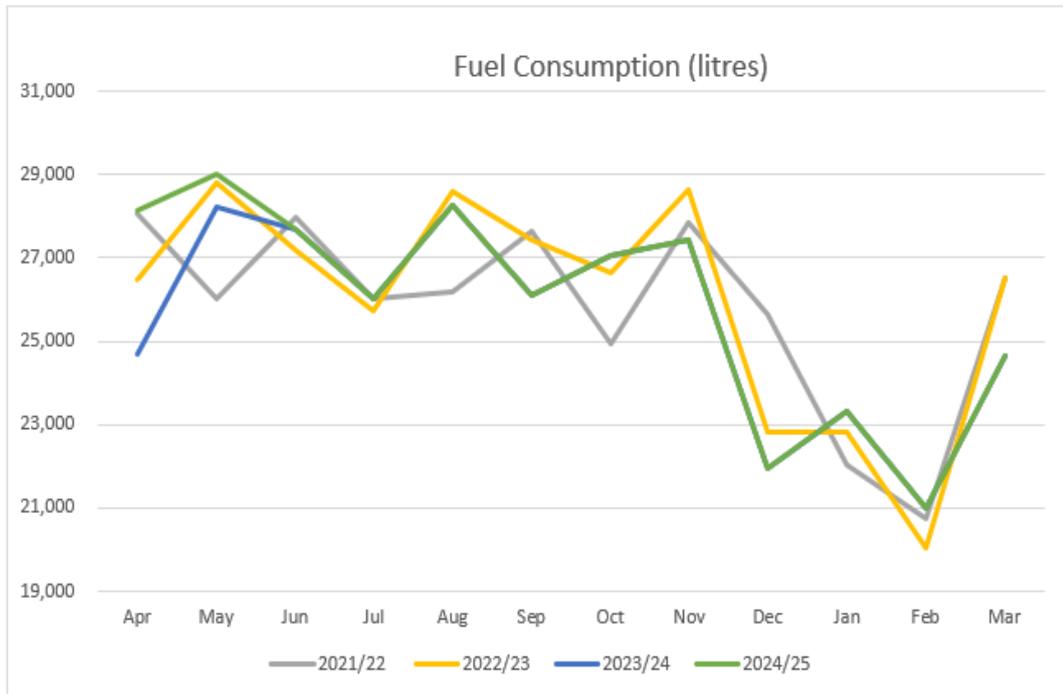
The prices shown for 2024/2025 are actuals to date, for the period April to May 2024, at an average of £1.16 per litre. The average price paid per litre during 2023/2024 was £1.14.



- 2.9.2 The chart below show the actual volume of fuel purchased, in litres, for each year from 2021/2022 to 2024/2025. The volumes shown for 2024/2025 are actuals to date, for the period April to May 2024, with estimates for the remainder of the year based on the previous years' consumption.

There is a drop in fuel purchased December to February, which reflects the

pause in Garden Waste collections.



3.1 CAPITAL UPDATE – Quarter 1 2024/2025

3.1.1 The Capital Budget forecast out-turn is £31.998m against a revised budget of £36.973m. This results in a variance (underspend) of **£4.975m**.

This is made up of:

- **£5.040m** net underspend
- **£0.065m** requested increase to schemes for 2024/2025

3.1.2 Individual Schemes are detailed in the table contained within the report at **Appendix 1** with commentary provided on performance.

3.2 Capital Programme Amendments 2024/2025

The detailed capital monitoring table is included within the report at **Appendix 1**. The amendments to the following schemes are requested:

3.2.1 Net Underspend Position - **£5.040m**

- **Capital Enhancements to Council Properties** – repairs to 9 Lord Street windows which have already been carried out by the tenant resulting in an underspend of **£0.040m**.
- **Trinity Arts Centre Improvements** – To be removed from the capital programme due to uncertainty around funding of the scheme. If resources are identified to progress the works in the future a report will be brought before committee to reinstate a budget into the capital programme. **£5.000m**.

3.2.2 Increase to Scheme Budgets - **0.065m**

- **Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG)** - DFG top up grant £0.061m from DLUHC, landlord contributions to DFG £0.004m. Total increase **£0.065m**.

3.2.3 Movement of Budget Between Schemes

Movement of Budgets between Schemes	£m
From	
5-7 Market Place Redevelopment	(0.001)
Thriving Gainsborough - Whitton Gardens	(0.406)
To	
Thriving Gainsborough - Townhall THI	0.001
Thriving Gainsborough - Pocket Park	0.405
Thriving Gainsborough - Market Place/Streetscape	0.001
Total	0.000

3.3 Acquisitions, Disposals and Capital Receipts

3.3.1 The Council has made no land acquisition during Quarter 1.

3.3.2 The Council has made no asset disposals during Quarter 1.

3.3.3 Capital Receipts - The total value of capital receipts received in 2024/2025 at the end of Quarter 1 total £0.062m:

- £0.055m from the Housing Stock Transfer Agreement share of Right to Buy receipts
- £0.007m repayments of DFG Grants

4. TREASURY MONITORING – Quarter 1 (April – May 2024)

The Treasury Management Strategy Statement (TMSS) for 2024/2025, which includes the Annual Investment Strategy, was approved by the Council on 4th March 2024. It sets out the Council’s investment priorities as being:

- Security of capital;
- Liquidity; and
- Yield.

The Council will aim to achieve the optimum return (yield) on its investments commensurate with proper levels of security and liquidity. In the current economic climate, it is considered appropriate to keep investments short term to cover cash flow needs, but also to seek out value available in periods up to 12 months with highly credit rated financial institutions, using our suggested creditworthiness approach, including a minimum sovereign credit rating and Credit Default Swap (CDS) overlay information.

4.1 Officers can confirm that there have been no breaches of Prudential Indicators as detailed at 4.9 below.

4.2 Interest received (April - May) has been more than the average 7-day Sterling Overnight Index Average (SONIA) (5.1990%) with an average yield of 5.207% (including CCLA) and 5.149% (excluding CCLA). The Council budgeted to receive £0.651m of investment income during 2024/25.

4.3 Interest Rate Forecasts

The Council’s treasury advisors, Link Asset Services, have provided the following forecasts in early June 2024:

LINK GROUP – MAY 2024

	End Q2 2024	End Q3 2024	End Q4 2024	End Q1 2025	End Q2 2025	End Q3 2025	End Q4 2025	End Q1 2026	End Q2 2026	End Q3 2026	End Q4 2026	End Q1 2027
Bank Rate	5.25%	5.00%	4.50%	4.00%	3.50%	3.25%	3.25%	3.25%	3.25%	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%
5yr PWLB Rate	4.90%	4.70%	4.50%	4.30%	4.10%	4.00%	3.90%	3.90%	3.90%	3.90%	3.90%	3.80%
10yr PWLB Rate	5.00%	4.80%	4.60%	4.40%	4.30%	4.10%	4.10%	4.10%	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%	3.90%
25yr PWLB Rate	5.30%	5.20%	5.00%	4.80%	4.70%	4.50%	4.50%	4.40%	4.40%	4.40%	4.30%	4.30%
50yr PWLB Rate	5.10%	5.00%	4.80%	4.60%	4.50%	4.30%	4.30%	4.20%	4.20%	4.20%	4.10%	4.10%

Appendix 2 details Link Asset Services detailed commentary on Interest Rate Forecasts (as at end of May).

4.4 Investments

The Council held investments of £17.965m on 31st May 2024. The table below details these investments for Quarter 1:

	Qtr. 1
Investments at Qtr. 1	£'000
LGIM Money Market Fund	5,600
CCLA Money Market Fund	5,500
Local Authority	4,000
Lloyds Bank Deposit Account	500
CCLA Property Fund	2,000
Insight Money Market Fund	365
Total	17,965

Link Treasury Services Monthly Investment Analysis Review May 2024 is included in **Appendix 3**.

4.5 Investment in Local Authority Property Fund (CCLA)

The total the Council has invested now stands at £2m (of an approved £4m). Interest is receivable on a quarterly basis.

4.6 New External Borrowing

External temporary borrowing of £5.000m was repaid in May 2024 and new external temporary borrowing was taken at £5.000m.

The Council's total external borrowing stands at £24.0m.

4.7 Total Prudential Borrowing at Quarter 1

	Qtr. 1
Prudential Borrowing	£'000
Total External Borrowing	24,000
Total Internal Borrowing	12,156
Total Prudential Borrowing	36,156

4.8 Borrowing in advance of need

The Council has not borrowed in advance of need during the period ending 31st May 2024.

4.9 Compliance with Treasury and Prudential Limits

It is statutory duty for the Council to determine and keep under review the affordable borrowing limits. The Council's approved Treasury and Prudential Indicators (affordability limits) are included in the approved Treasury Management Strategy (TMS).

During the financial year to date the Council has operated within these treasury and prudential indicators and in compliance with the Council's Treasury Management Practices.

The prudential and treasury Indicators are shown below and consider the revisions to the Capital Programme as detailed in section 3 of this report.

	Original £'000	Qtr. 1 £'000
Treasury Indicators		
Authorised limit for external debt	29,155	29,155
Operational boundary for external debt	24,155	24,155
External Debt Investments	18,750 (13,000)	24,000 (13,000)
Net Borrowing	5,750	11,000
Prudential Indicators		
Capital Expenditure	30,716	31,998
Capital Financing Requirement (CFR)	36,340	36,156
<i>Of Which is Commercial Property</i>	19,099	19,099
Annual change in CFR*	(866)	(866)
External Debt Forecast	18,750	24,000
Under/(over)borrowing	17,590	12,156
Ratio of financing costs to net revenue stream*	9.55%	9.36%
Incremental impact of capital investment decisions:		
Increase/Reduction (-) in Council Tax (band change per annum)	£0.00	£(4.80)

APPENDIX 1

Capital Investment Programme 2024/2025

Cluster/Scheme	Stage	Actuals	Base Budget	Revised Budget incl. Contingency	Forecast Outturn	Over/ (Under) Spend	Carry Forwards/ Drawbacks	Narrative	Contingency Forecast Outturn	Contingency Budget
		£	£	£	£	£	£		£	£
Our Council										
Capital Enhancements to Council Properties	BAU	(6,812)	175,000	242,400	202,400	(40,000)	0	E40k budget no longer required for repairs to 9 Lord Street windows as these works have been completed by the tenant.	0	0
Carbon Efficiencies - Street Lights	Stage 3	0	160,000	210,000	210,000	0	0		0	0
Chamber Equipment Refresh	Pre Stage 1	0	10,000	10,000	10,000	0	0		0	0
Civic Car Replacement	Pre Stage 1	0	30,000	30,000	30,000	0	0		0	0
Contact Centre	Stage 2	0	26,500	26,500	26,500	0	0		0	0
CRM System	Stage 3	0	95,400	95,400	95,400	0	0		0	0
Desktop Refresh	BAU	0	11,000	21,000	21,000	0	0		0	0
ERP Systems Phase 2	Stage 2	0	200,000	200,000	200,000	0	0		0	0
Member ICT Provision	Stage 3	0	32,000	32,000	32,000	0	0		0	0
Mobile Phones	Pre Stage 1	0	10,000	10,000	10,000	0	0		0	0
Richmond House Conservatory	Stage 3	0	50,000	50,000	50,000	0	0		0	0
Saxilby Footbridge	Stage 3	(3,359)	0	0	0	0	0		0	0
Our People										
1.1 Flagship Community Grants Programme	Stage 3	38,536	338,700	281,000	281,000	0	0		0	0
1.2 Supporting our Town, Village & Neighbourhood Centres	Stage 3	12,856	0	27,600	27,600	0	0		0	0
Disabled Facilities Grants	BAU	98,110	674,900	904,200	968,800	64,600	0	DFG top up grant £61.3k, landlord contributions to DFG £3.3k. Budget to be increased through Qtr.1 reporting to Committee.	0	0
Extra Care Provision	Stage 3	1,250,000	1,161,000	1,661,000	1,661,000	0	0		0	0
Home Upgrade Grant Phase 2	Stage 3	83,526	8,585,000	9,274,300	9,274,300	0	0		0	0
Parks Fund Project	Stage 3	0	0	47,500	47,500	0	0		0	0
Supported Accommodation (LEAP)	Stage 3	0	42,800	42,800	42,800	0	0		0	0
Our Place										
1.3 Safer Streets West Lindsey	Stage 2	6,498	24,400	66,400	66,400	0	0		0	0
1.4 Multi Year Signature Events Programme	Stage 3	(298)	0	500	500	0	0		0	0
2.1 Flagship West Lindsey Business Support Programme	Stage 3	75,066	421,700	578,400	578,400	0	0		0	0
5-7 Market Place Redevelopment	Stage 3	4,227	0	49,700	49,127	(573)	0	Saving on awning costs. Move £0.1k back to Townhall THI scheme as budget originally came from there.	44,900	44,900
CCTV Expansion	Stage 3	0	0	27,400	27,400	0	0		0	0
Food Waste Collection	Stage 2	0	720,000	720,000	720,000	0	0		0	0
Gainsborough Heritage Regeneration	Stage 3	24,843	1,009,700	1,099,600	1,099,600	0	0		0	0
Hemswell Cliff Investment for Growth	Stage 2	0	88,300	128,300	128,300	0	0		0	0
Market Rasen 3 year vision	Stage 3	2,818	103,000	126,000	126,000	0	0		0	0
Purchase of RAF Scampton	Stage 2	0	4,750,000	4,750,000	4,750,000	0	0		0	0
Shop Front Improvement	Stage 3	0	49,771	48,871	48,871	0	0		0	0
Thriving Gainsborough - Bus Station	Stage 3	(1,161)	0	1,000	1,000	0	0		0	0
Thriving Gainsborough - Cinema	Stage 3	283,355	4,721,748	5,467,548	5,467,548	0	0		0	0
Thriving Gainsborough - Living Over The Shops	Stage 2	0	609,960	767,860	767,860	0	0		0	0
Thriving Gainsborough - Market Place/Streetscape	Stage 3	0	421,912	435,112	435,914	802	0	Move £0.1k from Whitton Gardens scheme.	0	0
Thriving Gainsborough - Pocket Park	Stage 3	8,868	265,000	261,500	666,952	405,452	0	Move £405.5k from Whitton Gardens scheme .	0	0
Thriving Gainsborough - Resources	Stage 3	0	275,526	381,326	381,326	0	0		0	0
Thriving Gainsborough - Townhall THI	Stage 3	140,787	1,021,573	1,369,673	1,370,246	573	0	Move £0.1k from 5-7 Market Place scheme - underspend on awnings.	0	0
Thriving Gainsborough - Wayfinding Strategy	Stage 3	1,795	5,800	10,800	10,800	0	0		0	0
Thriving Gainsborough - Whitton Gardens	Stage 3	6,613	964,944	1,172,844	766,589	(406,254)	0	Move £405.5k to Pocket Park scheme, £0.1k to Market Place/Streetscape scheme.	0	0
Trinity Arts Centre Improvements	Pre Stage 1	0	2,500,000	5,000,000	0	(5,000,000)	0	To be removed from the capital programme due to uncertainty around funding of the scheme. If resources are identified to progress the works in the future a report will be brought before committee to reinstate a budget into the capital programme.	0	0
Unlocking Housing (LoS)	Stage 3	0	69,600	69,600	69,600	0	0		0	0
Vehicle Replacement Programme	BAU	446,990	1,090,500	1,242,800	1,242,800	0	0		0	0
WLDC - Cinema Land Purchase	Stage 3	0	0	31,900	31,900	0	0		0	0
Total Capital Programme Gross Expenditure		2,473,257	30,715,734	36,972,834	31,997,433	(4,975,400)	0		44,900	44,900