Wiltshire Pension Fund Annual Treasury Management Report 2021/22

- 1. This report reviews:
 - a) the actual cash position at the end of 2021/22
 - b) the investment position during, and at the end of 2021/22

Review of Cash Position

2. The cash position for the year was as follows,

	£000s		
Payments			
General Creditors	45,216		
Pensions	75,634		
To Fund Managers	78.780		
Payments Total	199.630		
Receipts			
General Income	92,195		
WC Transfer	44,357		
From Fund Managers	85,650		
Receipts Total	22,202		
Cash Inflow	22,572		

3. The outflow can be accounted for by the movement in funds as follows,

	£000s
Increase in Investments	22,514
Increase in Bank Balance	58
Total	22,572

4. The Pension Fund maintained an average balance of £10,462 million of funds available for investment during the year.

5. Monthly average cash balances, and highest and lowest cash balances, held for investment were as follows,

	Cash Balances				
Month	Average £000s	Highest £000s	Lowest £000s		
April 2021	7,334	13,203	5,439		
May 2021	8,885	12,973	6,752		
June 2021	7,641	11,923	6,061		
July 2021	7,187	14,892	4,307		
August 2021	7,898	19,638	5,394		
September 2021	14,568	20,847	7,972		
October 2021	9,105	14,108	4,565		
November 2021	8,985	13,959	6,998		
December 2021	18,509	26,322	9,175		
January 2022	14,894	20,706	5,402		
February 2022	13,925	16,601	9,382		
March 2022	24,745	36,478	9,545		
Average 2021/22	11,983				

Investment Out Turn

6. Investment decisions involve a certain degree of risk. In order to minimise exposure to risk, the Treasury Management Strategy recognises the need for security and liquidity, so it has been agreed that funds would be placed with agreed counterparties only. These are as follows,

Counterparty	Account Type	Credit Rating **	
HSBC	Overnight Deposit Account	AA-	
Black Rock	Money Market Fund (LVNAV*)	AAA	
Aberdeeen Asset Management	Money Market Fund (LVNAV*)	AAA	
Handlesbanken	Call Account	AA	

^{*} LVNAV = Low Volatility Net Asset Value

- 7. During the year there were opportunities to place surplus cash with all four counterparties above. Although HSBC was not used until March 2022, when the interest rate associated with this account improved from negative to positive. This resulted in interest income (receivable) of £13,555.31.
- 8. Deposits were placed to maintain liquidity, obtain the best interest available and to spread the risk within the authorised lending limits.
- 9. As summarised within Appendix A, 27 deposit transactions were made during the year, with a gross value of £113.309 million. Of the deposits made, 4 were placed on call with Handelsbanken, 14 were placed with the money market funds, and 9 were placed with HSBC.

^{**} Credit Rating = Fitch Long Term Credit Rating (AAA = highest rating) as at 31 March 2022

10. The funds earned an average interest rate of 0.13%.

Breach of Counterparty Limit

11. There were no breaches of the counterparty limits for the pension fund during this financial year.

Review of Temporary Deposits 2021/22

<u>APPENDIX A</u>

	Balance	Placed		Repaid		Balance	Interest	Interest
Counterparty	at 1 April 2021 (£000s)	Value (£000s)	No	Value (£000s)	No	31 March 2022 (£000s)	Range* (%)	Received (£000s)
HSBC – Overnight	0	9,470	9	8,140	7	1,330	-0.05 to 0.54	0
Black Rock MMF	4	38,480	7	31,334	16	7,150	0.01 to 0.35	5
Aberdeen MMF	0	45,354	7	35,400	19	9,954	0.01 to 0.36	4
Handelsbanken – Call	5,857	20,005	4	15,920	9	9,942	0.05 to 0.50	5
Totals	5,861	113,309	27	90,794	51	28,376		14

^{*} Interest Range = Lowest/highest interest rate for the transactions during the period.