

The Council's main current account is held with Lloyds Bank and the current contract is due to expire on 30th April 2022, although we have requested an extension to 9th February 2025.

**PWLB Borrowing**

As at 1 April 2021 the Authority's total outstanding PWLB debt amounted to £97,100,000.

The Council has not taken any new loans from the PWLB during the first six months.

At 30 September 2021 nothing has been repaid to the PWLB as no repayments were due.

The profile of the outstanding debt is analysed as follows:

<b>PWLB Borrowing Term</b>	<b>Maturity Profile 30-Sep-21</b>
	£
12 Months	5,700,000
1-2 years	2,000,000
2-5 years	12,600,000
5-10 years	22,800,000
10-15 years	24,000,000
over 15 years	30,000,000
<b>Total PWLB Debt</b>	<b>97,100,000</b>

**PWLB Interest**

The total interest cost to the Council of the PWLB debt for 2021/22 is estimated at £3,379,700. This cost is split between the HRA and General Fund based on the level of debt outstanding. Interest paid to the PWLB in the six months was £1,726,850.

**Temporary Borrowing**

Cash flow monitoring and management identifies the need for short term borrowing to cover delays in the receipt of income during the year. Minimal interest charges were incurred during the first six months on overdrawn bank balances (<£10). At 30 September 2021 the only temporary borrowing undertaken by the Council was £962,905 which is the investment balances held on behalf of Parish Councils.

**Compliance with Treasury Limits**

During the financial year the Council continued to operate within the treasury limits set out in the Council's Borrowing and Investment Strategy.

	Actual to Date 2021/22	Approved Limits 2021/22
Authorised Limit (Total Council external borrowing limit)	£117,031,783	£136,518,022
Operational Boundary	£117,031,783	£131,518,022

Temporary Investments

Interest Received

The performance of the Council's investments is as follows:

	6 months Actual	6 months Budget	6 months Variance
Interest generated (£)	(27,315)	(20,353)	(6,962)
Average rate of interest	0.17%	0.10%	-
Bank of England base rate	0.10%	0.10%	-

The investments have been made in accordance with the Council's Treasury Management Strategy.

The Bank of England base rate is currently 0.10%, the above actual figure is the 6 month average rate.

Interest rates offered by most institutions remain low.

The following tables show the investments and interest earned to 30 September 2021:

Investments on call

Counterparty	Balance at 1/4/21	Deposits	Withdrawals	Interest received	Balance at 30/09/21
	£	£	£	£	£
Aberdeen (MMF)	2,500,000	8,000,000	(5,500,151)	151	5,000,000
Federated (MMF)	5,000,000	0	(251)	251	5,000,000
Invesco (MMF)	0	11,500,000	(6,500,173)	173	5,000,000
CCLA (MMF)	5,000,000	0	(662)	662	5,000,000
Aviva (MMF)	0	5,000,000	(3,500,017)	17	1,500,000
Santander	5,000,000	0	0	3,009	5,003,009
	17,500,000	24,500,000	(15,501,254)	4,263	26,503,009

## Fixed-term investments

Counterparty	Term of Loan	Balance at 1/4/21	Deposits	Withdrawals	Interest received at six months	No of Days Interest at six months	Balance at 30/09/21	Maturity Date
		£	£	£	£		£	
<b>Local Authorities</b>								
Thurrock Council (Unitary)	1 year	5,000,000		(5,007,014)	7,014	64	0	-
Slough Borough Council	9 months	5,000,000		(5,002,630)	2,630	96	0	-
Shirebrook Town Council	6 months	456,189		(456,264)	75	15	0	-
Plymouth City Council	1 year	5,000,000			3,760	183	5,003,760	25/02/22
LB of Waltham Forest	1 year	5,000,000			5,014	183	5,005,014	18/03/22
Shirebrook Town Council	6 months	0	457,099		1,788	168	458,887	15/10/21
Thurrock Council (Unitary)	7 months	0	5,000,000		2,771	119	5,002,771	04/01/22
		20,456,189	5,457,099	(10,465,908)	23,052		15,470,432	