Smart Finance Committee

10 September 2026

Report for Agenda Item | Rīpoata moto e Rāraki take [2]

Department: **Assurance, Finance & Risk**

Title | Taitara: **Treasury Update**

Purpose of the Report | Te Take mō te Pūroko

The purpose of this report is to provide the Smart Finance Committee with an update on various treasury related issues from our Treasury Advisor, Bancorp.

Recommendation | Kā Tūtohuka

That the Smart Finance Committee:

1. **Note** the contents of this report.

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Context | Horopaki

1. The Treasury Report will provide an update on current market conditions and the status of Council's borrowing arrangements. It will refer also to various provisions of the Treasury Management Policy, Policies on the Council website click here and then search under the Finance section.

2. There is a new cash facility which is through Local Government Financing Authority (LGFA) called a Cash Advances Facility Agreement (CAFA). Staff are in the process of completing this paperwork which has been signed by the Chair of the Smart Finance Committee and the Mayor. Once the paperwork has been completed staff will close the equivalent Bank of New Zealand and LGFA cash facility.

3. BERL has released to Local Government Officers a draft version of its New Zealand inflation forecasts, with the final report due in October 2026. These inflation forecasts form the basis of the inflation assumptions required in the Long Term Plan (LTP). Councillors who wish to review the final BERL report are invited to notify staff, who will make the necessary arrangements to share this report.

Analysis and Advice | Tatāritaka me kā Tohutohu

4. There is no analysis or advice being given as this is an information only report.

Consultation Process | Hātepe Matapaki

Significance and Engagement | Te Whakamahi I kā Whakaaro Hiraka

5. This matter is of low significance, as determined by reference to the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy 2024 because it is provided for information only.

6. The persons who are affected by or interested in this matter are council staff and the members of the committee.

7. The Council has previously consulted on the Treasury Management Policy as part of the Long Term Plan.

Māori Consultation | Iwi Rūnaka

8. The Council has not specifically consulted iwi on the matters contained in this report.

Risk and Mitigations | Kā Raru Tūpono me kā Whakamaurutaka

9. This matter relates to the Financial risk category. It is associated with RISK10013 Unexpected change in cost or funding within the QLDC Risk Register. This risk has been assessed as having a high residual risk rating.

10. This is an information report. This report demonstrates compliance with our Treasury Management Policy.

Financial Implications | Kā Riteka ā-Pūtea

11. There any no operational and capital expenditure requirements or other budget or cost implications resulting from the decision.

Council Effects and Views | Kā Whakaaweawe me kā Tirohaka a te Kaunihera

12. The following Council policies, strategies and bylaws were considered:

- Long Term Plan 2024-34; and
- Treasury Management Policy.

13. This matter is included in the Long Term Plan/Annual Plan as part of the Treasury Management Policy.

Local Government Act 2002 Purpose Provisions | Te Whakatureture 2002 o te Kāwanataka ā-Kīaka

14. Section 10 of the Local Government Act 2002 states the purpose of local government is (a) to enable democratic local decision-making and action by, and on behalf of, communities; and (b) to promote the social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of communities in the present and for the future. Effective management of the Council’s finances is a key part of delivering efficient services and is therefore within the ambit of Section 10 of the Local Government Act 2002.

15. The recommended option:

- Is consistent with the Council's plans and policies; and
- Would not significantly alter the intended level of service provision for any significant activity undertaken by or on behalf of the Council or transfer the ownership or control of a strategic asset to or from the Council.

Attachments | Kā Tāpirihaka

A	QLDC Treasury Report