REPORT TO: FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT **AGENDA ITEM: 7**

COMMITTEE

DATE OF

CATEGORY: 29th April 2010 **MEETING: DELEGATED**

DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE REPORT FROM: OPEN

> PARAGRAPH NO: N/A **SERVICES**

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SUBJECT: MORTGAGE INTEREST RATE **REF: CAJ**

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AFFECTED: **REFERENCE: FM08**

1.0 Recommendations

1.1 The Committee is asked to declare the Local Average Rate of Interest for the period April 2010 to September 2010 at 5.13%

2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 Under Section 438 of the Housing Act 1985 the Council is required to declare the Local Average Rate of Interest on its mortgages at six monthly intervals.

3.0 Detail

- The Committee is required at this meeting to declare the Local Average Rate for the six months from April 2010 to September 2010. The rate has been calculated to be 5.13%.
- Borrowers are actually charged the higher of the Standard National Rate declared by the Secretary of State and the Local Average Rate. The Standard National Rate is based on the rates charged by Banks and Building Societies and is currently 3.13%.
- **3.3** Borrowers will therefore be charged 5.13%.

4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 The rate of interest charged to borrowers will remain unchanged at 5.13%.

5.0 **Corporate Implications**

5.1 None

6.0 Background Papers

Local authority mortgage interest rates: Housing Act 1985 Section 438 and Schedule 6.1 16 - Communities and Local Government update April 2009.