REPORT TO: FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT AGENDA ITEM: 8

**COMMITTEE** 

DATE OF 17th March 2011 CATEGORY:

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REPORT FROM: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OPEN

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SUBJECT: MORTGAGE INTEREST RATE REF:

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AFFECTED: REFERENCE: FM 08

# 1.0 Recommendations

1.1 That the Local Average Rate of Interest for the period April 2011 to September 2011 is declared 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

- 3.1 This is the rate that is charged on Council mortgages. Borrowers are charged the higher of the Standard National Rate as declared by the Secretary of State or the Council's Local Average Rate.
- 3.2 The Standard National Rate is based on the rates charged by Banks and Building Societies and is currently 3.13%. The Council's Local Rate is 5.13% based on its outstanding borrowings. Borrowers will therefore be charged 5.13% and this remains unchanged.

### 4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 The rate of interest charged to borrowers will remain unchanged at 5.13%. Only 1 mortgage remains outstanding.

### 5.0 Corporate Implications

5.1 None

### 6.0 Background Papers

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