

## Pension Fund Committee

5 June 2014



### Short Term Investments for the period ended 31 March 2014

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**Don McLure, Corporate Director Resources**

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#### Purpose of Report

1. To provide the Committee with information on the performance of the Pension Fund's short term investments for the 3 month period ended 31 March 2014.

#### Short Term Investments

2. Durham County Council (DCC) invests the short term cash balances on behalf of the Pension Fund; this is done in line with DCC's Treasury Management Policy and Annual Investment Strategy. This investment strategy sets out the maximum amounts and time limits in respect of deposits which can be placed with each financial institution.
3. The Pension Fund's surplus cash holding as at 31 March 2014 was £27.017m which was held in the institutions listed in the table below alongside their credit rating at 31 March 2014.

<b>Financial Institution</b>	<b>Rating</b>	<b>Amount Invested £m</b>
Bank Deposit Accounts		
Barclays	A	4.464
Natwest Bank	A	2.678
Santander	A	4.437
Fixed Term Deposits		
Bank of Scotland	A	10.715
Nationwide Building Society	A	4.464
UK Local Authorities	N/A	0.080
National Savings & Investments	N/A	0.179
<b>Total</b>		<b>27.017</b>

4. The following table provides information on the interest earned during the 3 month period, the average daily investment balance and the average return earned in comparison to the average bank base rate:

	<b>Total</b>
Net Interest Earned	£13,499
Average Return Earned	0.395%
Average Bank of England base rate	0.500%
Average Daily Balance of Investments	£18.546m

### **Recommendation**

5. Members are asked to note the position at 31 March 2014 regarding the Pension Fund's short term investments.

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