Committee(s):	Date(s):		Item no.
Board of Governors of the City of London School	Thursday, 15 June 2017		
Subject: Cash available in the school's charity: *The City of London School Bursary Fund incorporating The City of London School Scholarships & Prizes Fund*		**Public**	
Report of: The Chamberlain		**For Decision**	

Is the cash available to the school's bursary and prizes charity sufficient?

1. This report notifies Governors that the available cash balance at 3 April 2017 in its charity The City of London School Bursary Fund incorporating The City of London School Scholarships & Prizes Fund was £201,571. The report considers whether this is a sufficient 'working cash balance' to ensure that the charity is not overdrawn during the coming year, which would incur interest charges.

2. As income in any year tends to lag behind expenditure, without a 'working cash balance' the fund would be overdrawn. Cash flow has been analysed over the last 4 years which has revealed that a 'working cash balance' of £106,045 be retained to avoid the fund being overdrawn.

3. The Bursar has confirmed that expenditure and income in the coming year are anticipated to be similar to last year and, therefore, a 'working cash balance' of £106,045 should continue to be sufficient to avoid being overdrawn.

4. With available cash of £201,571 being excess of the required 'working cash balance' of £106,045, it is recommended that the balance of £95,526 be invested in the Charities Pool.

5. The next review of the 'working cash balance' will be presented to this Board in June 2018, in time to meet the 1 October deadline for investment or dis-investment in the Charities Pool, should this be required.

Recommendations

6. It is recommended that:
   - Governors agree to invest £95,526 in the City of London Charities Pool on 1 October 2017; and
   - that the next review of the operating cash balance be presented to the June 2018 Board meeting.

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