

Room151

Room151's Monthly Online Treasury Briefing

Friday 26th May 2023, 10:30 - 11:30

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Macro and market updates and what role should the new OfLog play in regulating council finances?

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10:30 Chair's introduction

Stephen Kitching, consultancy director, Arlingclose Limited

10:35: Macroeconomics update and investment markets outlook

Heather Lamont, director, client investments, CCLA

10:55: The Finance Panel: OfLog - what role should it play in regulating council finances?

When Michael Gove announced the creation of the new Office for Local Government (OfLog) he said it would: "shine a new light on how local authorities are performing and delivering". What do our panel of experts think the remit of the new OfLog should include to enable councils to manage risk? Is the creation of a new office necessary? Could OfLog improve the financial health and resilience of some councils? Following the financial crises at Croydon and Thurrock, how do the panel think local authorities should be regulated?

Panel:

Cecilie Booth, executive director of resources and s151, Peterborough City Council

Alison Ring, director public sector and taxation, ICAEW

Joseph Holmes, executive director (resources) and s151 officer, West Berkshire Council

11:30 Close of Webinar

As always there is plenty of opportunity to send in the questions you would like to see discussed either before or during the briefing.

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