

Specified and Non-Specified Investments Categories

A variety of specified and non-specified investment instruments will be used to place the Council's surplus funds. These investment instruments are, subject to the credit quality of the institution. The criteria, time limits and monetary limits applying to institutions or investment vehicles are list in the tables below.

Accounting treatment of investments. The accounting treatment may differ from the underlying cash transactions arising from investment decisions made by this Council. To ensure that the Council is protected from any adverse revenue impact, which may arise from these differences, treasury officers will review the accounting implications of new transactions before they are undertaken.

Specified Investments:

All such investments will be sterling denominated, with maturities up to maximum of 1 year, meeting the minimum 'high' rating criteria where applicable.

Institution / Counterparty	Minimum 'High' Credit Criteria	Use
Debt Management Agency Deposit Facility	UK Sovereign rating	In-house
Term deposits – Local Authorities	UK Sovereign rating	In-house
Term deposits – banks and building societies	Coded: Orange on Sectors Matrix. Fitch's rating: Short-term F1+, Long-term AA-, Individual B, Support 2 Or equivalent rating from Standard & Poors and Moody's	In-house
UK Part nationalised banks	Coded: Blue on Sectors Matrix. Fitch's rating: Short-term F1+, Long-term AA-, Individual B, Support 2 Or equivalent rating from Standard & Poors and Moody's	In-house and Fund Mangers
Banks part nationalised by high credit rated (sovereign rating) countries – non UK	Coded: Blue on Sectors Matrix. Fitch's rating: Short-term F1+, Long-term AA-, Individual B,	In-house and Fund Mangers

	Support 2 Or equivalent rating from Standard & Poors and Moody's	
Collateralised deposit	Coded: Orange on Sectors Matrix / UK Sovereign rating	In-house and Fund Mangers
Certificates of deposits issued by banks and building societies covered by UK Government guarantee	Coded: Orange on Sectors Matrix / UK Sovereign rating	In-house and Fund Mangers
Certificates of deposits issued by banks and building societies	F Coded: Orange on Sectors Matrix / Fitch's rating: UK sovereign rating or Short- term F1+, Long-term AA- , Individual B, Support 2 or equivalent rating from Standard& Poors and Moodys	In-house and Fund Mangers
UK Government Gilts	Coded: Orange on Sectors Matrix / UK Sovereign rating	In-house buy and hold and Fund Managers
Bonds issued by multilateral development banks	Coded: Orange on Sectors Matrix / Long term AAA	In-house buy and hold and Fund Managers
Bonds issued by a financial institution which is guaranteed by the UK government	Coded: Orange on Sectors Matrix / UK Sovereign rating	In-house buy and hold and Fund Managers
Sovereign bond issues (other than the UK govt)	Coded: Orange on Sectors Matrix / Sovereign rating	In-house buy and hold and Fund Managers
Treasury Bills	Coded: Orange on Sectors Matrix / UK Sovereign rating	Fund Managers
Collective Investment Schemes structured as Open Ended Investment Companies (OEICs): -		
1. Government Liquidity Funds	Short-term F1, Long-term AAA	In-house and Fund Managers
2. Money Market Funds	Short-term F1, Long-term AAA	In-house and Fund Managers
.3. Enhanced cash funds	Short-term F1, Long-term AAA	In-house and Fund Managers
4. Bond Funds	Long-term AAA	In-house and Fund Managers
5. Gilt Funds	Long-term AAA	In-house and Fund Managers
6. Property Funds	Long-term AAA	In-house and Fund Managers
UK Nationalised Banks	UK sovereign rating	In-house and Fund Managers
UK Part nationalised Banks	UK sovereign rating	In-house and Fund Managers

NON-SPECIFIED INVESTMENTS:

A maximum of 100% can be held in aggregate in non-specified investment

1. Maturities of ANY period

Institution / Counterparty	Minimum Credit Criteria	Use	Max % of total investments	Max. maturity period
Term deposits – banks and building societies	Coded: red (6mths) and green (3mths) on Sectors Matrix. Fitch's rating: Short-term F1, Long-term A-, Or equivalent rating from Standard & Poors and Moody's	In-house	100%	3-6 Months
Fixed term deposits with variable rate and variable maturities: -Structured deposits	Coded: orange (1yr) red (6mths) and green (3mths) on Sectors Matrix. Fitch's rating: Short-term F1, Long-term A-, Or equivalent rating from Standard & Poors and Moody's	In-house	40%	1 Year
Certificates of deposits issued by banks and building societies NOT covered by UK Government guarantee	Coded: orange (1yr) red (6mths) and green (3mths) on Sectors Matrix. Fitch's rating: Short-term F1, Long-term A-, Or equivalent rating from Standard & Poors and Moody's	In-house buy and hold and Fund Managers	30%	1 Year
Commercial paper issuance covered by a specific UK Government guarantee and issued by banks covered by the UK bank support package	UK Sovereign rating	In-house and Fund Managers	30%	1 Year
Commercial paper other	Coded: orange (1yr) red (6mths) and green (3mths) on Sectors Matrix. Fitch's rating: Short-term F1, Long-term A-, Or equivalent rating from Standard & Poors and Moody's	In-house	30%	1 Year
Corporate Bonds	Coded: orange (1yr) red (6mths) and	In-house and Fund	30%	1 Year

	green (3mths) on Sectors Matrix. Fitch's rating: Short-term F1, Long-term A-, Or equivalent rating from Standard & Poors and Moody's	Managers		
Other debt issuance by UK banks covered by UK Government guarantee	UK Government explicit guarantee	In-house and Fund Managers	30%	
Floating Rate Notes: the use of these investments would constitute capital expenditure unless they are issued by a multi lateral development bank	Long-term AAA	Fund Managers	N/A – Capital Expenditure	N/A – Capital Expenditure
Property fund: the use of these investments would constitute capital expenditure	--	Fund Managers	N/A – Capital Expenditure	N/A – Capital Expenditure
Local Authority mortgage guarantee scheme	Coded: orange (1yr) red (6mths) and green (3mths) on Sectors Matrix. Fitch's rating: Short-term F1, Long-term A-, Or equivalent rating from Standard & Poors and Moody's	In-house		

2. Maturities in excess of 1 year

Term deposits – local authorities	--	In-house	10%	> 1 year
Term deposits – banks and building societies	Coded: Purple(2yrs) or Yellow (5yrs) on Sectors Matrix. Fitch's rating: Short-term F1+, Long-term AA-, Support 2 Or equivalent rating from Standard & Poors and Moody's	In-house	10%	> 1 year
Certificates of deposits issued by banks and building societies covered by UK Government guarantee	UK Sovereign	In house and Fund Managers	10%	> 1 year
Certificates of deposits issued by banks and building societies covered by the UK government banking support package	UK Sovereign	In house and Fund Managers	10%	> 1 year
Certificates of deposits issued by banks and building societies NOT	Coded: Purple(2yrs) or Yellow (5yrs) on Sectors Matrix /	In house and Fund Managers	10%	> 1 year

covered by the UK government banking support package	Short-term F1+, Long-term AA-, Support 2			
UK Government Gilts	UK Sovereign rating	In-house and Fund Managers	10%	> 1 year
Bonds issued by multilateral development banks	Long term AAA	In-house and Fund Managers	10%	> 1 year
Sovereign bond issues (i.e. other than the UK govt)	Long term AAA	In-house and Fund Managers	10%	> 1 year
Collective Investment Schemes structure as open Ended Investment Companies (OEICs)				
1. Bond Funds	Long-term AAA	In-house and Fund Managers		
2. Gilt Funds	Long-term AAA	In-house and Fund Managers		