



POLICY – 4.9 – Investments

Relevant Delegation

N/A

Objective

This policy outlines the requirements for investing the Shire's surplus funds in accordance with the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996.

Policy Statement

1. Authority to Invest

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1995 section 6.14 and CEO Register of Delegations, Sub delegations, Authorisations and Appointments Register 1.1.14 the Chief Executive Officer and/or Chief Financial Officer is authorised officer to invest surplus Council funds within a recognised financial institution in accordance with Regulation 19(1) and (2) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996.

Council recommendation is to invest in one or more of the following financial institutions:

- Commonwealth Bank
- National Australia Bank
- ANZ Banking Corporation
- Westpac Banking Corporation
- Bankwest

Any proposal to invest in another financial institution is to be referred to Council.

2. Investment funds may be invested for a term of up to twelve (12) months based on predicted cash flow requirements.

3. In accordance with Regulation 19C(2) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 the Shire of Menzies will not undertake any of the following investment activities:

- Deposit with an institution except an authorised institution
- Deposit for fixed term of more than 3 years
- Invest in bonds at are not guaranteed by the Commonwealth Government, or State or Territory government.
- Invest in bonds with a term to maturity of more than 3 years.
- Invest in foreign currency.

4. A monthly Investment Report be presented to Council Information Bulletin giving details of all current investments showing:

- Name of financial institution
- Summary investment amount
- Term and date of maturity
- Interest rate

– *End of Policy*

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