

### Purpose

The purpose of this Policy is to ensure that the Shire of Boddington's surplus funds are invested with consideration of risk and with the most favourable rate of interest available to it at the time for that investment type, while ensuring that its liquidity requirements are being met.

### Scope

This Policy is applicable to all investments made by the Shire of Boddington (Shire) with the exception of deposits held in accordance with a grant funding agreement that details the relevant authorities for investments.

### Definitions

Term	Meaning
Policy	This Shire of Boddington policy titled "Investment of Surplus Funds".
Authorised Institution	An authorised deposit-taking institution as defined in the Banking Act 1959 (Commonwealth) section 5, or the Western Australian Treasury Corporation established by the West Australian Treasury Corporation Act 1986.

### Policy Statement

In accordance with Section 19 Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, details of the Shire of Boddington's investment management strategy is as follows:

- Funds surplus to immediate requirements are to be deposited into an authorised institution;
- Transactions are to be performed via NAB Connect with authorised officers signing the original copy of the audit trail;
- The investment is to be managed with the care, diligence, and skill that a prudent person would exercise;
- Officers are to manage the investment portfolios to safeguard the portfolios in accordance with the spirit of this Investment of Surplus Funds Policy, and not for speculative purposes;
- Investments are only to be made with authorised institutions;
- Investments which are not allowed are as follows:**
  - Deposits for more than twelve months;
  - Bonds that are not guaranteed by the Commonwealth Government, or a State or Territory Government;
  - Bonds with a term to maturity of more than three years; and
  - Foreign currency;
- Investments are to be restricted to bank investments only;

- The term of the investment is to be based on forward cash flow requirements to ensure investment return on available surplus funds;
- A report on the investments is to be included in the monthly financial report presented to Council, detailing which institution the investment is lodged with, the interest rate, and the date of maturity;
- Documentary evidence is to be held for each investment and details thereof maintained in an Investment Register; and
- Certificates are to be obtained from the financial institutions confirming the amounts of investments held on the Shire's behalf as at 30 June each year and reconciled to the Investment Register.

<b>Responsible Officer</b>	Executive Manager Corporate Services
<b>History</b>	Adopted 15 December 2015 (Resolution 129/15) Amended 23 March 2023 (Resolution 25/23)
<b>Delegation</b>	1.1.22 Power to Invest and Manage Investments
<b>Relevant Legislation</b>	Regulation 19C, Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 Section 6.14, Local Government Act 1995 Banking Act 1959 Trustees Act 1962
<b>Related Documentation</b>	