



Greenfield and Pulloxhill Academy

Finance Investment Policy

PRINCIPLES

The Academy aims to manage its cash balances to provide for the day-to-day working capital requirements of its operations, whilst protecting the real long-term value of any surplus cash balances against inflation. In addition, the Academy aims to invest surplus cash funds to optimise returns, but ensuring the investment instruments are such that there is no risk to the loss of these cash funds.

Our aim is to spend the public monies with which we are entrusted for the direct education benefit of students as is prudent. The Academy does not consider the investment of surplus funds as a primary activity, rather it is the result of good financial management.

PURPOSES

- To ensure adequate cash balances are maintained in the current account to cover day-to-day working capital requirements
- To ensure there is no risk of loss in the capital value of any cash funds invested
- To protect the capital value of any invested funds against inflation
- To optimise returns on invested funds

GUIDELINES

- Regular cash flows are to be prepared and monitored to ensure there are adequate liquid funds to meet all payroll related commitments and outstanding supply creditors that are due for payment.
- Where the cash flow identifies a base level of cash funds that will be surplus to requirements, these may be invested in an interest bearing account in a UK regulated bank.
- Where the surplus is deemed to be significant and long-term, the Finance Committee may recommend the funds be invested in Treasury deposits, with maturity dates which do not result in the cash funds being unavailable for longer than 12 weeks. Any recommendation should be with the agreement of the Governing Body.

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