## Appendix A

## **SPECIFIED INVESTMENTS**

## All investments listed below must be sterling-denominated.

Investment	Share/ Loan Capital?	Repayable/ Redeemable within 12 months?	Security / Minimum Credit Rating	Capital Expenditure?	Circumstance of use	Maximum period
Term deposits with the UK government (e.g. DMO Account) or with English local authorities (i.e. local authorities as defined under Section 23 of the 2003 Act) with maturities up to 1 year	No	Yes	High security although LAs not credit rated.	NO	In-house	1 year
Term deposits with credit-rated deposit takers (banks and building societies), including callable deposits, with maturities up to 1 year	No	Yes	Yes	NO	In-house	1 year
Certificates of Deposit issued by credit- rated deposit takers (banks and building societies) covered by the UK Government guarantee: up to 1 year. Custodial arrangement required prior to purchase	No	Yes	Yes	NO	In house buy and hold	1 year
Certificates of Deposit issued by creditrated deposit takers (banks and building societies) NOT covered by the UK Government guarantee: up to 1 year.  Custodial arrangement required prior to purchase	No	Yes	Yes	NO	In house buy and hold	1 year
Banks nationalised by high credit rated (sovereign rating) countries	No	Yes	Yes	No	In house	1 year

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Investment	Share/ Loan Capital?	Repayable/ Redeemable within 12 months?	Security / 'High' Credit Rating criteria	Capital Expenditure?	Circumstance of use	Maximum period
Banks & Building Societies supported by the UK Government package	No	Yes	Yes	No	In House	1 year
Government guarantee on all deposits by high credit rated (sovereign rating) countries	No	Yes	Yes	No	In house	1 year
Bonds issued by multilateral development banks (Euro Sterling Bonds as defined in SI 2004 No 534) or issued by a financial institution guaranteed by UK government with maturities under 12 months.  Custodial arrangement required prior to	No	Yes	AAA	NO	In-House on a buy and hold basis after consultation/advice from Sector	1 year
purchase						
Gilt Funds and Bond Funds	No	Yes	AAA	NO	In House	1 year
Gilts: up to 1 year	No	Yes	Govt-backed AAA rated	NO	In House on a buy and hold basis	1 year
Custodial arrangement required prior to purchase						

Money Market Funds & Government Liquidity Funds	No	Yes	Yes AAA rated	NO	In-house	the period of investment may not be determined at the outset but would be subject to cash flow and liquidity requirements.  Deposits are repayable at call.
Treasury bills [Government debt security with a maturity less than one year and issued through a competitive bidding process at a discount to par value]  Custodial arrangement required prior to purchase	No	Yes	Govt-backed	NO	In House	1 year

Monitoring of credit ratings:

All credit ratings will be monitored continuously and formally updated on a monthly basis. If a counterparty or investment scheme is downgraded with the result that it no longer meets the Pension Fund's minimum credit criteria, the use of that counterparty / investment scheme will be withdrawn.

Any intra-month credit rating downgrade which the Pension Fund has identified that affects the Pension Fund pre-set criteria will also be similarly dealt with.