

Congleton Town Council

Investment Strategy

9th December 2023 to 8th December 2024

RBS Business Reserve

To keep the balance in RBS Current & reserve accounts to a maximum of £400,000. Balance over this will be transferred on a monthly basis to the CCLA Instant Access Money Market Account. Should the balance go below £400,000 funds will be transferred from CCLA to RBS. Transfers will be delegated to the RFO, or in the absence by the Chief Officer or Deputy Chief Officer and signed in accordance with our Financial Regulations for Bank Payments.

Cambridge & Counties

Congleton Town Council has £250,000 with Cambridge and Counties Bank¹ on a 1 year deposit. Until 8th December 2023 the interest rate for the 1 Year investment is 3.8%. On renewal on 9th December 2023, the balance of £250,000 will be retained. The monies invested in this account are tied in for the year.

CCLA

Within the balance of the CCLA Public Sector Deposit Account, The Council keep £150,000 of its Ear Marked Reserves, due to this the CCLA account should hold a minimum of £150,000. This is an instant access money market account with fluctuating interest rates every day. Although the capital is not at risk of reducing in value, it is possible at a time of very low interest rates, for the interest rate of a CCLA Public Sector Deposit Fund to be negative. As from 8th November 2022 this account is used as a sweeper account for the balance of funds over £400,000 in the RBS Current and Reserve accounts.

Suggested Strategy:

1. To limit the balance of RBS Current and Reserve account to a maximum of £400,000.
2. To retain the balance of £250,000 in Cambridge and Counties 1 year account to £250,000 on 8th December 2023.
3. To use the CCLA instant access money account as a sweeper account until 8th December 2024.. To hold a minimum of £150,000 in this account.

4. To introduce a new 1 year Bond which will run May to May annually, this account to be reviewed annually dependant on interest rates. Once an account has been sourced approval to open will be required from Full Council.

1 Cambridge and Counties information:

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2 CCLA information

[Our philosophy | CCLA](#)