



Saxilby with Ingleby Parish Council

Non-confidential

Open a Unity Trust Savings Account

Report to: Full Council 24-11

Report by: Clerk

Power/duty which decision falls under: Local Government Act 2003, s12. Power to invest.

Which council objective(s) it falls under:

-

Public Sector Equality Duty (*Consider how policies/decisions affect those protected under the Equality Act*)

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Consideration on carbon reduction:

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Consideration of risk management in relation to the proposal¹

It is impossible to list every risk faced by a local council. Risk, in the general sense, means the likelihood of an event happening, and the severity of the negative consequences. The insurance industry regards risk as representing loss or damage. Risk always involves uncertainty. When protecting a local council effectively, it is important to consider if risk is present in the following areas (SLCC AN241)[Tick]

- Decision making
- Finances
- Property
- Staff
- Events
- Legal
- Inspections
- Written/verbal communication

Does the report consider any new activity? If 'Yes', has a risk assessment including risk management proposals for consideration been included for consideration and adoption by the council? (*Financial Regulation 17b*)

No.

¹Risk areas to consider - strategic/operational, likelihood/impact, add to risk register? Any contingency planning needed?

REPORT

The council currently holds general reserves and identified reserves for some planned projects. In order to prudently manage the council's financial affairs, it is proposed to open further savings accounts to allow reserves to attract interest.

Finance and risk committee has agreed for the clerk to draft an investment strategy. Whilst this occurs, it is proposed to move the money held in the Unity Trust (Current) Account, which is not the council's day-to-day current account and does not attract interest, to a three-month deposit account and an instant access savings account. This will then provide interest on the council's finances held in this institution.

The amount currently held in the Unity Trust current account is £109,827.

There is no charge for savings accounts.

The interest on an instant access account is 2.6%. This would provide income of up to £2,927 if the full balance is held in this account for the year.

This will enable the money in Unity Trust to attract income, whilst the investment strategy is being developed in 2024.

It is proposed to move £100,000 into a three-month fixed term account and the remaining amount into an instant access savings account.



Options

Instant Access



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Key Features

Minimum deposit	Maximum deposit	Gross rate**/AER***	Fee
None	None	2.60% / 2.62%	Free

*Interest rate is the fixed or variable rate of interest earned per year expressed as a percentage and which is subject to terms and conditions, may be varied or withdrawn by the Bank at any time and without notice.

**Gross Rate is the contractual rate of interest payable before the deduction of income tax at the rate specified by law.

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Fixed Term Access



12-Month Fixed Term Deposit Account



18-Month Fixed Term Deposit Account

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£85k	£20m	4.50%	2.60%	Free

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24-Month Fixed Term Deposit Account

30-Day Fixed Term Deposit Account

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- ✓ 2.96% Interest Rate (as of August 2023)
- ✓ 30 day fixed term (no access)
- ✓ Your money is FSCS protected, up to £85,000

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90-Day Fixed Term Deposit Account

6-Month Fixed Term Deposit Account

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- ✔ 3.06% Interest Rate* (£85k to £10 million), 3.16% Interest Rate* (£10m and above) (as of December 2023)
- ✔ 90 day fixed term (no access)
- ✔ Your money is FSCS protected, up to £85,000

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- ✔ 4.00% Interest Rate (as of 11 September 2024)
- ✔ 6 month fixed term (no access)
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RECOMMENDATION(S):

- 1. That Full Council notes the report and resolves to open a Unity Trust Instant Access Savings Account and a three-month fixed term deposit account.**
- 2. That £100,000 is moved into the fixed term account and the remaining amount moved into the instant access savings account.**