# **Approved Countries for Investments**

This list is based on those countries which have sovereign ratings of AA- or higher, (shown - the lowest rating from Fitch, Moody's and S&P) and also, (except - at the time of writing - for Hong Kong and Luxembourg), have banks operating in sterling markets which have credit ratings of green or above in the Link creditworthiness service.

# Based on lowest available rating (as at 21.10.25)

## AAA

- Australia
- Denmark
- Germany
- Netherlands
- Norway
- Singapore
- Sweden
- Switzerland

#### AA+

- Canada
- Finland
- U.S.A.

### AA

- Abu Dhabi (UAE)
- Finland

### AA-

- France
- U.K.

## A+

• Belgium

The UK is exempt from the sovereign rating criteria as recommended by MUFG. The UK sovereign rating is currently AA-.

The above list includes the possible countries the Council may invest with. Not all of these countries are used or will be used in treasury management investments