

Southampton Solent University

STATEMENT ON ETHICAL INVESTMENT

The University routinely invests funds with third party organisations through the regular investment of surplus funds and endowments. Wherever possible, the University wishes to make such investments in ways that are consistent with the mission and values of the University as expressed in the Charter and the Corporate Plan. This statement is intended to be entirely consistent with the duty of care to secure optimum returns from the investment of funds whilst maintaining the required risk profile.

The University's ethical investment statement is based on the premise that the University's choice of where to invest should reflect the ethical values it espouses in public life, in particular its commitment to social justice.

The University will not knowingly invest in companies whose activities include practices which directly pose a risk of serious harm to individuals or groups, or whose activities are inconsistent with the mission and values of the University.

In order to give effect to its commitment the University will:

- Review on a regular basis whether any investment is contrary to the University's value system
- Issue guidance for treasury and fund managers responsible for the University's investments
- Monitor the operation and effectiveness and report on an annual basis to the Resources Committee (within the Annual Treasury Report).

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