## **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST POLICY – SUMMARY**

#### 1. Introduction

Metro Bank PLC (the 'Bank') is required to implement and maintain an effective conflicts of interest policy (the 'Policy'). This is a summary of the Policy, as relevant to our customers.

### 2. What is a conflict of interest?

The following might be considered to give rise to a risk of a conflict of interest where an employee of the Bank is providing financial services to a customer and:-

- is likely to make a financial gain, or avoid a financial loss, at the expense of the customer;
- has an interest in the outcome of a service provided to a customer or of a transaction carried out on behalf of a customer, which is distinct from the customer's interest in the outcome;
- has a financial or other incentive to favour the interest of another customer, or group of customers, over the interest of the customer;
- carries on the same business as the customer; or
- receives or may receive from a person other than a customer, an inducement in relation
  to a service provided to a customer, in the form of monies, goods or services other than
  the standard fee or commission for that service.

# 3. Management of Conflicts of Interest

The Bank expects all of its employees to maintain the highest standards in carrying out their responsibilities. Potential conflicts are managed by:-

- appropriate supervision and monitoring;
- disclosure of any connection which could, or could be seen to, have the effect of compromising the judgment of any of the Bank's employees;
- the requirement to seek approval before accepting gifts/hospitality that might be perceived as more than a token;

## 4. The Bank's Policy

The Bank has a clear policy on conflicts of interest, they:-

- should always be avoided;
- actual, perceived or potential conflicts must always be disclosed