Bristol & West plc

Interim Report for the six months ended 30 June 2020



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INTERIM MANAGEMENT REPORT

The Directors present their Interim Management Report and the unaudited interim financial statements (the 'interim financial statements') of Bristol & West plc (the 'Company') for the six months ended 30 June 2020.

Business Commentary

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Bank of Ireland UK Holdings plc. The Company's Ultimate Parent Company is Bank of Ireland Group plc. These financial statements are included in the consolidated financial statements of Bank of Ireland Group plc (the Ultimate Parent) and The Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland (the Intermediate Parent).

The Company continues to hold interest bearing cash deposits with Bank of Ireland Group, in order to meet its liabilities as they fall due, including the payment of future preference share dividends. No material changes to this position are expected in the second half of the financial year ending 31 December 2020.

The Company made a profit before taxation of £0.6m in the six months ended 30 June 2020 (30 June 2019: £0.8m).

No ordinary share dividends were declared or paid during the six months ended 30 June 2020 (year ended 31 December 2019: £nil).

The preference shares carry a mandatory coupon rate of 8.125% and are classified as financial liabilities. The dividends on these preference shares are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income as interest expense.

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

The Company considers its strategic, operational and financial risks and identifies actions to mitigate these risks and uncertainties. Other than Brexit and COVID-19, there has been no significant change to the principal risks and uncertainties faced by the Company since 31 December 2019. Details of the Company's risk management strategy are set out on page 3-5 of the Company's Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2019. Details of the Company's risk profile are set out on pages 35 to 38 of the Company's Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2019.

Given the limited nature of the Company's activities, the principal risk that the Company faces is the inability to access funds in order to settle its liabilities as they fall due. Secure funding arrangements are in place to mitigate against this risk. Ongoing uncertainty surrounding the UK's departure from the European Union (EU) continues to affect the markets in which the Company operates including interest rates and credit demand. The Group has a longstanding Brexit programme to identify, monitor and mitigate risks associated with Brexit.

COVID-19

The outbreak of COVID-19 since the beginning of 2020 continues to have a substantial negative impact on both global and local economies. Across the Bank of Ireland Group, a pro-active response programme has been put in place to continually assess and respond effectively to this evolving situation, adjust operations to maintain business continuity and support the safety and health of both staff and customers. The Directors have obtained representation from the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland that sufficient funds will be made available to ensure the Company can meet its obligations as they fall due for the fourteen month period ending November 2021. In addition to this, all exposures relating to B&W Plc are to Ultimate Parent BOI Group with a credit rating of BBB-, and to Governor and Company of Bank of Ireland with a credit rating of A-.

At the date of approval of the financial statements, the overall impact cannot be accurately estimated but an adverse influence on 2020 financial year performance is expected. The directors do not consider that any adjustments are required to the financial information at this stage. The Company has already taken steps and will be working on a number of initiatives to continue to support its various stakeholders.

INTERIM MANAGEMENT REPORT

Directors and secretary

The names of the persons who served as Directors of the Company at any time during the six months ended 30 June 2020 and up to the date of the approval of the interim financial statements are set out below. Except where indicated, they served as Directors for the entire period.

Ian McLaughlin Thomas McAreavey Alan McNamara Lorraine Smyth

Company Secretary
Hill Wilson Secretarial Limited

RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Interim Report in accordance with the Disclosure and Transparency Rules of the United Kingdom's Financial Conduct Authority ('DTR') and with International Accounting Standard 34 on Interim Financial Reporting (IAS 34).

The Directors confirm that the interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 and that they give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit/loss of the Company and that as required by DTR 4.2.4, DTR 4.2.7 and DTR 4.2.8, the Interim Report includes a fair review of:

- important events that have occurred during the first six months of the year;
- the impact of those events on the financial statements;
- a description of the principal risks and uncertainties for the remaining six months of the financial year; and
- details of any related party transactions that have materially affected the Company's financial position or performance in the six months ended 30 June 2020 or material changes to related party transactions described in the Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2019.

The Directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the Company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Signed on behalf of the board by:

Thomas McAreavey

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Chairman

24 September 2020

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED)

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

| | | 6 months ended 30 June 2020 | 6 months ended 30 June 2019 |
|------------------------------------------------------|------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | Note | £'000 | £,000 |
| Interest income | 4 | 1,849 | 2,015 |
| Interest expense | 4 | (1,324) | (1,246) |
| Net interest income | | 525 | 769 |
| Net Interest Income & Total operating income | | 525 | 769 |
| Expenses Net Impairment Gain | | (12) 50 | - - |
| Profit for the period before taxation | | 562 | 769 |
| Taxation charge | 5 | (359) | (383) |
| Profit and total comprehensive income for the period | | 203 | 386 |

BALANCE SHEET (UNAUDITED) AS AT 30 JUNE 2020

| | | 30 June 2020 | 31 December 2019 |
|------------------------------|------|----------------|-------------------------|
| | Note | £'000 | £'000 |
| Assets | | | |
| Loans and advances to banks | 6 | 113,887 | 113,826 |
| Other assets | 7 | 471 | 716 |
| Deferred tax asset | 8 | 25 | 27 |
| Total assets | = | 114,383 | 114,569 |
| Liabilities | | | |
| Preference shares | 9 | 32,593 | 32,593 |
| Amounts due to banks | 10 | 5,367 | 5,551 |
| Amounts due to parent | 11 | 70,000 | 70,000 |
| Other liabilities | 12 | 409 | 409 |
| Current tax liabilities | | 167 | 371 |
| Total liabilities | _ | 108,535 | 108,924 |
| Equity | | | |
| Share capital | 13 | 50 | 50 |
| Retained earnings | 13 | 5,798 | 5,595 |
| Total equity | | 5,738 5,848 | 5,645 |
| i otai equity | _ | 3,040 | 3,043 |
| Total equity and liabilities | | 114,383 | 114,569 |

The interim financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on and signed on its behalf by:

Thomas McAreavey

Thouse a Grang

Chairman

24 September 2020

Company Registered Number 2124201

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (UNAUDITED)

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

| | 6 months ended 30 June 2020 £'000 | 12 months to 31 December 2019 £'000 |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Share capital | | |
| Balance at the beginning and at the end of the period | 50 | 50 |
| Retained earnings | | |
| Balance at the beginning of the year | 5,595 | 3,936 |
| Profit and total comprehensive income for the period | 203 | 1,659 |
| Balance at the end of the period | 5,798 | 5,595 |
| Total Equity | 5,848 | 5,645 |

CASH FLOW STATEMENT (UNAUDITED)

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

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The notes on pages 10 to 19 form an integral part of the interim financial statements.

NOTES TO THE INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

1.1 Basis of preparation

The interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Disclosure and Transparency Rules of the United Kingdom's Financial Conduct Authority (DTR) and with IAS 34 'Interim Financial Reporting'. These interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019, which were prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) and IFRS Interpretations Committee (IFRIC) and with those parts of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies reporting under IFRS.

1.2 Statutory accounts

The interim financial statements do not comprise statutory accounts within the meaning of section 434 of the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019 were approved by the Board of Directors on 5 June 2020 and filed with the Registrar of Companies on 24 June 2020. The report of the auditor on those accounts was unqualified, did not contain an emphasis of matter paragraph and did not contain any statement under section 498 of the Companies Act 2006.

1.3 Going concern

The time period that the Directors have considered in evaluating the appropriateness of the going concern basis in preparing the interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2020 is a period of twelve months from the date of approval of these interim financial statements ('the period of assessment').

Context

The Company is a direct subsidiary of Bank of Ireland UK Holdings plc which is an indirect subsidiary of Bank of Ireland Group plc. The Directors have considered the going concern of the Company and to the extent that the Company is dependent on BoI Group for funding, have considered the going concern assessment of BoI Group plc.

Going concern assessment of BoI Group plc

The Company is reliant on the BoI Group for liquidity and funding.

The Directors of the Company's Ultimate Parent consider it appropriate to prepare the interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2020 on a going concern basis having concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern over the period of assessment.

The outbreak of COVID-19 since the beginning of 2020 continues to have a substantial negative impact on both global and local economies. Across the Bank of Ireland Group, a pro-active response programme has been put in place to continually assess and respond effectively to this evolving situation, adjust operations to maintain business continuity and support the safety and health of both staff and customers. The Directors have obtained representation from the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland that sufficient funds will be made available to ensure the Company can meet its obligations as they fall due for the thirteenmonth period ending November 2021. In addition to this, all exposures relating to B&W Plc are to Ultimate Parent BOI Group with a credit rating of BBB-, and to Governor and Company of Bank of Ireland with a credit rating of A-.

At the date of approval of the financial statements, the overall impact cannot be accurately estimated but an adverse influence on the 2020 financial year performance is expected. The directors do not consider that any adjustments are required to the financial information at this stage. The Company has already taken steps and will be working on a number of initiatives to continue to support its various stakeholders.

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1. BASIS OF PREPARATION (Continued)

1.3 Going concern (continued)

Taking into account the above the Directors of the Company are satisfied that any risk attaching to the continued ability of the Ultimate Parent to provide support to the Company is satisfactorily addressed.

Considerations specific to the Company

Profitability

The Company made a profit after taxation of £0.2m for the six months end 30 June 2020, (June 2019: Profit of £0.4m). The Company holds interest bearing cash deposits in order to meet its liabilities, principally the payment of future preference share dividends. The Company has enough distributable reserves to meet these obligations and to cover its costs. The Directors are satisfied that the Company will continue to be profitable for the period of assessment. Profitability depends on the continued interest-free funding provided by the parent company and this is considered below.

Liquidity and funding

The primary external non-BoI Group plc liability of the Company is the payment of dividends on its preference shares and the repayment of the preference shares. The Company has an interest free loan of £70 million from its Parent, Bank of Ireland UK Holdings plc. The Company has placed deposits with The Bank of Ireland Group plc, and these deposits earn sufficient interest to meet its liabilities for the period of assessment. The Directors have also obtained representation from The Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland (the Intermediate Parent) that sufficient funds will be made available to ensure the Company can meet its obligations as they fall due for the foreseeable future.

Capital

At 30 June 2020 the Company had total equity of £5.85m comprising share capital of £0.05m and retained earnings of £5.8m. The Company has an interest-free loan of £70 million from its Parent, Bank of Ireland UK Holdings plc, which provides funding to ensure that future financial obligations can be met. To ensure that these financial obligations can be met, there are a number of safeguards in place, as referred to in the liquidity and funding section of this note, which have been considered by the Directors in assessing the capital position of the Company.

Conclusion

On the basis of the above assessments regarding the Company's capital and liquidity requirements and its profitability, and given that the BoI Group plc's interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2020 have been prepared on a going concern basis, the Directors consider it appropriate to prepare the financial statements of the Company on a going concern basis having concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern over the period of assessment.

NOTES TO THE INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies and methods of computation and presentation applied by the Company in the preparation of the interim financial statements are consistent with those set out on pages 21 to 26 of the Company's Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2019.

2.1 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The preparation of the interim financial statements requires the Company to make estimates and judgements that impact the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expense. There were no critical accounting estimates or judgements in the period compared to those applied at 31 December 2019, as set out on page 27 of the Company's Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2019.

3. OPERATING SEGMENTS

The Company operates in one business segment; therefore a business segments note is not presented. All of the Company's business is in the UK.

4. INTEREST INCOME AND INTEREST EXPENSE

| | 6 months ended 30 June 2020 £'000 | 6 months ended 30 June 2019 £'000 |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Interest income | | |
| Amounts due from fellow group undertakings | 1,849 | 2,015 |
| Interest expense | | |
| Preference share dividends | 1,324 | 1,082 |
| Unclaimed preference share dividends | - | 164 |
| | 1,324 | 1,246 |

5. TAXATION

| | 6 months ended 30 June 2020 £'000 | 6 months ended 30 June 2019 £'000 |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Current tax: UK Corporation tax at 19% (2019: 19%) | 357 | 381 |
| Current tax charge | 357 | 381 |

NOTES TO THE INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

Deferred tax charge

| | 2 | 2 |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|
| Total Taxation charge | 359 | 383 |

6. LOANS AND ADVANCES TO BANKS

| | As at 30 June 2020 | As at 31 December 2019 |
|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| | £'000 | £'000 |
| Due from the Intermediate Parent: | | |
| Maturity less than 3 months included in cash equivalents | 11,701 | 11,701 |
| Maturity greater than 3 months | 102,230 | 102,219 |
| Impairment loss allowance | (44) | (93) |
| | 113,887 | 113,826 |
| Maturity >3 months analysed as follows: | | |
| Perpetual deposit with interest rate of 5.5% | 66,936 | 66,936 |
| Rolling deposit with floating rate | 35,294 | 35,283 |
| | 102,230 | 102,219 |

Loans and advances to banks with a contractual maturity date of less than twelve months from the balance sheet date total £11,701,000 (31 December 2019: £11,701,000). All amounts are unsecured. All balances are in Stage 1.

7. OTHER ASSETS

| | 30 June 2020 £'000 | 31 December 2019 £'000 |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Accrued interest receivable from Intermediate Parent | 471 | 474 |
| Other | - | 242 |
| | 471 | 716 |

Other balances at 31 December 2019 relate to £241,944 unclaimed dividends paid to the Company.

NOTES TO THE INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

| 8. | DEFERRED | TAX | ASSET |
|----|-----------------|-----|-------|
| | | | |

| o. BELEKKED TAX ABBET | As at 30 June 2020 | As at 31 December 2019 |
|----------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| | £'000 | £'000 |
| Opening balance | 27 | 30 |
| Charge to income statement | (2) | (3) |
| Closing balance | 25 | 27 |

9. PREFERENCE SHARES

| | Rate | As at 30 June 2020 | As at 31 December 2019 | |
|-------------------|-------|--------------------|------------------------|--|
| | % | £'000 | £,000 | |
| Preference shares | 8.125 | 32,593 | 32,593 | |

The preference shares, which are non-redeemable, non-equity shares, rank equally amongst themselves with regard to participation in profits and in priority to the ordinary shares of the Company.

10. AMOUNTS DUE TO BANKS

| | As at 30 June 2020 £'000 | As at 31 December 2019 £'000 |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Amounts due to the Intermediate Parent | 5,367 | 5,551 |

Amounts due to the intermediate Parent at 30 June 2020 reflect advances made during the period. All amounts are non-interest bearing, unsecured and with no fixed repayment date.

11 AMOUNTS DUE TO PARENT

| 11. AMOUNTS DUE TO TAKENT | As at 30 June 2020 £'000 | As at 31 December 2019 £'000 |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Amounts due to parent | 70,000 | 70,000 |

This amount represents an intercompany balance of £70 million from the Parent Company, Bank of Ireland UK Holdings plc. This amount is interest-free, does not have a fixed term and is repayable on demand.

NOTES TO THE INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

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12. OTHER LIABILITIES

| 12. OTHER EIABIETTES | As at 30 June 2020 £'000 | As at 31 December 2019 £'000 |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Accrued interest payable – preference share dividends | 331 | 331 |
| Other | | |

13. SHARE CAPITAL

| | As at 30 June 2020 | As at 31 December 2019 | |
|------------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|--|
| | £'000 | £'000 | |
| Allotted and fully paid | | | |
| 100,000 units of ordinary shares of £0.50 each | 50 | 50 | |

14. FAIR VALUES OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

The fair value of a financial instrument is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

Where possible, the Company calculates fair value using observable market prices. Where market prices are not available, fair values are determined using valuation techniques which may include discounted cash flow models or comparisons to instruments with characteristics either identical or similar to those of the instruments held by the Company or at recent arm's length market transactions. These fair values are classified within a three-level fair value hierarchy, based on the inputs used to value the instrument. Where the inputs might be categorised within different levels of the fair value hierarchy, the fair value measurement in its entirety is categorised in the same level of the hierarchy as the lowest level input that is significant to the entire measurement. The levels are defined as:

Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date.

Level 2 inputs are inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

Transfers between different levels are assessed at the end of all reporting periods. During the period ended 30 June 2020 and the year ended 31 December 2019 there were no transfers between different levels.

Items where the carrying value is a reasonable approximation of fair value are not included, as permitted by IFRS 7. This applies to the Company's other assets; amounts due to banks; amounts due to parent; and other liabilities.

All financial instruments are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost.

NOTES TO THE INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

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14. FAIR VALUES OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES (continued)

A description of the methods, assumptions and processes used to calculate the fair value of these assets and liabilities is set out on pages 32 to 33 of the Company's Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2019. At 30 June 2020, there has been no significant change to those methods, assumptions or processes.

| As at 30 June 2020 | | | | |
|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| | Quoted prices in active market | Valuation techniques observable Inputs | Valuation techniques unobservable Inputs | |
| | Level 1 £'000 | Level 2 £'000 | Level 3 £'000 | Total £'000 |
| Fair value of financial assets held at amortised cost | | | | |
| Loans and advances to banks | - | 141,141 | - | 141,141 |
| Total | - | 141,141 | - | 141,141 |
| Fair value of financial liabilities held at amortised cost | | | | |
| Preference shares | 39,438 | - | - | 39,438 |
| Total | 39,438 | - | - | 39,438 |
| As at 31 December 2019 | Quoted prices in active market | Valuation techniques observable Inputs | Valuation techniques unobservable Inputs | |
| | Level 1 £'000 | Level 2 £'000 | Level 3 £'000 | Total £'000 |
| Fair value of financial assets held at amortised cost | 2 000 | 2 000 | £ 000 | £ 000 |
| Loans and advances to banks | - | 174,552 | - | 174,552 |
| Total | - | 174,552 | - | 174,552 |
| Fair value of financial liabilities held at amortised cost | | | | |
| Preference shares | 43,676 | _ | - | 43,676 |
| Total | 43,676 | - | - | 43,676 |

NOTES TO THE INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

14. FAIR VALUES OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES (continued)

The carrying amount and the fair value of the Company's financial assets and liabilities as at 30 June 2020 and 31 December 2019 are set out in the table below.

| | | 30 June 2020 | | 31 December 2019 | |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| | | Carrying value £'000 | Fair value £'000 | Carrying value £'000 | Fair value £'000 |
| Financial assets | | | | | |
| Loans and advances to banks | (Note 1 below) | 113,887 | 141,141 | 113,827 | 174,552 |
| Total | | 113,887 | 141,141 | 113,827 | 174,552 |
| Financial liabilities Preference shares | (Note 2 below) | 32,593 | 39,438 | 32,593 | 43,676 |
| Total | | 32,593 | 39,438 | 32,593 | 43,676 |

The following notes summarise the methods and assumptions used in estimating the fair values of financial instruments shown:

- 1. Loans and advances to banks
 - This comprises inter-bank placements.
 - The estimated fair value of fixed interest bearing deposits is based on discounted cash flows, using prevailing money-market interest rates for assets with similar credit risk and remaining maturity.
 - The increase in fair value from 31 December 2019 reflects movements in these rates during the period.

2. Preference shares

The fair values of these instruments are calculated based on quoted market prices where available (level 1 inputs).

15. EQUITY DIVIDENDS

No ordinary share dividends were declared or paid during the period (year ended 31 December 2019: £nil).

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16. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The tables below detail balances outstanding at the end of the period with related parties, and movements in these balances during the period.

All related party transactions were made on terms equivalent to those that prevail in arm's length transactions.

| BOI Group | | Parent | |
|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 30 | 31 | 30 | 31 |
| June | December | June | December |
| 2020 | 2019 | 2020 | 2019 |
| £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 |
| | | | |
| 114,300 | 113,995 | _ | _ |
| , | , | | |
| 58 | 305 | _ | _ |
| | | | |
| 114,358 | 114,300 | _ | - |
| | | | |
| 1,849 | 3,939 | - | - |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| 5,525 | 6,106 | 70,000 | 70,000 |
| | | | |
| 61 | (581) | | |
| | | | |
| 5,587 | 5,525 | 70,000 | 70,000 |
| | June 2020 £'000 114,300 58 114,358 1,849 5,525 61 | 30 31 June December 2020 2019 £'000 £'000 114,300 113,995 58 305 114,358 114,300 1,849 3,939 5,525 6,106 61 (581) | 30 31 30 June December June 2020 2019 2020 £'000 £'000 £'000 114,300 113,995 - 58 305 - 114,358 114,300 - 1,849 3,939 - 5,525 6,106 70,000 61 (581) - |

There are no provisions in respect of any failure, or anticipated failure, to repay any of the above loans or interest thereon.

There are no transactions with key management personnel of the Company during the period (31 December 2019: no transactions).

17. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Bank of Ireland UK Holdings plc. The Company's Ultimate Parent Company is Bank of Ireland Group plc. These financial statements are included in the consolidated financial statements of Bank of Ireland Group plc (the Ultimate Parent) and The Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland (the Intermediate Parent).

A copy of the BoI Group plc financial statements may be obtained from Bank of Ireland, 40 Mespil Road, Dublin 4 or www.bankofireland.com.

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18. REVIEW OF INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The interim financial statements have not been reviewed or audited by the independent auditor of the Company.

19. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

There were no post balance sheet events requiring disclosure in the financial statements.