

# **Bristol & West plc**

## **Interim Report for the six months ended 30 June 2023**



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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 2023.

**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. 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.

The Company made a profit before taxation of £1.8m in the six months ended 30 June 2023 (30 June 2022: £0.6m). No ordinary share dividends were declared or paid during the six months ended 30 June 2023 (year ended 31 December 2022: £nil).

On 21 June 2023, The Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland “GovCo” announced invitations to holders to tender any and all of their £32,593,734 8.125% Preference Shares issued by the Company. On 3 August 2023, GovCo announced that it accepted all valid tenders of 8.125% Preference Shares received pursuant to the Offer for that instrument. £15,819,944 (or 48.54%) of the Preference Shares were validly tendered. Following the settlement of the tendered Preference Shares on 16 August 2023 GovCo owns 48.54% of the Preference Shares issued by the Company. BoI Group’s ultimate intention is to liquidate the Company. GovCo intends to retain the Preference Shares with the objective of acquiring a sufficient number of Preference Shares to pass a Liquidation Resolution at a general meeting. This has been disclosed as a Post Balance sheet Event in Note 19, on page 19.

The Company is dependent on the BoI Group for liquidity and the funding of its Balance Sheet and for maintaining sufficient levels of capital. Having considered the key dependencies as outlined in note 1.3, the going concern assessment of the BoI Group, the Directors consider it appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. However given that the ultimate intention of the BoI Group is to liquidate the Company, this matter indicates the existence of a material uncertainty related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company’s ability to continue as a going concern and, therefore, the Company may be unable to realise its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that would result from the basis of preparation being inappropriate.

**Principal Risks and Uncertainties**

The Company considers its strategic, operational and financial risks and identifies actions to mitigate these risks and uncertainties. There has been no significant change to the principal risks and uncertainties faced by the Company since 31 December 2022. Details of the Company’s risk management strategy are set out on pages 3 to 5 of the Company’s Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2022. Details of the Company’s risk profile are set out on pages 34 to 37 of the Company’s Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2022.

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.

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**INTERIM MANAGEMENT REPORT**

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**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 2023 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 (Resigned 25 July 2023)

Tom Wright

Alan McNamara

Lorraine Smyth (Resigned 1 June 2023)

Company Secretary

Hill Wilson Secretarial Limited

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**RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT**

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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 2023 or material changes to related party transactions described in the Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2022.

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:



Tom Wright  
Chairman

Date: 29 September 2023

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**STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED)**

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**FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

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		<b>6 months ended 30 June 2023</b>	<b>6 months ended 30 June 2022</b>
	<b>Note</b>	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>
Interest income	4	3,163	1,845
Interest expense	4	(1,324)	(1,238)
<b>Net interest income</b>		<u>1,839</u>	<u>607</u>
<b>Net Interest Income &amp; Total operating income</b>		<u>1,839</u>	<u>607</u>
Net Impairment Gain (Loss)		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(14)</u>
<b>Profit for the period before taxation</b>		<b>1,838</b>	<b>593</b>
Taxation charge	5	(701)	(351)
<b>Profit and total comprehensive income for the period</b>		<u><u>1,137</u></u>	<u><u>242</u></u>

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**BALANCE SHEET (UNAUDITED) AS AT 30 JUNE 2023**

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		30 June 2023	31 December 2022
	Note	£'000	£'000
<b>Assets</b>			
Loans and advances to banks	6	115,211	113,901
Other assets	7	584	573
Current tax asset		-	5
Deferred tax asset	8	29	31
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>115,824</b>	<b>114,510</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Amounts due to banks	10	4,111	4,196
Amounts due to parent	11	70,000	70,000
Other liabilities	12	409	409
Current tax liabilities		262	-
Preference Shares	9	32,593	32,593
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>107,375</b>	<b>107,198</b>
<b>Equity</b>			
Share capital	13	50	50
Retained earnings		8,399	7,262
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>8,449</b>	<b>7,312</b>
<b>Total equity and liabilities</b>		<b>115,824</b>	<b>114,510</b>

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



Tom Wright  
Chairman

Date: 29 September 2023

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (UNAUDITED)**

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**FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

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	<b>6 months ended 30 June 2023 £'000</b>	<b>12 months to 31 December 2022 £'000</b>
<b>Share capital</b>		
Balance at the beginning and at the end of the period	<u>50</u>	<u>50</u>
<b>Retained earnings</b>		
Balance at the beginning of the year	7,262	6,749
Profit and total comprehensive income for the period	<u>1,137</u>	<u>513</u>
Balance at the end of the period	<u>8,399</u>	<u>7,262</u>
<b>Total Equity</b>	<u><b>8,449</b></u>	<u><b>7,312</b></u>



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**CASH FLOW STATEMENT (UNAUDITED)**  
**FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

		6 months ended 30 June 2023	6 months ended 30 June 2022
	Note	£'000	£'000
<b>Cash flows generated from operating activities</b>			
Profit before taxation		1,838	593
Interest expense on preference shares	4	1,324	1,238
Impairment loss allowance	6	1	14
<b>Cash flows generated from operating activities before changes in operating assets and liabilities</b>		<b>3,163</b>	<b>1,845</b>
Net change in loans and advances to banks	6	(1,310)	-
Net change in other assets	7	(11)	(88)
Net change in amounts due to banks	10	(85)	337
Net change in other liabilities	12	-	-
<b>Net cash flow generated from operating assets and liabilities</b>		<b>(1,406)</b>	<b>249</b>
<b>Net cash flow generated from operating activities before taxation</b>		<b>1,757</b>	<b>2,094</b>
Taxation paid		(433)	(856)
<b>Net cash flow generated from operating activities</b>		<b>1,324</b>	<b>1,238</b>
<b>Financing activities</b>			
Interest paid on preference shares	4	(1,324)	(1,238)
<b>Net change in cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
Opening cash and cash equivalents	6	11,701	11,701
<b>Closing cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>11,701</b>	<b>11,701</b>

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

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**NOTES TO THE INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)**

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**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 2022, which were prepared in accordance with UK-adopted international accounting standards and as applied in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006.

**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 2022 were approved by the Board of Directors on 27 April 2023 and filed with the Registrar of Companies on 20 June 2023. 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 2023 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 2023 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 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 foreseeable future. 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-.

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.

## **1. BASIS OF PREPARATION (Continued)**

### **1.3 Going concern (continued)**

#### **Considerations specific to the Company**

##### **Profitability**

The Company made a profit after taxation of £1.1m for the six months end 30 June 2023 (June 2022: Profit of £0.2m). 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 Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland, 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 2023 the Company had total equity of £8.45m comprising share capital of £0.05m and retained earnings of £8.4m. 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.

##### **Redemption of Preference Shares**

On 21 June 2023, The Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland “GovCo”, announced invitations to holders to tender any and all of their £32,593,734 8.125% Preference Shares issued by the Company. On 3 August 2023, GovCo announced through the Regulatory News Service (RNS) that it accepted all valid tenders of 8.125% Preference Shares received pursuant to the Offer for that instrument. £15,819,944 (or 48.54%) of the Preference Shares were validly tendered.

Following the settlement of the tendered Preference Shares on 16 August 2023, GovCo owns 48.54% of the Preference Shares issued by the Company. Bank of Ireland UK Holdings plc also holds 100,000 Ordinary Shares in Bristol & West plc. BoI Group in aggregate holds 48.62% of the entire issued share capital of the Company. It is the ultimate intention of the BoI Group to liquidate the Company through a voluntary liquidation process. A Liquidation Resolution would need to be approved by 75% of the shareholders of the Company.

##### **Conclusion**

On the basis of the above assessments the Directors consider it appropriate to prepare the financial statements of the Company on a going concern basis. However given that the ultimate intention of the BoI Group is to liquidate the Company, this matter indicates the existence of a material uncertainty related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company’s ability to continue as a going concern and, therefore, the Company may be unable to realise its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that would result from the basis of preparation being inappropriate.

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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 18 to 25 of the Company's Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2022.

**2.1 Critical accounting estimates and judgements**

**Going Concern: Judgement**

The Directors have concluded that it is appropriate to prepare the financial statements for the Company on a going concern basis. For further information please refer to the Going Concern disclosure in note 1.3 on pages 10 & 11.

**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**

	<b>6 months ended 30 June 2023</b>	<b>6 months ended 30 June 2022</b>
	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>
<b>Interest income</b>		
Amounts due from fellow group undertakings	3,163	1,845
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<b>Interest expense</b>		
Preference share dividends	1,324	1,238
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	<b>1,324</b>	<b>1,238</b>

**5. TAXATION**

	<b>6 months ended 30 June 2023</b>	<b>6 months ended 30 June 2022</b>
	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>
Current tax charge	699	349
Deferred tax charge	2	2
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<b>Total Taxation charge</b>	<b>701</b>	<b>351</b>

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**5. TAXATION (continued)**

The reconciliation of tax on the profit before taxation at the standard UK corporation tax rate to the Company's actual tax charge for the 6 months ended 30 June 2023 and 30 June 2022 is as follows:

	<b>6 months ended 30 June 2023 £'000</b>	<b>6 months ended 30 June 2022 £'000</b>
Profit before tax	1,838	593
Tax calculated at a rate of 22% (2022: 19%)	404	113
Preference share dividends	292	235
Adjustment in respect of prior year	5	1,011
Group relief at no cost – prior year	-	(1,008)
Total tax charge	<b>701</b>	<b>351</b>

**6. LOANS AND ADVANCES TO BANKS**

	<b>As at 30 June 2023 £'000</b>	<b>As at 31 December 2022 £'000</b>
Due from the Intermediate Parent:		
Maturity less than 3 months included in cash equivalents	11,701	11,701
Maturity greater than 3 months	103,552	102,241
Impairment loss allowance	(42)	(41)
	<b>115,211</b>	<b>113,901</b>
Maturity >3 months analysed as follows:		
Perpetual deposit with interest rate of 5.5%	66,936	66,936
Rolling deposit with floating rate	36,616	35,305
	<b>103,552</b>	<b>102,241</b>

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 2022: £11,701,000). All amounts are unsecured. All balances are in Stage 1.

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**7. OTHER ASSETS**

	<b>30 June 2023 £'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 £'000</b>
Accrued interest receivable from Intermediate Parent	495	484
Other	89	89
	<u>584</u>	<u>573</u>

Other balances relate to £89,000 unclaimed dividends paid to the Company (31 December 2022: £89,000).

**8. DEFERRED TAX ASSET**

	<b>As at 30 June 2023 £'000</b>	<b>As at 31 December 2022 £'000</b>
Opening balance	31	28
Charge to income statement	(2)	3
Closing balance	<u>29</u>	<u>31</u>

**9. PREFERENCE SHARES**

	<b>Rate</b>	<b>As at 30 June 2023 £'000</b>	<b>As at 31 December 2022 £'000</b>
	<b>%</b>		
Preference shares	8.125	<u>32,593</u>	<u>32,593</u>

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**

	<b>As at 30 June 2023 £'000</b>	<b>As at 31 December 2022 £'000</b>
Amounts due to the Intermediate Parent	<u>4,111</u>	<u>4,196</u>

Amounts due to the intermediate Parent at 30 June 2023 are reflective of payments made on behalf of the Company by the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland. These payments were made to settle Company obligations to fellow BoI Group Companies and third parties. All amounts are non-interest bearing, unsecured and with no fixed repayment date.

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**11. AMOUNTS DUE TO PARENT**

	<b>As at 30 June 2023 £'000</b>	<b>As at 31 December 2022 £'000</b>
Amounts due to parent	<u>70,000</u>	<u>70,000</u>

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.

**12. OTHER LIABILITIES**

	<b>As at 30 June 2023 £'000</b>	<b>As at 31 December 2022 £'000</b>
Accrued interest payable – preference share dividends	331	331
Other	78	78
	<u>409</u>	<u>409</u>

**13. SHARE CAPITAL**

	<b>As at 30 June 2023 £'000</b>	<b>As at 31 December 2022 £'000</b>
Allotted and fully paid 100,000 units of ordinary shares of £0.50 each	<u>50</u>	<u>50</u>

**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.

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

**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 2023 and the year ended 31 December 2022 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.

A description of the methods, assumptions and processes used to calculate the fair value of these assets and liabilities is set out on pages 31 to 34 of the Company's Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2022. At 30 June 2023, there has been no significant change to those methods, assumptions or processes.

**As at 30 June 2023**

	<b>Quoted prices in active market</b>	<b>Valuation techniques observable Inputs</b>	<b>Valuation techniques unobservable Inputs</b>	
	<b>Level 1 £'000</b>	<b>Level 2 £'000</b>	<b>Level 3 £'000</b>	<b>Total £'000</b>
<b>Fair value of financial assets held at amortised cost</b>				
Loans and advances to banks	-	115,867	-	115,867
Total	-	115,867	-	115,867
<b>Fair value of financial liabilities held at amortised cost</b>				
Preference shares	37,972	-	-	37,972
Total	37,972	-	-	37,972

**As at 31 December 2022**

	<b>Quoted prices in active market</b>	<b>Valuation techniques observable Inputs</b>	<b>Valuation techniques unobservable Inputs</b>	
	<b>Level 1 £'000</b>	<b>Level 2 £'000</b>	<b>Level 3 £'000</b>	<b>Total £'000</b>
<b>Fair value of financial assets held at amortised cost</b>				
Loans and advances to banks	-	117,998	-	117,998
Total	-	117,998	-	117,998
<b>Fair value of financial liabilities held at amortised cost</b>				
Preference shares	36,342	-	-	36,342
Total	36,342	-	-	36,342



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**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 2023 and 31 December 2022 are set out in the table below.

		<b>30 June 2023</b>		<b>31 December 2022</b>	
		<b>Carrying value £'000</b>	<b>Fair value £'000</b>	<b>Carrying value £'000</b>	<b>Fair value £'000</b>
<b>Financial assets</b>					
Loans and advances to banks	(Note 1 below)	115,211	115,867	113,901	117,998
Total		<u>115,211</u>	<u>115,867</u>	<u>113,901</u>	<u>117,998</u>
<b>Financial liabilities</b>					
Preference shares	(Note 2 below)	32,593	37,972	32,593	36,342
Total		<u>32,593</u>	<u>37,972</u>	<u>32,593</u>	<u>36,342</u>

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 decrease in fair value from 31 December 2022 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 2022: £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.

	<b>BOI Group</b>		<b>Parent</b>	
	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>
	<b>June</b>	<b>December</b>	<b>June</b>	<b>December</b>
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>
<b>Assets</b>				
At the beginning of the period	110,690	110,695	-	-
Net amount advanced/(repaid)	<u>1,853</u>	<u>(5)</u>	-	-
At the end of the period	<u>112,543</u>	<u>110,690</u>	-	-
Interest income	<u>3,163</u>	<u>3,694</u>	-	-
<b>Liabilities</b>				
At the beginning of the period	4,196	4,879	70,000	70,000
Net amount repaid	<u>(85)</u>	<u>(683)</u>	-	-
At the end of the period	<u>4,111</u>	<u>4,196</u>	<u>70,000</u>	<u>70,000</u>

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 2022: no transactions).

**Taxation**

Group relief was surrendered for no payment as per note 5.

**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](http://www.bankofireland.com).

**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**

On 21 June 2023, The Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland “GovCo”, announced invitations to holders to tender any and all of their £32,593,734 8.125% Preference Shares issued by the Company. On 3 August 2023, GovCo announced through the Regulatory News Service (RNS) that it accepted all valid tenders of 8.125% Preference Shares received pursuant to the Offer for that instrument. £15,819,944 (or 48.54%) of the Preference Shares were validly tendered. Following the settlement of the tendered Preference Shares on 16 August 2023 GovCo owns 48.54% of the Preference Shares issued by the Company.