

Lloyds Bank plc

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BASIS OF PRESENTATION

This release covers the results of Lloyds Bank plc (the Bank) together with its subsidiaries (the Group) for the nine months ended 30 September 2017.

Unless otherwise stated, income statement commentaries throughout this document compare the nine months ended 30 September 2017 to the nine months ended 30 September 2016, and the balance sheet analysis compares the Group balance sheet as at 30 September 2017 to the Group balance sheet as at 31 December 2016.

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REVIEW

As a result of the requirements of the ring-fencing regulations, the Bank expects to sell its subsidiary, Scottish Widows Group Limited, to its ultimate holding company during 2018. This is only an internal reorganisation within the Lloyds Banking Group, but due to the significance of the Scottish Widows entities they have been classified as discontinued operations for the purposes of the Bank's consolidated statutory reporting.

Continuing operations

During the nine months to 30 September 2017, the Group recorded a profit before tax from its continuing operations of £4,342 million compared with a profit before tax in the nine months to 30 September 2016 of £1,332 million. The results have been affected by a number of one-off items. In the nine months to 30 September 2016 the Group had incurred a loss of £993 million on transactions related to Lloyds Banking Group's tender offers and redemptions in respect of its Enhanced Capital Notes which completed in March 2016 and a loss of £1,026 million which arose pursuant to a restructuring of the Bank's capital instruments in June 2016. In the nine months to 30 September 2017 the Group has incurred conduct charges of £1,211 million in its continuing businesses compared to £1,553 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016. Excluding these items from both periods, the Group recorded a profit before tax of £5,553 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017, an increase of £649 million, or 13 per cent, from £4,904 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016.

Total income increased by £2,635 million, or 25 per cent, to £13,117 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared with £10,482 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016, comprising a £1,879 million increase in other income and a £756 million increase in net interest income.

Net interest income was £9,130 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017; an increase of £756 million, or 9 per cent, compared to £8,374 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016. Average interest-earning assets fell, reflecting lower balances in run-off, global corporates and closed mortgage books, but the net interest margin improved driven by lower deposit and wholesale funding costs which more than offset continued pressure on asset margins.

Other income was £1,879 million higher at £3,987 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared to £2,108 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016. Net fee and commission income was £2 million lower at £1,388 million compared to £1,390 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016. Net trading income increased by £62 million, or 9 per cent, to £779 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared to £717 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016; in part due to a net release of £50 million in relation to the net derivative valuation adjustment compared to a charge of £42 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016. Other operating income was £1,819 million higher at £1,820 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared to £1 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016. Other operating income in the nine months to 30 September 2016 included the losses on capital transactions totalling £2,019 million detailed above but this impact is partly offset by a £194 million reduction in gains on sale of available-for-sale financial assets. Losses of £15 million on liability management actions in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared to gains of £133 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016.

Operating expenses decreased by £283 million, or 3 per cent, to £8,321 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared with £8,604 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016. A provision of £1,211 million was made in respect of conduct issues in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared to a charge of £1,553 million in the same period in 2016. The charge in 2017 includes £700 million in respect of PPI; claim levels increased as expected in the third quarter following the FCA advertising campaign, reaching about 16,000 per week and have now reduced to about 11,000 per week, above the Group's assumed run-rate of about 9,000 per week. Other conduct provisions of £511 million cover a number of items including packaged bank accounts and arrears handling. Following a review of the Group's arrears handling activities, the Group has put in place a number of actions to improve further its handling of customers in these areas and the Group is reimbursing mortgage arrears fees. The Group is also currently undertaking a review of the HBOS Reading fraud and is in the process of paying compensation to the victims of the fraud for economic losses, ex-gratia payments and awards for distress and inconvenience. A provision of £100 million was taken and reflects the estimated compensation costs for HBOS Reading.

REVIEW (continued)

Excluding all conduct charges from both years, operating expenses were £59 million higher at £7,110 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared to £7,051 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016. Staff costs were £92 million, or 3 per cent, lower at £3,358 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared with £3,450 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016; annual pay rises have been offset by the impact of headcount reductions resulting from the Group's rationalisation programmes and there has been a reduction in severance costs. Premises and equipment costs were £56 million or 11 per cent, higher at £560 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared with £504 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016, in part due to lower profits on sale of tangible assets. Other expenses were £132 million, or 10 per cent, higher at £1,515 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared to £1,383 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016. Depreciation and amortisation costs were £37 million, or 2 per cent, lower at £1,677 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared to £1,714 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016, as higher depreciation on operating lease assets due to increased balances has been offset by reduced charges on intangible assets following certain intangibles related to the acquisition of HBOS in 2009 becoming fully amortised.

Impairment losses decreased by £92 million, or 17 per cent, to £454 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared with £546 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016; with the decrease being due to a charge of £6 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017, compared to £146 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016, in respect of the impairment of available-for-sale financial assets. Impairment losses in respect of loans and advances to customers were £40 million, or 10 per cent, higher at £454 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared with £414 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016; however the charge in 2017 includes £63 million from the consolidation of MBNA, excluding which the charge is £23 million lower. The UK housing market has been resilient and overall credit performance in the mortgage book remains stable. The Motor Finance book benefits from conservative residual values and prudent provisioning with stable credit performance. The credit card book continued to perform strongly, with reductions in persistent debt, and benefiting from a conservative risk appetite. The MBNA portfolio is performing in line with both the Group's expectations and the existing credit card book.

In the nine months to 30 September 2017, the Group recorded a tax charge in respect of its continuing operations of £1,304 million compared to a charge of £703 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016, representing an effective tax rate of 30 per cent, compared to the standard UK corporation tax rate of 19.25 per cent, principally as a result of the banking surcharge and restrictions on the deductibility of conduct provisions.

Discontinued operations

During the nine months to 30 September 2017, the Group recorded a profit before tax from discontinued operations of £613 million compared with a profit before tax in the nine months to 30 September 2016 of £451 million.

Total income decreased by £9,192 million, or 44 per cent, to £11,876 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared with £21,068 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016, comprising a £10,102 million decrease in other income and a £910 million improvement in net interest income.

Net interest income was an expense of £829 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017; an improvement of £910 million compared to an expense of £1,739 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016. There was a decrease of £778 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 in the amounts payable to unit holders in those Open-Ended Investment Companies (OEICs) included in the consolidated results of the Group, reflecting relative levels of investment returns on the assets held by the OEICs. After adjusting for these amounts payable to unitholders, net interest income was £132 million higher.

REVIEW (continued)

Other income was £10,102 million lower at £12,705 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared to £22,807 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016. Net fee and commission income was £16 million or 12 per cent, lower at a deficit of £148 million compared to a deficit of £132 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016. Net trading income decreased by £9,327 million, or 59 per cent, to £6,447 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared to £15,774 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016; with reduced gains on debt securities and equity investments in line with market performance. Insurance premium income was £413 million, or 6 per cent, lower at £6,009 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared with £6,422 million in the same period in 2016; there was a decrease of £325 million in life insurance premiums, with lower levels of bulk annuity income only partly offset by increases in corporate pension products, and a decrease of £88 million in general insurance premiums following the run-down of closed products. Other operating income was £346 million lower at £397 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared to £743 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016.

Insurance claims expense was £9,307 million lower at £10,535 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared to £19,842 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016. The insurance claims expense in respect of life and pensions business was £9,287 million lower at £10,281 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared to £19,568 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016; this decrease reflects a similar reduction in net trading income. Insurance claims in respect of general insurance business were £20 million, or 7 per cent, lower at £254 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared to £274 million in the same period in 2016.

Operating expenses decreased by £47 million, or 6 per cent to £728 million in the nine months to 30 September 2017 compared with £775 million in the nine months to 30 September 2016.

Balance sheet and capital

Total assets were £6,195 million lower at £824,732 million at 30 September 2017 compared to £830,927 million at 31 December 2016. Loans and advances to customers were £10,739 million higher at £462,021 million at 30 September 2017 compared to £451,282 million at 31 December 2016; the addition of £8,003 million of lending following the acquisition of MBNA and a £5,841 million increase in reverse repurchase agreement balances together with the impact of the reacquisition of a portfolio of mortgages from TSB and growth in Consumer Finance and SME lending have more than offset reductions in the larger corporate sector, as the Group focuses on optimising capital and returns, and in closed mortgage books.

Total liabilities were £6,823 million, or 1 per cent, lower at £773,853 million at 30 September 2017 compared to £780,676 million at 31 December 2016. Deposits from banks were £12,063 million, or 77 per cent, higher at £27,753 million at 30 September 2017 compared to £15,690 million at 31 December 2016 as a result of an increase of £14,184 million in repurchase agreements, used as a favourable form of funding. Customer deposits were £1,512 million lower at £413,948 million compared to £415,460 million at 31 December 2016 as a £1,760 million reduction in repurchase agreement balances and reductions in non-relationship deposit balances were more than offset by strong inflows from Commercial clients. Debt securities in issue were £10,696 million, or 14 per cent, lower at £64,037 million at 30 September 2017 compared to £74,733 million at 31 December 2016 following maturities of some tranches of securitisation notes and covered bonds. Other liabilities were £4,182 million, or 33 per cent, higher at £16,935 million at 30 September 2017 compared to £12,753 million at 31 December 2016.

At the end of September the credit rating for Lloyds Bank plc was upgraded by one notch to Aa3 by Moody's. This reflected improvements in asset risk and capital levels combined with an expectation of improving profitability as conduct charges decrease.

Total equity was £628 million higher at £50,879 million at 30 September 2017 compared to £50,251 million at 31 December 2016; as retained profits have been partly offset by dividend payments and negative movements in the Group's cash flow hedging reserve.

REVIEW (continued)

The Group's common equity tier 1 capital ratio increased to 15.5 per cent at 30 September 2017 from 15.1 per cent at 31 December 2016, largely driven by retained profit for the period, net of dividends paid and accrued, and movements in reserves and other items, offset by an increase in the deduction for goodwill and other intangible assets following the acquisition of MBNA. The tier 1 capital ratio increased to 18.0 per cent from 17.7 per cent at 31 December 2016. The total capital ratio remained flat at 21.2 per cent. Risk-weighted assets increased by £1,544 million, or 1 per cent, to £217,727 million at 30 September 2017, compared to £216,183 million at 31 December 2016.

	At 30 Sept 2017	At 31 Dec 2016
	£ million	£ million
Capital resources (transitional)		
Common equity tier 1		
Shareholders' equity per balance sheet	46,889	46,289
Deconsolidation adjustments ¹	999	911
Other adjustments	(2,373)	(3,795)
Deductions from common equity tier 1	(11,705)	(10,861)
Common equity tier 1 capital	33,810	32,544
Additional tier 1 instruments	6,583	7,061
Deductions from tier 1	(1,261)	(1,329)
Total tier 1 capital	39,132	38,276
Tier 2 instruments and eligible provisions	8,296	9,106
Deductions from tier 2	(1,361)	(1,571)
Total capital resources	46,067	45,811
Risk-weighted assets		
Credit risk	168,948	166,621
Counterparty credit risk	6,449	8,419
Contributions to the default fund of a central counterparty	530	340
Credit valuation adjustment risk	762	864
Operational risk	26,222	25,292
Market risk	3,439	3,147
Threshold risk-weighted assets	11,377	11,500
Total risk-weighted assets	217,727	216,183
Ratios		
Common equity tier 1 capital ratio	15.5%	15.1%
Tier 1 capital ratio	18.0%	17.7%
Total capital ratio	21.2%	21.2%

¹ Deconsolidation adjustments relate to the deconsolidation of certain Group entities for regulatory capital purposes, being primarily the Group's Insurance business.

STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT (UNAUDITED)

	Nine months to 30 Sept 2017 £ million	Nine months to 30 Sept 2016 £ million
Interest and similar income	11,790	12,681
Interest and similar expense	(2,660)	(4,307)
Net interest income	9,130	8,374
Fee and commission income	2,153	2,113
Fee and commission expense	(765)	(723)
Net fee and commission income	1,388	1,390
Net trading income	779	717
Other operating income	1,820	1
Other income	3,987	2,108
Total income	13,117	10,482
Regulatory provisions	(1,211)	(1,553)
Other operating expenses	(7,110)	(7,051)
Total operating expenses	(8,321)	(8,604)
Trading surplus	4,796	1,878
Impairment	(454)	(546)
Profit before tax – continuing operations	4,342	1,332
Taxation	(1,304)	(703)
Profit after tax – continuing operations	3,038	629
Profit after tax – discontinued operations	521	320
Profit for the period	3,559	949
Profit attributable to ordinary shareholders	3,295	824
Profit attributable to other equity holders ¹	205	49
Profit attributable to equity holders	3,500	873
Profit attributable to non-controlling interests	59	76
Profit for the period	3,559	949

¹ The profit after tax attributable to other equity holders of £205 million (nine months to 30 September 2016: £49 million) is offset in reserves by a tax credit attributable to ordinary shareholders of £55 million (nine months to 30 September 2016: £14 million).

STATUTORY BALANCE SHEET (UNAUDITED)

	At 30 Sept 2017 £ million	At 31 Dec 2016 £ million
Assets		
Cash and balances at central banks	49,771	47,452
Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	48,735	51,198
Derivative financial instruments	25,582	33,859
Loans and receivables:		
Loans and advances to banks	5,559	5,583
Loans and advances to customers	462,021	451,282
Debt securities	3,703	3,397
Due from fellow Lloyds Banking Group undertakings	7,082	5,624
	478,365	465,886
Available-for-sale financial assets	47,127	56,524
Assets of held-for-sale disposal group	151,423	158,194
Other assets	23,729	17,814
Total assets	824,732	830,927
Liabilities		
Deposits from banks	27,753	15,690
Customer deposits	413,948	415,460
Deposits from fellow Lloyds Banking Group undertakings	11,093	5,444
Trading and other financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	54,715	54,504
Derivative financial instruments	26,414	33,896
Debt securities in issue	64,037	74,733
Subordinated liabilities	14,996	17,258
Liabilities of held-for-sale disposal group	143,962	150,938
Other liabilities	16,935	12,753
Total liabilities	773,853	780,676
Shareholders' equity	46,889	46,289
Other equity interests	3,217	3,217
Non-controlling interests	773	745
Total equity	50,879	50,251
Total equity and liabilities	824,732	830,927

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