

Aviva Insurance Limited

Solvency and Financial Condition Report

Year ended 31 December 2018

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Summary

The purpose of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report (SFCR) is to provide information required by the Solvency II (SII) regulatory framework and in particular the capital position of Aviva Insurance Limited (the Company) at 31 December 2018. The report sets out different aspects of the Company's business and performance, system of governance, risk profile, valuation methods used for solvency purposes and its capital management practices.

Business and Performance

The Company is a limited company registered in Scotland and a member of the Aviva plc group of companies. In 2018 the Company transacted general and health insurance business in the United Kingdom (UK) and Ireland. The major classes of business underwritten are personal lines (motor, home, creditor and other), health and commercial lines (property, liability, motor and other).

The Company made an IFRS profit before tax of £287m in the year ended 31 December 2018 (2017: £216m). This comprised underwriting profit of £136m (2017: £143m), net investment income of £165m (2017: £252m) and other costs of £14m (2017: £179m).

The Company's underwriting profit, net investment income and other costs measure the Company's own performance. The performance of the Company's subsidiaries, including its principal subsidiary Aviva Canada Inc. (ACI), is not reflected in these measurements, except that dividends received from subsidiaries are included in the Company's net investment income.

Net written premiums increased by 2% as a result of continued focus in the Company's preferred products and channels. Underwriting profit movement year on year includes the impact of less favourable weather compared to 2017 offset by higher prior year reserve releases.

The Company has a 50% quota share reinsurance arrangement with fellow subsidiary Aviva International Insurance Limited (AIIL) and ceded net underwriting profit of £141m (2017: £142m) to AIIL during the year.

The other costs incurred during the year ended 31 December 2018 include net costs recharged to the Company in respect of closed defined benefit pension schemes of £35m (2017: £65m), impairment losses on the valuation of subsidiaries, arising from dividends received by the Company, of £46m (2017: £55m), and a credit for an increase in the Ogden discount rate of £95m (2017: £nil).

In December 2018, the Civil Liability Bill became an Act of Parliament, which includes a change in the way the discount rate used to calculate lump sum compensation in personal injury cases (the 'Ogden rate') is set. Although the rate remains uncertain, it is anticipated that Government will set a discount rate which is higher than the current -0.75% rate. At this stage, following a review of a range of outcomes, the Company has adopted a rate of 0.0% within the IFRS full year 2018 reserves. The positive impact of this reserve change of £95m has been included within other costs, a consistent treatment with the previous rate change in 2016.

On 1 February 2019, an insurance portfolio transfer of a subset of the Company's business was made to the Company's wholly owned subsidiary Aviva Insurance Ireland Designated Activity Company (AIIDAC), which is incorporated in Ireland. Following the transfer, the Company entered into a quota share reinsurance agreement with AIIDAC.

Section A of this report sets out further details about the Company's key operations and financial performance over the year.

System of Governance

The Board's role is to be collectively responsible for promoting the long-term success of the Company and for setting the Company's strategy, against which management's performance is monitored. It sets the Company's risk appetite and satisfies itself that financial controls and risk management systems are robust, whilst ensuring the

Company is adequately resourced. A strong system of governance throughout the Company aids effective decision-making and supports the achievement of the Company's objectives for the benefit of customers and shareholders whilst maintaining compliance with regulations.

Roles and responsibilities for risk management in the Company are based around the 'three lines of defence model' where ownership for risk is taken at all levels in the Company. Line management in the business is accountable for risk management, including the implementation of the Risk Management Framework and embedding of the risk culture.

The Risk Management Framework is embedded throughout the Company and forms an integral part of the management and Board processes and decision-making framework across the Company. The key elements of the Risk Management Framework comprise:

- Risk appetite;
- Risk governance, including risk policies and business standards, risk oversight committees and roles and responsibilities; and
- The processes used to identify, measure, manage, monitor and report (IMMMR) risks, including the use of risk models and stress and scenario testing.

The Risk Committee, on behalf of the Board, last carried out a full review of the effectiveness of the Company's systems of internal control and risk management in February 2019.

There have been no material changes in the Company's system of governance during the year.

Section B of this report provides further details of the Company's System of Governance.

Risk Profile

The types of risk to which the Company is exposed have not changed significantly over the year and remain credit, market, underwriting, liquidity and operational risks. The Company's risk profile looks through to the underlying risk exposures of its subsidiaries, including ACI.

Risk identification is carried out on a regular basis, is embedded in the business planning process and any major business initiatives and draws on a combination of internal and external data, covering both normal conditions and stressed environments.

The SII Capital Requirement (SCR) and SCR Cover Ratio are the bases on which the Company sets SII capital risk appetites and limits and are used to assess the significance of risks and to appropriately direct resources to their management.

Some categories of risk are not measured and managed solely by holding capital, principally liquidity risk, which is measured through both absolute level targets and bespoke liquidity coverage ratios.

The Company's underlying risk profile has remained relatively stable during the year. The Company's exposure to underwriting risk, in particular, has remained relatively stable and consistent with new business written in the year.

Section C of this report further describes the risks to which the Company is exposed and how it measures, monitors, manages and mitigates these risks, including any changes in the year to the Company's risk exposures and specific risk mitigation actions taken.

Valuation for Solvency Purposes

Assets, technical provisions and other liabilities are valued in the Company's SII Balance Sheet according to the SII Directive and related guidance. The principle that underlies the valuation methodology for SII purposes is the amount for which they could be exchanged, transferred or settled by knowledgeable and willing third parties in an arm's length transaction.

At 31 December 2018, the Company's excess of assets over liabilities was £2.1bn on a SII basis which is £0.7bn lower than the value under IFRS. The difference is driven by the different bases used to value the Company's participations in its subsidiaries, including ACI, and the elimination of goodwill and intangibles. Under SII, participations are valued at the Company's proportionate equity share of the excess of assets over liabilities of each subsidiary, valued on a look through basis to the SII value of the assets and liabilities of the entity. Goodwill and intangibles are valued at nil under SII.

The majority of the Company's assets measured at fair value are based on quoted market information or observable active market data. Where the quoted market information or observable market data is not available, an alternative method for valuation is used.

The Company has changed its accounting policy relating to the recognition of investments in subsidiaries and associates in its IFRS financial statements. In prior periods subsidiaries and associates were stated at fair value. Investments in subsidiaries and associates are now stated at cost less impairment. This provides relevant and more reliable information as the critical accounting assumptions and judgements involved in calculating a fair value are no longer required. This has no impact on the SII valuation basis. No other material changes were made to the bases used to recognise and value the Company's assets, technical provisions and other liabilities, or to their estimations, during the year.

Section D of this report provides further description of the bases, methods and main assumptions used in the valuation of assets, technical provisions and other liabilities for each material asset or liability class. In addition, it also provides an explanation of the material differences between the IFRS and SII bases of valuation.

Capital Management

The Company's primary capital management objective is to maintain an efficient capital structure in a manner consistent with the Company's risk profile whilst maintaining its regulatory capital surplus in accordance with approved risk appetites.

There have been no material changes to the Company's objectives, policies or processes for managing its capital during the year.

The Company manages its Own Funds in conjunction with its SCR and seeks, on a consistent basis, to:

- Match the profile of its assets and liabilities, taking into account the risks inherent in the business;
- Maintain sufficient, but not excessive, financial strength to support new business growth, and satisfy the requirements of the Company's policyholders and its regulator;
- Retain financial flexibility by maintaining strong liquidity; and
- Allocate capital efficiently, applying it to support value-adding growth and repatriating excess capital to its shareholder through dividends.

In the calculation of the SCR, the Company has chosen to implement a partial internal model (PIM), defined as using a combination of internal model (IM) and standard formula (SF) approaches to calculate solvency capital requirements for different components of its business.

At 31 December 2018, the total eligible Own Funds to meet the SCR was £2.0bn (2017: £2.5bn). This was represented by £1.6bn unrestricted tier 1 capital, £0.3bn tier 2 capital and £0.1bn tier 3 capital, (2017: £2.2bn, £0.3bn and £0bn respectively). Total eligible Own Funds to meet the Minimum Capital Requirement (MCR) were £1.7bn (2017: £2.3bn).

The Company's SCR, at 31 December 2018, was £1.3bn (2017: £1.3bn). Its MCR was £0.4bn (2017: £0.4bn).

The surplus of eligible Own Funds to SCR was £0.7bn (2017: £1.2bn) which translates to an SCR Cover Ratio of 158% (2017: 198%). The reduction in Own Funds and the overall surplus position was mainly driven by dividends paid of £0.4bn and a foreseeable dividend of £0.4bn, partly offset by capital generated from the Company's operations.

Section E of this report further describes the objectives, policies and procedures employed by the Company for managing its Own Funds. The section also covers information on structure and quality of Own Funds and calculation of SCR, including information about the Company's PIM.

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A. Business and Performance

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A. Business and Performance

The 'Business and Performance' section of the report sets out the Company's business structure, key operations, and financial performance over the reporting period.

A.1 Business

The Company is a limited company, registered in Scotland, and is a member of the Aviva plc group of companies (the Group).

Qualifying holdings

The Company's shares and the associated voting rights are wholly owned by Aviva Group Holdings Limited (AGH), being a qualifying holding in the Company.

Supervisor

The Company is authorised by the Prudential Regulatory Authority (PRA). The Company and the Group are regulated by the PRA and the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) in the UK. The PRA is part of the Bank of England. Contact details for the PRA are as follows:

Address 20 Moorgate, London, EC2R 6DA
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External auditor

The Company's external auditor is PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP. Contact details are as follows:

Address 7 More London Riverside, London, SE1 2RT
Telephone number +44 (0) 20 7583 5000

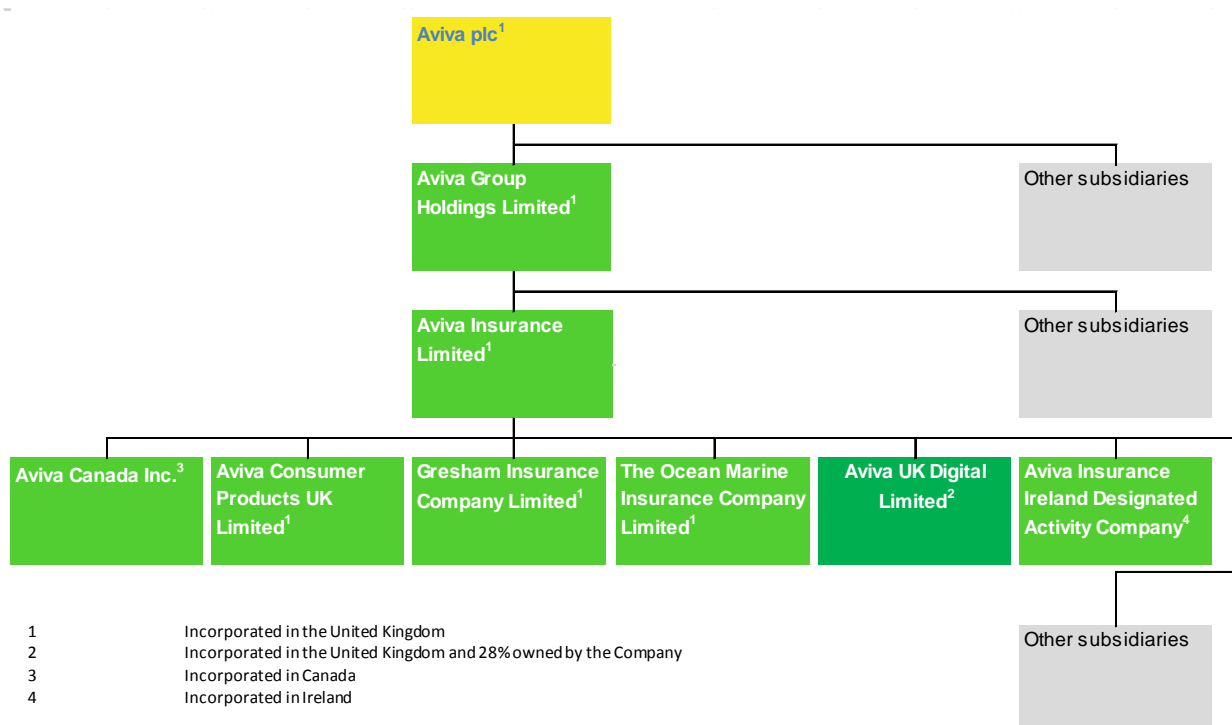
Financial statements

The Company's financial statements are available from the Company Secretary, Aviva Company Secretarial Services Limited, St Helen's, Undershaft, London, EC3P 3DQ.

The SFCR is presented in pound sterling rounded to the nearest million which is consistent with the presentation in the IFRS financial statements. The Quantitative Reporting Templates (QRT) are presented in pound sterling rounded to the nearest thousand. Rounding differences of +/- one unit can occur.

A.1.1 Organisation

The following chart shows, in simplified form, the Company's position within the structure of the Group as at 31 December 2018:



AGH is the immediate parent entity of the Company and Aviva plc is the ultimate controlling parent entity, both are registered in England and Wales. The chart above also presents the Company's material subsidiaries and associates as at 31 December 2018. With the exception of its associate, Aviva UK Digital Limited, the Company's material subsidiaries are wholly owned by the Company. A complete list of the Company's subsidiaries and associates is provided in note 37 to the financial statements.

A.1.2 Business operations and events occurring in the year

Business operations

The Company primarily transacted general and health insurance business in the UK and Ireland. The major classes of business underwritten are personal lines (motor, home, creditor and other), health and commercial lines (property, liability, motor and other). Whilst the Company only conducts non-life insurance activities, the Company has material obligations, similar in nature to life insurance, in the UK in relation to annuities stemming from non-life insurance contracts also known as Periodic Payment Orders (PPO).

Significant business and other events

In December 2018, the Civil Liability Bill became an Act of Parliament, which includes a change in the way the discount rate used to calculate lump sum compensation in personal injury cases (the 'Ogden rate') is set. Although the rate remains uncertain, it is anticipated that the Government will set a discount rate which is higher than the current -0.75% rate. At this stage, following a review of a range of outcomes, the Company has adopted a rate of 0.0% within the full year 2018 reserves.

During the year, the balance of the Company's loan to its immediate parent company, AGH, has reduced by £50m from £1,369m at 31 December 2017 to £1,319m at 31 December 2018. The reduction was settled via an annual repayment in cash of £50m.

A.2 Underwriting Performance

A.2.1 Measurement of underwriting performance

The Company uses underwriting result to measure its underwriting performance. Underwriting result is a non-GAAP financial performance measure, calculated on an IFRS basis. It excludes certain items to enhance comparability and understanding of underwriting performance by highlighting net underwriting income attributable to on-going underwriting operations. Examples of items excluded from underwriting result are investment return, economic assumption changes and amortisation of intangible assets. The excluded items, which comprise the Company's investment performance and its performance of other activities, are detailed in sections A.3 and A.4 respectively.

A.2.2 Underwriting profit

The table below presents the underwriting profit for the Company for the year ended 31 December 2018, as well as the reconciliation of underwriting profit to the profit before tax. The profit before tax is as shown in the Company's financial statements.

	£m	£m	£m	£m
Year ended 31 December	2018	2018	2017	2017
Gross written premiums		5,421		5,296
Premiums ceded to reinsurers		(2,871)		(2,789)
Premiums written net of reinsurance		2,550		2,507
Net change in provision for unearned premiums		(33)		(36)
Net earned premiums		2,517		2,471
Fee and commission income, net of reinsurance		20		19
Net investment income		165		252
Income		2,702		2,742
Claims paid net of recoveries from reinsurers		(1,670)		(1,572)
Change in insurance liabilities, net of reinsurance		162		27
Fee and commission expense, net of reinsurance		(657)		(679)
Other expenses, net of reinsurance		(250)		(302)
Profit / (loss) for the year before tax		287		216
Less: Net investment income (above, see A.3)		(165)		(252)
Add back:				
Changes in economic assumptions for claims provisions	3		9	
Net pension costs recharged to the Company for closed defined benefit schemes	35		65	
Impairment losses on investment in subsidiaries	46		55	
Impact on claims provisions, net of all reinsurance, of the increase in the Ogden discount rate	(95)		-	
Other	25		50	
Performance of other activities (see A.4)		14		179
Underwriting profit		136		143

The Company's net written premiums increased by 2% as a result of continued focus on its preferred products and channels. Growth has been strongest in UK commercial lines premiums driven by an increase in non-motor (within fire and other damage to property and general liability), with solid growth in Small & Medium Enterprises (SME) and Global Corporate & Specialty (GCS) businesses, while commercial motor also increased (within motor vehicle liability and other motor). Stable UK personal lines premiums reflect lower average premiums in a softer motor market (within motor vehicle liability and other motor), offset by growth in home (within fire and other damage to property).

The Company has a 50% quota share reinsurance arrangement with its fellow subsidiary, AILL. The Company's underwriting profit of £136m (2017: £143m) is net of underwriting profit ceded to AILL during the year of £141m (2017: £142m) under this arrangement.

Underwriting profit of £121m (2017: £128m) arose in the UK and £15m (2017: £15m) in Ireland.

Underwriting profit movement year on year includes the impact of less favourable weather compared to 2017 (within fire and other damage to property), offset by higher prior year reserve releases.

A.2.3 Quantitative Reporting Templates S.05.01

Quantification of premiums, claims and expenses, analysed by SII lines of business, is provided in Quantitative Reporting Templates (QRT) S.05.01, (see Appendix F.1.2.1 and F.1.2.2). These QRT have been prepared in accordance with the definitions and formats prescribed under SII. They include the items (except net investment income) excluded from underwriting result in the reconciliation presented in section A.2.2 which are described in section A.4.

A summary of the information provided in the premium, claims and expenses QRT S.05.01, analysed by SII lines of business, is provided in the tables below.

£m	Medical expense insurance	Motor vehicle liability insurance	Other motor insurance	Fire and other damage to property insurance	General liability insurance	Annuities stemming from non-life contracts	Other SII lines of business	Total
Year ended 31 December 2018								
Gross written premium	556	1,550	387	2,165	501	-	262	5,421
Net earned premium	284	764	191	927	230	-	121	2,517
Gross claims incurred	(404)	(886)	(267)	(1,005)	(283)	77	(148)	(2,916)
Net claims incurred	(212)	(413)	(144)	(481)	(131)	9	(71)	(1,443)
Direct expenses incurred	(58)	(166)	(41)	(481)	(78)	-	(54)	(878)
Year ended 31 December 2017								
Gross written premium	568	1,559	390	2,079	443	-	257	5,296
Net earned premium	284	755	189	915	207	-	121	2,471
Gross claims incurred	(406)	(1,107)	(277)	(908)	(245)	4	(125)	(3,064)
Net claims incurred	(213)	(540)	(135)	(399)	(113)	7	(58)	(1,451)
Direct expenses incurred	(55)	(179)	(45)	(469)	(80)	-	(58)	(886)

The material SII lines of business underwritten by the Company, in order of the value of gross written premium, as presented in QRT S.05.01 (Appendix F.1.2.1 and F.1.2.2), are:

	%	%
Year ended 31 December	2018	2017
Fire and other damage to property insurance	40	39
Motor vehicle liability insurance	29	30
Medical expense insurance	10	11
General liability insurance	9	8
Other motor insurance	7	7
Other SII lines of business	5	5
Total	100	100

In addition to the developments described in section A.2.2, comparison of QRT S.05.01 for the year ended 31 December 2018 with that for 2017 is significantly affected by the following factor, which impacts QRT S.05.01 but is excluded from underwriting profit:

- As referred to in Section A.1.2, it is anticipated that the Government will set an Ogden discount rate which is higher than the current -0.75% rate. At this stage, following a review of a range of outcomes, the Company has adopted a rate of 0.0% within the IFRS claims reserves at 31 December 2018. The Company's IFRS claims provisions as at 31 December 2017 were valued using a rate of -0.75% which was also used to value the Company's claims provisions as at 31 December 2016. The impact of the change in Ogden rate on net claims incurred for 2018, as reported in QRT S.05.01, is £95m. Gross and net claims incurred for motor vehicle liability, other motor and general liability are particularly affected by the change in the Ogden discount rate.

A.3 Investment Performance

A.3.1 Measurement of investment performance

Net investment income, as shown in the Company's financial statements, is used as the measure to report the Company's investment performance.

Net investment income analysed by asset class

The Company's net investment income for the year was £165m (2017: £252m). The table below provides an analysis of net investment income by asset class.

Net investment income £m	Investments in subsidiaries	Debt securities	Other financial investments	Loans with Group companies	Interest payable under quota share reinsurance with AILL	Investment property	Total
Year ended 31 December 2018							
Dividend income	107	-	30	-	-	-	137
Interest income/(expense)	-	77	(4)	58	30	-	161
Unrealised gains/(losses)	-	(108)	(92)	-	-	8	(192)
Realised gains/(losses)	-	68	(22)	-	-	-	46
Rental income less expense	-	-	-	-	-	15	15
Other (incl. investment expenses)							(2)
Total	107	37	(88)	58	30	23	165
Year ended 31 December 2017							
Dividend income	122	-	12	-	-	-	134
Interest income/(expense)	-	92	(26)	72	(22)	-	116
Unrealised gains/(losses)	-	(89)	47	-	-	12	(30)
Realised gains/(losses)	-	59	(30)	-	-	-	29
Rental income less expense	-	-	-	-	-	12	12
Other (incl. investment expenses)							(9)
Total	122	62	3	72	(22)	24	252

During the year ended 31 December 2018 the Company's net investment income decreased by £87m compared to 2017. It was impacted by year on year economic volatility driven fluctuations in equity and inflation indices coupled with adverse foreign exchange rate movements.

The decrease was mainly due to net investment income from other financial investments of £(88)m, which was £91m lower than 2017. This was driven in particular by the unrealised losses of £(92)m that arose in 2018, compared to gains of £47m in 2017, a reduction of £139m which resulted from market deterioration notably in equities and unit trusts.

The reduced net investment income from other financial investments was partly offset by investment income of £30m receivable by the Company under the quota-share reinsurance arrangement with AILL which increased by £52m, from a payment of £(22)m in 2017. This predominantly reflects AILL's share of the Company's unrealised investment losses.

Net investment income is stated after deduction of £8m (2017: £9m) of investment expenses.

A.3.2 Gains and losses recognised directly in equity

The Company has changed its accounting policy relating to the recognition of investments in subsidiaries and associates. In prior periods subsidiaries were stated at fair value with changes in their fair value recorded directly in equity. Investments in subsidiaries and associates are now stated at cost less impairment.

The material gains and losses recognised directly in equity are summarised in the table below. The comparatives for the year ended 31 December 2017 have been restated to reflect the change in accounting policy. Further detail is provided in note 1 of the Company's financial statements.

	£m	Restated £m
Year ended 31 December	2018	2017
Foreign exchange rate movements	1	3

Further detail is provided in the Statement of Comprehensive Income in the Company's financial statements.

A.3.3 Investments in securitisation

The Company does not have any investments in securitisation.

A.4 Performance of Other Activities

A.4.1 Other income and expense

As described in section A.2.1, performance of other activities comprises those items of other income and expense, other than net investment return, excluded from underwriting result. The table in section A.2.2 summarises the loss of £14m (2017: £179m) that the Company sustained from its performance of other activities during the year. The material components are as follows:

Net contributions to closed defined benefit pension schemes: £35m (2017: contribution of £65m)

The Company has no employees. However, it is one of a number of companies in the Group being charged for the costs of staff participating in defined benefit pension schemes in the UK and its contributions are affected by the financial position of these schemes. The defined benefit sections for the schemes are now closed to both new members and future accrual. In the absence of any contractual arrangements to allocate the net defined benefit cost for these schemes, measured in accordance with IAS 19, to individual businesses it is the policy of the Group to allocate this cost fully to the main trading companies. The Company therefore recognises a pension expense equal to its contributions payable in the year. Full disclosure of the Group's pension schemes is given in the Annual Report and Accounts of the Group. The Company's net contributions to closed defined benefit pension schemes during the year were £35m (2017: £65m).

Impairment losses on the valuation of investments in subsidiaries £46m (2017: impairment of £55m)

Net impairments of £46m (2017: £55m) resulted from the full impairment of the cost of investment in two subsidiaries following the receipt of dividends of £46m from them during 2018.

Increase in Ogden discount rate: £95m (2017: nil)

In December 2018, the Civil Liability Bill became an Act of Parliament, which includes a change in the way the discount rate used to calculate lump sum compensation in personal injury cases (the 'Ogden rate') is set. Although the rate remains uncertain, it is anticipated that the Government will set a discount rate which is higher than the current -0.75% rate. At this stage, following a review of a range of outcomes, the Company has adopted a rate of 0.0% within the full year 2018 reserves. The positive impact of this reserve change has been included in other income and expense, a consistent treatment with the previous rate change in 2016.

A.4.2 Leasing arrangements

Net rental income from investment properties was £15m (2017: £12m). Operating lease costs were £21m (2017: £20m). The Company's leasing arrangements are described in sections D.1.6 and D.3.4.

A.5 Any Other Information

In December 2018 the directors declared interim dividends of £359m, which were paid in February 2019. Of these interim dividends, £317m was settled in cash and £42m was set-off against accrued interest due on the Company's loan to AGH (see section E.1.2).

On 1 February 2019, an insurance portfolio transfer of a subset of the Company's business, under Part VII of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, was made to the Company's wholly owned subsidiary Aviva Insurance Ireland Designated Activity Company (AIIDAC), which is incorporated in Ireland. Gross insurance liabilities of £1,028m underpinned by £1,028m of assets comprising premium under a quota share arrangement and other investments were transferred to AIIDAC under this arrangement.

On 1 February 2019, following the Part VII transfer, the Company entered into a quota share reinsurance agreement with AIIDAC. Under the terms of this agreement the Company will reinsure and indemnify AIIDAC at one of two rates, dependent upon the nature of the business:

- 85% quota share arrangement in respect of the transferring Ireland GI branch risks that are situated in the European Economic Area (excluding the UK) and European MDI business; and
- 100% quota share arrangement covering all other transferring business.

On 1 February 2019 the Company made a capital contribution of £38m to AIIDAC, in part consideration for which it received ordinary shares with a nominal value of £13m issued by AIIDAC.

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B. System of Governance

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B. System of Governance

This section of the report sets out information regarding the 'System of Governance' in place within the Company.

Details of the structure of the undertaking's 'administrative, management or supervisory body' (defined as including the Board, and Board committees) are provided. The roles, responsibilities and governance of key functions (defined as the Risk, Compliance, Internal Audit and Actuarial functions) are also provided. Other components of the system of governance are also outlined, including the risk management system and internal control system implemented across the business.

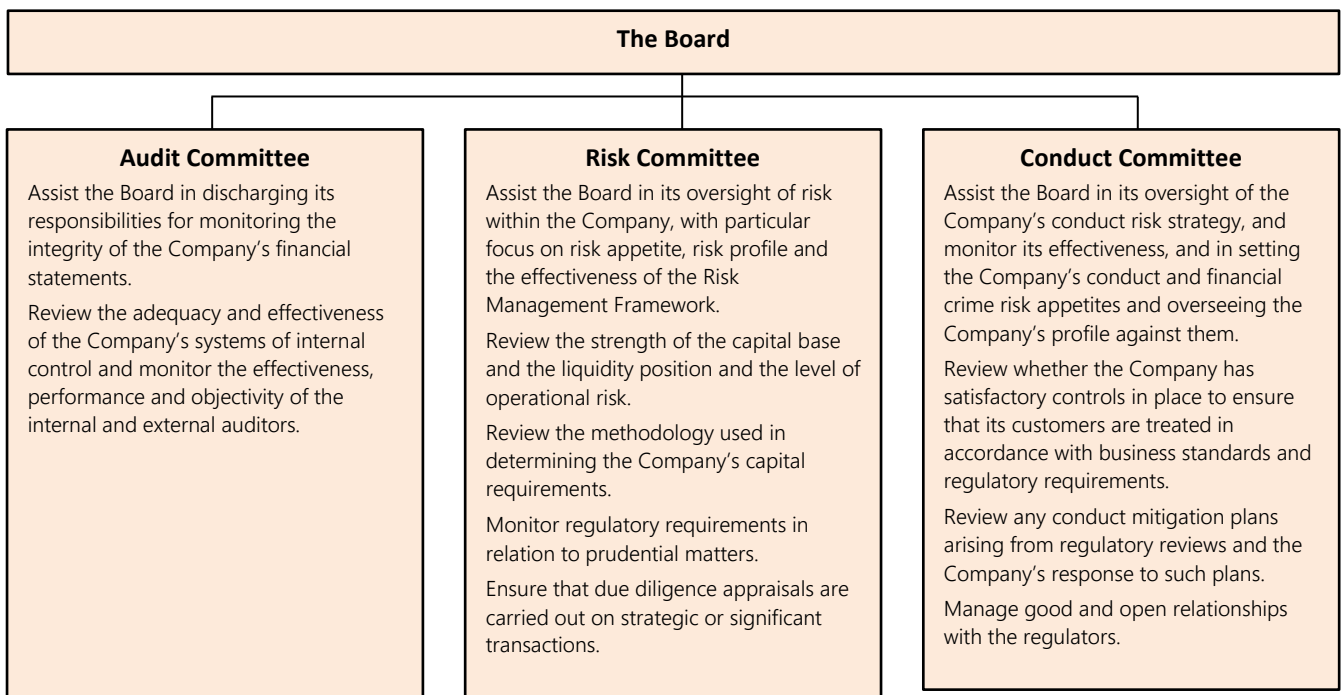
B.1 General Information on the System of Governance

B.1.1 Board structure

The Company's Board is responsible for promoting the long-term success of the Company and for setting its strategy. It sets the Company's risk appetite and satisfies itself that financial controls and risk management systems are robust. A strong system of governance throughout the Company aids effective decision-making and supports the achievement of the Company's objectives for the benefit of policyholders and the shareholder.

The Company's Board has established various committees and delegated responsibilities to assist in its oversight of risk management and the approach to internal controls. The duties of the Company's Board and of each of its committees are set out in their respective terms of reference. The terms of reference list both those items that are specifically reserved for decision by the Board and those matters that must be reported to the Board.

The diagram below shows the segregation of responsibilities between the various committees, in addition to a description of the main roles of each.



The Company's Board comprises the Chairman (an Independent Non-Executive Director (NED)), the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), the Chief Financial Officer (CFO), the Managing Director of the UK General Insurance business, and six further NEDs (five independent and one nominated by the Group). The three committees comprise independent NEDs only.

The 'three lines of defence model', and roles and responsibilities of key functions

Roles and responsibilities for risk management in the Company are based around the three lines of defence model.

The first line

Management are responsible for the application of the Risk Management Framework, for implementing and monitoring the operation of the system of internal control and for providing assurance to the Audit, Conduct and Risk Committees and the Board.

The second line

- The Risk Management Function is accountable for the quantitative and qualitative oversight and challenge of the identification, measurement, management, monitoring and reporting of principal risks and for developing the Risk Management Framework;
- The Actuarial Function is accountable for actuarial methodology, and reporting to the relevant governing body on the adequacy of reserves and capital requirements, as well as on underwriting and reinsurance arrangements; and
- The Compliance Function supports and advises the business on the identification, measurement and management of its regulatory, financial crime and conduct risks and is accountable for monitoring and reporting on the Company's compliance risk profile.

The third line

The Internal Audit Function provides independent and objective assessment on the robustness of the Risk Management Framework and the appropriateness and effectiveness of internal control to the Audit, Conduct and Risk Committees, and to the Board.

Sections B.3.2, B.4.2, B.5 and B.6 detail the roles, responsibilities, authority, resources, independence and reporting lines of the Risk Management, Compliance, Internal Audit and Actuarial Functions respectively, and how their independence is ensured.

B.1.2 Material changes in the system of governance

There have been no material changes in the Company's systems of governance during the year.

B.1.3 Adequacy of the Company's system of governance

An assessment of the effectiveness of the Company's governance, internal control and risk management systems was conducted at the end of 2018, and led to the CEO certifying that:

- There are sound risk management and internal control systems that are effective and fit for purpose in place across the business; and
- The business operates in a manner which conforms to the minimum requirements outlined in the Company's risk policies and business standards.

The Chief Risk Officer (CRO) provided his own certificate which states that:

- The Risk Function has reviewed and challenged the process supporting the CEO's certification and is satisfied that it can provide reasonable assurance of the material accuracy and completeness of the CEO's assessment; and
- No material gaps exist in the Risk Management Framework.

Any material risks not previously identified, control weaknesses or non-compliance with the Company's risk policies and business standards or local delegations of authority are highlighted as part of this process. The results of the certification process and details of key failings or weaknesses are reported to the Risk Committee and the Board to enable them to carry out an effectiveness assessment. The Risk Committee, on behalf of the Board, last carried out a full review of the effectiveness of the Company's systems of internal control and risk management in February 2019.

B.1.4 Remuneration policy

Aviva's reward principles and arrangements are designed to incentivise and reward employees for achieving stated business goals in a manner that is consistent with the Company's approach to sound and effective risk management. Aviva's remuneration policy is aligned to the Company's strategy, incentivises achievement of the Company's annual business plan and longer-term sustainable growth of the business, and differentiates reward outcomes based on performance and behaviour that is consistent with the Company's values.

Further details on the remuneration of Directors is included within Note 6 – 'Directors' remuneration' of the Company's financial statements.

B.1.4.1 Executive directors

The remuneration policy provides market competitive remuneration and incentivises Executive Directors (EDs) to achieve both the annual business plan and the longer-term strategic objectives of the Company. Significant levels of deferral and an aggregate shareholding requirement align EDs' interests with those of shareholders and aid retention of key personnel. As well as rewarding the achievement of objectives, variable remuneration can be zero if performance thresholds are not met.

Remuneration of EDs is split between the following components:

- Basic salary informed by individual and business performance, levels of increase for the broader UK employee population and relevant pay data;
- Variable components (refer to section 'Variable components' below for further details);
- Pensions;
- Benefits;
- Relocation and mobility; and
- Shareholding requirement, in the shares of the ultimate parent company.

Variable components

The main forms of variable remuneration for EDs are:

- Annual bonus: Performance is assessed annually against a range of relevant financial, employee, customer and risk targets designed to incentivise the achievement of strategy as well as individual strategic objectives. A significant proportion of any bonus award is deferred into shares which vest in three equal tranches. Cash and deferred awards are subject to malus and clawback; and
- Long-Term Incentive Plan (LTIP): Shares are awarded which vest over a three-year period, in some cases dependent on the achievement of performance conditions over that period, such as growth in operating earnings per share.

Base salaries are benchmarked externally to ensure there is not an overreliance on variable pay by any individual. Total remuneration is leveraged, with a suitable percentage of pay 'at risk' against the achievement of stretching goals, which is aligned with the Company's risk profile and employee behaviour.

B.1.4.2 NEDs

NEDs receive a basic annual fee in respect of their Board duties. Further fees are paid for membership and, where appropriate, chairing Board committees. The Chairman receives a fixed annual fee. Fees are reviewed annually taking into account market data and trends and the scope of specific Board duties.

The Chairman and NEDs do not participate in any incentive or performance plans or pension arrangements and do not receive an expense allowance.

NEDs are reimbursed for reasonable expenses, and any tax arising on those expenses is settled directly by the Company. On the limited occasions when it is appropriate for a NED's spouse or partner to attend a business event, the Company will meet these costs and any tax liabilities that may arise.

B.1.4.3 Other Employees

Remuneration arrangements for employees that are not EDs take account of the seniority and nature of the role, individual performance and local market practice. The components and levels of remuneration for different employees may therefore differ from the policy for EDs. Any such elements are reviewed against market practice and approved in line with internal guidelines and frameworks.

Variable components are discretionary and fully flexible as opposed to a contractual entitlement, and there is a possibility of zero awards being made should the performance of the Company and/or individuals require this (other than where payments are required by law). Individual awards are based on an assessment of performance of individuals allowing for differentiation.

The remuneration of employees in the Risk, Compliance, Internal Audit and Actuarial Functions is determined independently of the financial results of the business areas they oversee. This reinforces the independence of these Functions.

Shares in the ultimate parent company can be awarded to employees. These vest after three years, in some cases dependent on performance conditions over that period.

B.1.4.4 Pension and early retirement schemes

The Company did not operate any enhanced pension arrangements or early retirement schemes during the reporting period.

B.1.5 Material transactions with the shareholder, persons with significant influence on the Company and members of the Board

No material transactions have been identified during the period with persons who exercise a significant influence on the undertaking, or with members of the administrative, management or supervisory body.

Key management personnel may from time to time purchase insurance, savings, asset management or annuity products marketed by Group companies on equivalent terms to all employees of the Group. In 2018 other transactions with key management personnel were not deemed to be significant either by size or in the context of their individual financial positions.

Additional information on the material transactions with the Company's shareholder is included within Note 36 – 'Related party transactions' of the Company's financial statements.

B.2 Fit and Proper Policy

B.2.1 Requirements for the persons who run the Company or who are other key function holders

For persons responsible for running the undertaking or responsible for key functions an assessment of fitness and propriety must consider their allocated responsibilities and skills and experience across the following areas:

- Insurance and financial markets;
- Business strategy and business models;
- System of governance;
- Financial and actuarial analysis;
- Regulatory framework and requirements; and
- Skills relevant to that role.

The Company's requirements in respect of skills, knowledge and expertise for key function holders are set following engagement with both internal and external subject matter experts in each specialism. These requirements and qualifications are captured within individual role descriptions for each key function role.

B.2.2 Process assessing fitness and propriety

The Company has implemented processes to ensure that individuals employed within it, or acting on its behalf, are both fit and proper in line with the PRA and FCA Fit and Proper requirements for individuals subject to the Senior Managers and Certification Regime (SMCR) and the FCA requirements under the Approved Persons Regime (APER). This means that, as part of recruitment and employee screening, an individual's career history will be assessed and validated to establish whether an individual's skills and knowledge are appropriately matched to the role. It also means that checks are in place to ensure that an individual is honest, of good reputation, has integrity and is financially sound.

The governance over the fitness and propriety of individuals includes recruitment, performance management and training. However, to ensure that the Company protects itself against employing individuals who potentially could threaten its customers, properties, facilities or reputation, the majority of its fitness and propriety processes take place at recruitment and more specifically at pre-employment screening. A minimum set of basic screening requirements has been agreed and implemented. Additional enhanced screening requirements are applied for individuals who are approved or certified under either SMCR or APER and the fitness and propriety of these individuals is assessed annually.

Compliance with the initial and ongoing fitness and propriety minimum requirements is reported on a half-yearly basis by the CEO to the Group People Function.

B.3 Risk Management System including the Own Risk and Solvency Assessment

B.3.1 Risk Management Framework

The Risk Management Framework forms an integral part of management and Board processes and the decision-making framework across the Company. The key elements are:

- Risk appetite;
- Risk governance, including risk policies and business standards, risk oversight committees and roles and responsibilities; and
- The IMMMR processes including the use of risk models and stress and scenario testing.

For the purposes of risk identification and measurement risks are usually grouped by risk type: credit, market, liquidity, general insurance and operational risk. Risks falling within these types may affect a number of metrics, including those relating to balance sheet strength, liquidity and profit. They may also affect the performance of products delivered to customers and service provided to customers and distributors, which can be categorised as risks to brand and reputation or as conduct risk.

To promote a consistent and rigorous approach to risk management the Company has adopted a number of risk policies and business standards which set out the risk strategy, appetite, framework and minimum requirements for its operations. Compliance with these policies and standards is confirmed annually.

A regular top-down key risk identification and assessment process is carried out by the Risk Function. This includes the consideration of emerging risks and is supported by deeper thematic reviews. This, together with the risk and control self assessment ("RCSA") process, are the main processes used to IMMMR risks. The RCSA process is run by the first line, with challenge by the Risk Function. It focuses on operational risks, which are recorded on 'iCARE', the Company's risk management system. The risk assessment processes are run separately but are complementary. They are used to generate risk reports which are shared with the relevant risk committees.

Risk models are an important tool in the measurement of risks and are used to support the monitoring and reporting of the risk profile and in the consideration of the risk management actions available. A range of stress (where one risk factor, such as equity returns, is assumed to vary) and scenario (where combinations of risk factors are assumed to vary) tests are undertaken to evaluate their impact on the business and the management actions available to respond to the conditions envisaged.

The Risk Function is accountable for quantitative and qualitative oversight and challenge of the IMMMR process and for developing the Risk Management Framework. Internal Audit provides an independent assessment of the risk framework and internal control processes.

Board oversight of risk and risk management is maintained on a regular basis through the Risk Committee. The Board has overall responsibility for determining risk appetite, which is an expression of the risk the business is willing to take. Risk appetites are set relative to capital and liquidity.

Economic capital risk targets are also set for each risk type, calculated on the basis of the SII balance sheet. The Company's position against risk appetite is monitored and reported to the Board on a regular basis. Long-term sustainability depends upon the protection of franchise value and good customer relationships. As such, the Company has a risk preference that it will not accept risks that materially impair the reputation of the Company and requires that customers are always treated with integrity. The oversight of risk and risk management is supported by the Asset and Liability Committee (ALCO), which focuses on business and financial risks, and the Operational Risk Committee, which focuses on operational and reputational risks.

To further support the role of risk management in decision-making processes, the role of the 'first line' is critical as part of the three lines of defence model. The CEO is responsible for the implementation of the Company's strategies, plans and policies, the monitoring of operational and financial performance, the assessment and control of financial, business and operational risks and the maintenance and ongoing development of a robust control framework and environment in their areas of responsibility. During 2018, the ALCO, a management committee chaired by the CFO, assisted the CFO with the discharge of his responsibilities in relation to management of the Company's balance sheet within risk appetite and provided financial and insurance risk management oversight. The Operational Risk and Conduct Committee, a management committee chaired by the Chief Operating Officer, supported the first line owners of key operations and franchise risks in the discharge of their responsibilities in relation to operational risk management. Since 2018, ALCO and the Operational Risk and Conduct Committees have been covering all UK insurance operations of the Group. These are supplemented by management committees focused solely on the Company.

B.3.2 Risk Function

The Risk Function is responsible for the design and implementation of the Risk Management Framework, and the design, implementation and independent validation of the IM. The Risk Function reports to the Company's Board on material risks, together with any other specific areas of risk requested by the Board, and assists the Board and management in the effective operation of the Risk Management Framework including, amongst other things, the provision of specialist analysis and quality reviews, an aggregated view of the risk profile, and an assessment of the key risks associated with the business's strategy, major projects, strategic investments and other key decisions.

The Risk Function has authority to review all areas of the Company and has full, free and unrestricted access to all activities, records, property and personnel necessary to complete its work. The CRO has direct management accountability for the Risk Function. Appointment and removal of the CRO are matters reserved for the Board, on the recommendation of the Risk Committee, which supports the independence of the Risk Function.

B.3.3 Own Risk and Solvency Assessment

The Company considers that its Own Risk and Solvency Assessment (ORSA) comprises all the processes and tools that underpin the consideration of risk and capital implications in key decisions, including business planning. It provides a continuous and forward-looking assessment of the short-term and long-term risks that the Company faces, or may face, and ensures that its capital requirements are met at all times. In this context, the Board has confirmed the use of the regulatory capital requirement plus a risk appetite buffer as the Company's own measure of capital for the purposes of the ORSA.

The ORSA therefore comprises a number of elements of the Risk Management Framework, which are embedded in the business through the requirements of the business standards around capital allocation, strategy, business planning and stress testing. These elements create an overview of the impact of risk on the business, which are taken into account by management in day-to-day decision-making. In particular, using economic capital in decision-making ensures risk and capital management are connected. The outcomes of the ORSA processes provide the Company's Board and management with insights on the key risks and current and future capital requirements.

The CEO and his direct reports are responsible for the majority of the underlying ORSA processes set out above. The Risk Function is responsible for the design of the Risk Management Framework, including the ORSA Policy and annual ORSA reporting.

Review and approval

The outputs from the ORSA processes are reported to and reviewed by the Board and the Risk Committee regularly during the year. The Risk Committee sets the approach to the ORSA and, on behalf of the Board, oversees the ORSA processes including the identification of risk, the methodology and assumptions used in the IM, and the results of the IM validation exercise. The results of the Company's ORSA processes are considered by the Board when reviewing the Company's strategy and approving annually the business and capital plan.

The annual ORSA Report brings together and summarises a high-level description of the key components of ORSA, together with key developments and outcomes during the year. It provides a forward-looking assessment of the risk and solvency needs of the Company over a 3-year time horizon, reflecting the company's strategy and business plans. The ORSA processes and associated ORSA report play a key role in supporting decision making and strategy development at the Company's Board and Risk Committee.

Outputs of the underlying ORSA processes are presented to the Board and its committees throughout the year. The subsequent ORSA report is produced and approved by the Board annually, or in the event that ORSA triggers are met (per its ORSA policy). For example, an out of cycle ORSA update may be triggered (at the discretion of the Board), in the event of:

- An actual or projected material impact on the Company's Own Funds or diversified SCR compared to Plan;
- The invocation of the Crisis Action Leadership Team (under the Financial Event Response Plan);
- More broadly any potentially material change to the Company's risk profile.

The annual report is submitted to the Board, and subject to their approval shared with the PRA.

Economic capital (as a risk-based capital measure) is embedded in the Company's Risk Management Framework and is used as a key input to a wide range of business and strategic decisions. The framework, supported by risk policies and business standards, sets out the areas where economic capital management information must be used as part of decision-making and risk management processes. This ensures that requirements to use economic capital are embedded within the relevant processes including, but not limited to, strategy and planning. Economic capital is calculated using the IM or through the SF calculation, and aggregated to determine the Company's economic capital requirement using its PIM.

B.3.4 Governance of the IM

The CRO is the ultimate owner of the IM; the day-to-day responsibilities are delegated to the Chief Actuary. The Chief Actuary gives assurance to the Risk Committee that the IM is appropriate for use on an ongoing basis. He also confirms the IM adequately reflects the Company's risk profile, is accurate and works effectively.

The SII IM and Data Governance Business Standards are part of the overall Risk Management Framework. These combine to ensure that the Company operates within a controlled environment when developing methodologies and assumptions and when running processes and systems.

The Risk Committee is responsible for approving any material IM changes before submission to the College of Supervisors for approval. The quarterly model change reports, and supporting evidence, provide the required information to support Risk Committee and the College of Supervisors' approval.

There has been no material change to the governance of the IM during 2018.

Validation process

The Company's IM is validated by testing the individual calibrations and methodologies that are input into the model and the results that are output from the model. The validation tests applied comprise both mathematically defined tests and those based on qualitative judgement. Key tests include benchmarking, back-testing and sensitivity testing. The validation tests are run, documented and assessed against criteria which are designed to draw conclusions on the appropriateness of the IM.

The Internal Model Independent Validation (IMIV) Business Standard defines the scope of IMIV. The Risk Director reviews the findings of the exercise and provides an opinion to the Risk Committee as to whether the IM is suitably accurate and fit for purpose, and whether it is recommended for approval by the Board.

B.4 Internal Control System

B.4.1 System of Internal Control

The Company's principles for ensuring effective internal control are set out in the Risk Management Framework and, in particular, the Internal Control Business Standard. These include:

- An appropriate "tone from the top". This supports the effective management of exposures, adequate resourcing, effective communication, malpractice reporting, a business ethics code that is annually signed up to by employees, and a commitment to integrity, ethical behaviour and compliance;
- A clear organisational structure that supports the system of internal control and includes the effective operation of an adequately resourced three lines of defence model, appropriate and proportionate segregation of duties, a clear system of delegated authorities, clearly defined roles and responsibilities for staff, and the consideration of risk management and control responsibilities when setting objectives for, and reviewing the performance of, all staff;
- Implementation of risk policies and business standards, and consistent IMMMR of all risks;
- Effective controls for each of its core business processes which are regularly monitored and reported on; and
- A risk oversight process that provides adequate challenge to the completeness and openness of internal control and risk assessment.

B.4.2 Compliance Function

The primary purpose of the Compliance Function is to assess and manage exposure to regulatory risk. The Compliance Function is an integral part of the Risk Management Framework and constitutes a key part of the Company's corporate governance, including relationships with the FCA and the PRA, and other regulatory bodies. The function is a critical contributor to the safe and sound operation of the Company and underpins the achievement of its strategy and business goals. The key processes that comprise the Company's compliance activity are:

- Conduct regulatory risk management (including monitoring regulatory developments), performed by the Compliance Function and including activities such as:
 - Setting the conduct and financial crime policy framework;
 - Providing advice, support, guidance and challenge on conduct and financial crime risk; and
 - Managing conduct and financial crime regulatory engagement.
- Prudential regulatory risk management (including monitoring regulatory developments), performed by the Risk Function and including activities such as:
 - Setting the prudential regulatory risk policy framework;
 - Providing advice, support, guidance and challenge on prudential regulatory risk; and
 - Managing prudential regulatory engagement.
- Legal developments monitoring, performed by the Legal & Company Secretarial Function.

Through these processes the Compliance, Risk and Legal Functions also take responsibility for reporting information to the Board and its committees. The oversight of conduct risk has remained a key focus of the Conduct Committee during 2018. The Committee receives a report from the CRO at each meeting which covers any material concerns regarding conduct risk and the treatment of customers generally, along with details and an assessment of the adequacy of management's response.

The CRO has responsibility for prudential and conduct regulatory risk management, whilst the General Counsel is responsible for monitoring legal developments. Those carrying out compliance activities have authority to review all areas of the Company and have full, free and unrestricted access to all activities, records, property and personnel necessary to complete their work, where appropriate.

B.5 Internal Audit Function

The Company's Internal Audit Function is led by the Audit Director who reports directly to the Group Chief Audit Officer and to the Chairman of the Company's Audit Committee.

The Internal Audit Function provides regular reports to the Company's Audit Committee on the robustness of the Company's Risk Management Framework and the appropriateness and effectiveness of the system of internal control. In doing this it considers the adequacy of the Company's system of internal control to manage its business risk and to safeguard its assets and resources. It also considers the effectiveness of any actions put in place by management to address any deficiencies that might exist in the system of internal control.

The Internal Audit Function investigates and reports on cases of suspected financial crime and employee fraud and malpractice, and undertakes designated advisory projects for management.

Independence and objectivity

The Internal Audit Function maintains its independence and objectivity by reporting directly to the Group Chief Audit Officer and the Chairman of the Company's Audit Committee. The Audit Committee has a duty to recommend the appointment or dismissal of the Audit Director to the Board and to participate, jointly with the Chief Audit Officer or designee, in the determination of the objectives of the Internal Audit Director and the evaluation of his levels of achievement, including consultation with the CEO.

The Audit Director proposes a budget which ensures that Internal Audit has sufficient skills and resources to discharge its responsibilities. Internal Audit is authorised to review all areas of the Company and has full, free, and unrestricted access to all activities, records, property, and personnel necessary to complete their work.

Internal Audit Function staff have no direct responsibility for any operational activities. There is a formal policy of rotating staff to ensure that independence is maintained. There is also a restriction on the audits that staff who have previously worked elsewhere in the Company can perform. The Internal Audit Function cannot perform any projects for management that will threaten its actual or perceived independence and objectivity.

An annual declaration of independence is signed by all members of the Internal Audit Function's staff.

B.6 Actuarial Function

The Actuarial Function is accountable for actuarial methodologies and calibrations, plus the resultant Best Estimate Liabilities and capital requirements. It also considers the appropriateness of the IM, supports the IM validation exercises and maintains the IM change log. The Actuarial Function produces an annual report to the Board providing all of the information necessary for the Company's Board to form their own opinion on the adequacy of Technical Provisions and on the Company's underwriting and reinsurance arrangements.

The independence of the Actuarial Function is derived through its membership in the wider Risk Function. The Actuarial Function is led by the Chief Actuary, who reports to the Company's CRO. Persons employed in certain specific roles within the Actuarial Function are subject to the Fit and Proper policy requirements to ensure they have the requisite skills and knowledge to complete their responsibilities. (Fit and Proper requirements are considered in section B.2.).

The Actuarial Function has the authority to review all areas of the Company and has full, free and unrestricted access to all activities, records, property and personnel necessary to complete its work.

B.7 Outsourcing

Policy

The Procurement and Outsourcing Business Standard contains information on the Company's outsourcing policy, setting out the relevant responsibilities, objectives, process, and monitoring arrangements to be applied in cases of outsourcing, all of which shall be consistent with the overall strategy. The Business Standard applies equally to any externally or internally (intra-group) outsourced activity. The objective of this Business Standard is to ensure that minimum control objectives and controls for supplier-related activities are followed by all elements of the business, to ensure that supply risk is managed effectively, customers are being treated fairly and continue to receive good outcomes, as well as mitigating potential financial, operational, contractual, and brand damage caused by inadequate management.

The Business Standard aligns with UK regulatory expectations, the FCA, the PRA, SII and where appropriate, regulatory guidance will be applied as a requirement. The Business Standard applies to all staff involved in supplier-related activities and provides direction to staff on their roles and responsibilities in effectively managing supplier activity. It provides clarity on the definition of outsourcing, including where activity is delegated to an intermediary, and whether an outsourced function or activity is assessed as critical or important. All staff have a responsibility to comply with this Business Standard if they are involved with supplier-related activity.

The Board has approved the objectives and controls in the Business Standard which cover the following areas:

- Supply governance: business oversight of operational performance for sourcing and supply management activities;
- Sourcing: how a service provider of suitable quality is selected;
- Supplier contracting and approvals: financial, commercial and legal approval of contracts; and
- Supplier management and business continuity: risk-based approach to management of supply contracts.

Critical or important outsourcing will attract the highest level of rigour, including regulatory notification, performance and relationship reviews, regulatory compliance reviews, and risk and control assessments.

Critical and important outsourced functions and activities

The Company outsources a range of activities consistent with its outsourcing strategy. These include elements of underwriting, customer contact, including claims handling, IT, accounting services, property services and investment management. Critical or important outsourced operational activities include handling of mobile device and travel insurance claims and provision of data centres.

Jurisdiction of service providers

Critical or important outsourced activities are carried out mostly in the UK, but also in several other jurisdictions. The latter includes handling of mobile device insurance claims for business sold in the EU but outside the UK, international claims predominantly in the location of the insured risk and support functions in India and Sri Lanka. Investment management services are outsourced within the Group in the UK.

B.8 Any Other Information

The Company has no other material information to disclose.

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C. Risk Profile

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C. Risk Profile

The 'Risk Profile' section of this report provides information on the key risks encountered by the Company as well as the corresponding processes for monitoring the risk exposures and the techniques in place for mitigating these risks. Comments have been included in the following sections to highlight where the Company is exposed to underlying risk arising from ACI.

C.1 Underwriting Risk

C.1.1 Exposure

The Company's exposure to non-life (including health similar to non-life) insurance underwriting risk in the UK, Ireland and Canada arises from:

- Inadequate claims reserving assumptions;
- Unforeseen fluctuations in the timing, frequency and severity of claims and claim settlements relative to expectations;
- Unexpected claims arising from a single source;
- Inaccurate pricing of risks or inappropriate underwriting of risks when underwritten; and
- Inadequate reinsurance protection or other risk transfer techniques.

The Company does not underwrite life insurance business, or health products similar to life insurance. Longevity risk, associated with bodily injury claims settled as PPO, is reinsured with Aviva Life & Pensions UK Limited (UKLAP), a fellow Group company.

The Company has a preference for general insurance risk in measured amounts for explicit reward, in line with its core skills in underwriting and pricing. This includes risks ceded to the Company under an inwards reinsurance agreement with its subsidiary undertaking, Gresham, with effect from 1 January 2006 whereby nearly all of Gresham's premiums, claims and expenses are reinsured by the Company. The Company also has an inwards adverse reserve deterioration agreement with its subsidiary undertaking, Ocean Marine (see section C.3.2).

The Company has a 50% internal quota share reinsurance agreement with AILL, further details on this agreement are provided in section A.2.2 and section C.3.2. From 1 January 2019 ACI has entered into a 25% internal quota share reinsurance agreement with AILL.

On 1 February 2019, as part of its Brexit strategy, the Company transferred a subset of its insurance business to its Irish domiciled subsidiary (AIIDAC). A quota share agreement with AIIDAC transfers the majority of these risks back to the Company. Further details are provided in section A.5.

The Company's underlying exposure to underwriting risk has remained relatively stable and consistent with new business written in the year. However, the Company's exposure to underwriting risk remains sensitive to a change in the Ogden discount rate, which is used in calculating awards for claims involving future care costs or loss of earnings. In December 2018, the Civil Liability Bill became an Act of Parliament, which includes a change in the way the discount rate used to calculate lump sum compensation in personal injury cases (the 'Ogden rate') is set. Although the rate remains uncertain, it is anticipated that the Government will set a discount rate which is higher than the current -0.75% rate. At this stage, following a review of a range of outcomes, the Company has adopted a rate of 0.0% within the full year 2018 reserves. Further details are provided in section A.4.1. Any change from this rate in the final Ogden rate would impact underwriting risk exposure because it affects the amount of awards for lump sum bodily injury claims and therefore also the tendency for claimants to settle on a lump sum basis rather than as PPO.

The Company's overall exposure to underwriting risk is measured using the SCR. QRT S.25.02.21 (Appendix F.1.7) shows that the Company's undiversified SCR for underwriting risk is £0.9bn (2017: £0.8bn). Underwriting risk is also measured and monitored in terms of best estimate liabilities, total sum insured and estimated maximum loss. Estimated maximum loss is an estimation of the maximum loss that could be reasonably sustained as a result of a single incident considered to be within the realms of probability. There has been no material change to the measures used to assess underwriting risk during the reporting period.

C.1.2 Risk concentration

The Company avoids underwriting risk concentration through its scale, geographical distribution of underwriting risks, diversity of product lines and diversity of distribution channels. Individual risks and groups of risk are only accepted if, after diversification and reinsurance, the residual risk is within appetite. Controls are in place to ensure accumulations of risk are identified, evaluated and controlled.

The Company's general insurance risk is located in the UK and Ireland, however, the Company is also exposed to the underlying general insurance risk arising from its principal subsidiary ACI, which operates in Canada. This is managed locally but is captured within the Company's SCR. The Company's most concentrated non-life underwriting perils are North European Windstorm and British Columbian Earthquake.

C.1.3 Risk mitigation

The Company manages its exposure to general insurance risk through the application of control frameworks that include:

- Claims reserving that is undertaken by actuaries and is also subject to periodic external review;
- Risk appetites to limit exposures to key general insurance risks;
- Extensive use of data, financial models and analysis to improve pricing and risk selection;
- Underwriting limits linked to delegations of authority that govern underwriting decisions;
- Product development in a management framework that ensures products and propositions meet customer needs;
- Product limits and exclusions;
- Governance of outsourced functions writing products on behalf of the Company; and
- Documented claims management philosophies and procedures.

The primary technique used to mitigate underwriting risk is reinsurance. Reinsurance is purchased to mitigate underwriting risk and to maintain exposures within appetite. In some cases, the Company participates in Group reinsurance programmes, which leverage economies of scale whilst allowing the Company to trade to the full extent of its underwriting appetite.

The Company and its subsidiaries have a number of reinsurance agreements in place, with both internal and external counterparties, to mitigate underwriting risk. Major reinsurance agreements include:

- Catastrophe reinsurance providing protection against the risk of natural hazard events (e.g. earthquake, windstorm);
- Reinsurance of most of the Company's legacy UK latent claims reserves;
- Reinsurance of the legacy London Market claims reserves of the Company's subsidiary undertaking, Ocean Marine;
- Reinsurance of longevity risk on the Company's bodily injury claims settled as PPO;
- The 50% quota share reinsurance agreement with the Group's internal reinsurance vehicle, AILL. Further details are provided in section A.2.2 and section C.3.2;
- Reinsurance of specific flood risks to Flood Re Limited;
- Reinsurance of terrorism risk to Pool Reinsurance Company Limited;
- Casualty excess of loss reinsurance providing protection against the risk of large losses arising from motor liability or general liability insurance; and
- Property excess of loss reinsurance providing protection against the risk of large losses arising from property insurance.

Reinsurance purchases are reviewed to verify that the levels of protection being bought reflect any developments in exposure and the risk appetite of the Company. The basis of these purchases is underpinned by extensive financial and capital modelling and actuarial analyses which consider the cost and capital efficiency benefits. This may involve utilising externally sourced probabilistic models to verify the accumulations and loss probabilities based on specific portfolios of business. In addition to external models, scenarios are developed and tested using Company data to determine potential losses and appropriate levels of reinsurance protection. Reinsurance covers single large exposures and concentrations of exposures. The Company has processes in place to manage catastrophe risk and purchases catastrophe reinsurance to protect against significant natural and man-made hazard events.

The management of insurance risk is overseen by specific senior management committees, namely the GI Reserve and Capital Committee (GIRCC), the ALCO and the Insurance Committee.

C.1.4 Stress and scenario testing and sensitivity analysis

Descriptions of the methods used, assumptions made and outcomes of stress and scenario testing and sensitivity analysis are provided in section C.7.1.

C.1.5 Special purpose vehicles

The Company has not transferred underwriting risk to special purpose vehicles, as defined by the Solvency II Directive.

C.2 Market Risk

C.2.1 Exposure

The Company's exposure to market risk arises from the risk of adverse financial impacts resulting directly or indirectly from fluctuations in interest rates, equity prices, property prices, foreign currency exchange rates and inflation. Market risk arises due to fluctuations in both the value of liabilities and the value of assets held. In addition to its own risks, the Company's SCR also includes the underlying risks of its subsidiaries, including its principal subsidiary ACI.

Interest rate risk arises primarily from the Company's fixed income securities and liabilities, which are exposed to fluctuations in interest rates. The Company seeks to match assets to liabilities and uses interest rate derivatives to meet its interest rate appetite.

Property price risk arises from the Company's investments in investment property and property investment vehicles. Property price risk is accepted by the Company, within appetite, to drive investment return as part of the Company's investment strategy.

Equity risk arises from the level or volatility of market prices for equities. Equity risk is accepted by the Company to drive investment returns as part of the Company's investment strategy, including the use of equity derivatives to mitigate risk where considered appropriate. The Company is also exposed to global market risks through its holdings in a unitised target return fund (Aviva Investors Multi Strategy Fund).

The Company is exposed to inflation risk where there is a mismatch between assets and liabilities that are sensitive to inflation. RPI elements of inflation risk are monitored and managed through asset-liability matching and hedging, where appropriate, in accordance with the agreed risk appetite.

The Company's material exposure to foreign currency risk arises primarily from: its investment in ACI; the business of its Irish branch; the growth of GCS business lines; and non-domestic currency denominated investments held to drive enhanced investment returns. The Company seeks to match non-sterling liabilities from its Ireland and international GCS business using a combination of non-sterling assets and currency derivatives to ensure liabilities in non-domestic currency can be settled as they fall due. The Company also seeks to mitigate the impact of foreign currency risk to its regulatory surplus (denominated in sterling) by using currency derivatives to hedge the contribution of ACI (denominated in Canadian Dollars) to its regulatory surplus. The Company also seeks to mitigate foreign currency risk on non-domestic denominated investments, where not matched to liabilities, by the use of currency derivatives.

The Company's overall market risk exposure has remained relatively stable during the reporting period. However, the Company's exposure to interest and inflation risk remains sensitive to the prevailing Ogden discount rate and associated assumptions about the number of future PPOs.

The Company's overall exposure to market risk is measured using the SCR. QRT S.25.02.21 (Appendix F.1.7) shows that the Company's undiversified SCR for market risk is £0.8bn (2017: £0.9bn). This includes credit risk in respect of the Company's bond holdings whose risk profile and management is described in section C.3. In addition to the SCR, a number of risk-specific metrics are used to monitor market risk at a granular level:

- Key interest rate, RPI, and currency related parameters; and
- Changes in the price level of individual assets or specific asset classes, for example property prices.

There has been no material change to the measures used to assess market risk during the reporting period.

C.2.2 Risk concentration

The Company monitors its investment exposures in aggregate across all classes of financial instruments (debt securities, equities, derivatives and other investments), to individual issuers, geographies, sectors, and asset classes.

The Company's largest foreign currency exposure is to the Canadian Dollar, via ACI, with CAD1.4bn notional currency forward derivatives in place to hedge the foreign exchange risk to the Company's Regulatory surplus position. The valuation of assets and liabilities are materially impacted by movements in market-implied interest rates and inflation, with those risks being managed within pre-defined risk appetites using a combination of asset-liability matching and derivatives.

C.2.3 Risk mitigation

The Company manages market risk within its market risk framework, within local regulatory constraints and in line with established Group policy, including minimum principles for matching liabilities with appropriate assets. As described in section C.2.1, the Company monitors exposures to market risks and uses derivatives to mitigate interest rate, inflation, foreign currency exchange rate and equity risks.

The Company only uses derivatives to reduce risks and facilitate efficient portfolio management. Risks arising from use of derivatives for hedging purposes include basis risk, which is the risk of an unexpected adverse financial impact arising because the exposure covered by a risk-mitigation technique, such as hedging using derivatives, does not correspond to the Company's risk exposure. The Company controls derivative basis risk by applying strict controls to its processes for their administration and valuation. The Company's control framework for derivative risk is consistent with market and industry practice.

In accordance with the requirements of its Financial Risk Mitigation Business Standard, the Company assesses and documents the effectiveness of arrangements to mitigate market risk. This assessment is initially undertaken prior to deciding whether or not to enter into an arrangement, and considers the impact of the proposed arrangement on key metrics including:

- Risk measures, including economic capital; and
- Financial measures, including cash flow, IFRS operating profit, liquidity and expenses.

If the initial assessment indicates that the impact on key metrics is material, further assessments are carried out at regular intervals throughout the duration of the arrangement. These assessments typically include stress testing and sensitivity analysis. Transactions to mitigate the same risk may be considered in aggregate (e.g. programmes to mitigate interest rate risk or foreign exchange risk).

The Company conducts on-going monitoring of the effectiveness of market risk mitigation techniques by reporting management information and analysis to the GIRCC, ALCO and the Board's Risk Committee. Investment performance analysis including actual returns against expected are also reported to the GIRCC and Board. Processes are also in place to monitor key economic data against pre-defined trigger points to enable appropriate oversight and actions to take place if economic conditions deteriorate, as set out in the Company's pre-prepared response plans.

C.2.4 Stress and scenario testing and sensitivity analysis

Descriptions of the methods used, assumptions made and outcomes of stress and scenario testing and sensitivity analysis are provided in section C.7.1.

C.3 Credit Risk

C.3.1 Exposure

The Company's exposure to credit risk arises from the risk that it will incur a financial loss from the default or failure of third parties to meet their payment obligations to the Company, or variations in market values as a result of changes in expectations related to these risks. In addition to its own risks, the Company's SCR also includes the underlying risks within its subsidiaries, including its principal subsidiary ACI.

The Company's approach to managing credit risk recognises that there is a risk of adverse financial impact resulting from fluctuations in credit quality of third parties including default, rating transition and credit spread movements. The Company's credit risks arise principally from exposures to debt securities, insurance debtors, reinsurance counterparties and other assets such as bank deposits and derivative and securities financing counterparties.

The Company's management of credit risk includes implementation of credit risk management processes (including limits frameworks), and detailed reporting and monitoring of exposures against pre-established risk criteria. The management of credit risk is overseen by the GIRCC and ALCO.

The principal basis used to measure the Company's exposure to counterparty risk is the SCR. QRT S.25.02.21 (Appendix F.1.7) shows that the Company's undiversified SCR for counterparty risk is £0.1bn (2017: £0.2bn). Counterparty risk relates to the risk associated with reinsurers and insurance debtors. The Company is additionally exposed to the credit risk associated with investment bond holdings included in the market risk SCR reported in the QRT as described in section C2.1. The following metrics are also used by the Company when measuring and assessing its credit risk exposure and to support risk management actions and investment decisions:

- Maximum exposure: credit exposure of the Company's financial assets to counterparties;
- External credit rating: available Moody, Standard & Poor and Fitch ratings;
- Market adjusted credit ratings: external credit ratings modified for the market price of the counterparty's credit default swap; and
- Internal credit ratings: determined for broker counterparties that are not externally rated, using methodologies broadly consistent with those used by external rating agencies.

There has been no material change to the measures used to assess credit risk during the reporting period and the Company's exposure to credit risk, including counterparty risk, has remained relatively stable throughout the year.

The overall credit quality of the Company's financial investments is strong. At 31 December 2018, investment grade debt securities (external credit rating AAA to BBB) comprised 100% (2017: 100%) of total debt securities, with 69.1% of rating AA or above (2017: 63.5%). Reinsurance assets with external credit ratings of AA to A comprised 97.0% (2017: 96.7%) of total reinsurance assets.

C.3.2 Risk concentration

The Company's credit limit framework restricts investment in individual issuers, geographies, sectors, and asset classes to ensure the Company is not exposed to significant concentrations of credit risk.

The Company's main concentration of external credit risk arises from holding UK government debt securities. At 31 December 2018 the Company held £1,024m (2017: £1,430m) of UK government debt, following a further reduction in the fixed interest portfolio and sovereign diversification (including US Treasuries). The Company's biggest industry sector exposure is to worldwide bank debt securities (£375m). The majority (96% (2017: 92%)) of the Company's holding of bank debt securities are covered bonds or senior debt rated A or above.

The Company's largest external reinsurance counterparty is Swiss Reinsurance Company Limited (including its affiliated companies). At 31 December 2018, the reinsurance asset recoverable is £719m (2017: £764m). This exposure is reduced by collateral comprising a portfolio of highly rated assets amounting to £206m (2017: £206m).

The Company's largest intra-group reinsurance counterparty is AIL. At 31 December 2018, the reinsurance asset recoverable from AIL (excluding unearned premium reserve) is £2,181m (2017: £2,346m). Credit risk is mitigated by a funds withheld arrangement, whereby the Company holds a balance equal to the higher of IFRS or SII technical provisions of the reinsured business.

The Company has a loan facility agreement with AGH, the Company's immediate parent. During the year, the loan balance has been reduced by £50m to £1,319m at 31 December 2018 (2017: £1,369m). This reduction reflects the 2018 annual loan repayment of £50 million. The loan is secured on a range of Group undertakings. The range of undertakings was simplified during 2017 as part of a revision of the loan agreement, which has had no material impact on the level of the excess of collateral over the value of the loan. The loan has a final maturity date of December 2042.

The Company has an inwards adverse reserve deterioration agreement with its subsidiary undertaking, Ocean Marine. This agreement provides Ocean Marine with an extra £1bn of reinsurance cover to protect against circumstances in which its reinsurance agreement with National Indemnity Company (NIC) is exhausted or otherwise fails to satisfy claims. Ocean Marine's reinsurance agreement with NIC provides substantial protection in excess of its current gross insurance liabilities.

The Company has an agreement with UKLAP, a fellow Group company, for the outwards reinsurance of its obligations in respect of PPOs. At 31 December 2018, the reinsurance asset recoverable from UKLAP is £490m (2017: £556m). The credit risk exposure is mitigated by a funds withheld arrangement. The Company retains legal title of the assets backing the reinsured liabilities whilst UKLAP retains beneficial ownership. The funds withheld are maintained quarterly to match the reinsurance asset.

The Company has a subordinated unsecured loan agreement with ACI. The loan, with a carrying balance of CAD350m (2017: CAD350m), has a final maturity date of March 2045. In the event that ACI's minimum regulatory capital requirement falls below certain local trigger levels, ACI may redeem the loan in exchange for issuing equity whose aggregate value is equal to the principal amount outstanding on the loan.

The Company also has a subordinated unsecured loan from AGH of CAD480m (2017: CAD480m). It used the proceeds to provide a subordinated unsecured loan to ACI of CAD480m; both agreements have a final maturity date of 2046.

The Company has entered into stock lending arrangements during the year in accordance with established market conventions, with the carrying amount of financial assets pledged for stock lending at 31 December 2018 of £768m (2017: £930m). The credit risk associated with the Company's securities financing operations is mitigated by over-collateralisation. The carrying amount of financial assets collateral received in this manner at 31 December 2018 was £821m (2017: £987m).

C.3.3 Risk mitigation

Risk mitigation techniques are used where and when deemed appropriate. These are utilised, where possible, to remove residual unwanted risks, as well as to bring or keep exposure limits within appetite, and include methods such as collateralisation and funds withheld arrangements.

As described in section C3.1 and C.3.2, the Company has in place a credit control framework to manage credit risk, and uses techniques including collateralisation and funds withheld arrangements to mitigate unwanted credit risk.

In accordance with the requirements of the Group Financial Risk Mitigation Business Standard the Company assesses and documents the effectiveness of arrangements to mitigate credit risk. On-going monitoring is carried out by reporting management information to the GIRCC and ALCO and the Board's Risk Committee, against pre-defined trigger points, to enable appropriate oversight and to prompt action if effectiveness deteriorates, as set out in the Company's pre-prepared response plans.

C.3.4 Stress and scenario testing and sensitivity analysis

Descriptions of the methods used, assumptions made and outcomes of stress and scenario testing and sensitivity analysis are provided in section C.7.1.

C.4 Liquidity Risk

C.4.1 Exposure

The Company's exposure to liquidity risk arises from the risk that its liabilities cannot be settled, in a timely and cost-effective manner, as they fall due because of insufficient liquid assets. Liquidity risk may arise from uncertainty of the value and timing of liabilities or the ability to realise assets to produce cash to meet obligations. The Company assesses liquidity risk under a range of scenarios and various levels of liquidity stress. Sources of liquidity risk include:

- Insurance underwriting e.g. catastrophe claims arising from adverse weather events;
- Variances of actual operational cash flow from shorter-term forecasts; and
- Other cash flow volatility e.g. derivative and collateral calls arising from the Company's risk mitigation activities.

The principal bases used to measure and assess the Company's exposure to liquidity risk are liquidity coverage ratios, absolute liquidity coverage relative to pre-defined liquidity risk appetites and the quantum of certain liquid assets. Liquidity coverage ratios measure the extent to which available liquidity is sufficient to meet expected liquidity requirements following an extreme liquidity-specific stress event over short-term and long-term stress scenarios. Liquidity is also monitored in the event of a stressed run-off of the Company's liabilities following closure to new business and managed within the Company's Stressed Run-Off Liquidity (STROL) risk appetite.

There has been no material change to the measures used to assess liquidity risk during the reporting period.

The Company's liquidity profile was maintained within appetite on both absolute and stressed liquidity coverage ratio bases, over going concern short-term and long-term scenarios, and under stressed run-off basis throughout the year, and overall there was no material movement in the Company's liquidity position against its risk appetite.

C.4.2 Risk concentration

The credit limit framework described in section C.3.2 above also avoids concentrations of liquidity risk by preventing investment in a restricted number of issuers, asset classes and sectors. The Company has set its investment strategy to ensure it has sufficient liquid funds to meet its expected obligations as they fall due. The diversity of sources of liquidity available to the Company averts concentration of liquidity risk.

C.4.3 Risk mitigation

The Company manages its liquidity risk by considering the liquidity impact before accepting new risks and managing its existing liquidity profile by:

- Daily monitoring of projected short-term cash flow needs;
- Setting an investment strategy which reflects liquidity requirements and the potential liquidity profile of liabilities;
- Setting liquidity risk appetites which require that sufficient liquid resources be maintained to cover net outflows in a stress scenario over a range of timeframes;
- Defining trigger levels that enable action to be taken before those levels are breached; and
- Maintaining a Capital and Liquidity Management Action Plan (CLMAP) which detail management actions to address liquidity funding requirements in a significant stress scenario.

The Company monitors the effectiveness of liquidity risk mitigation techniques as follows:

- The internal controls, that enable effective liquidity risk management, are subject to assurance testing to ensure they operate effectively; and
- Actual and projected liquid resources, cash inflows and outflows, as well as maturity analyses on insurance liabilities and financial assets, in both normal and stressed scenarios, are regularly reported to and monitored by the GIRCC and ALCO and the Board's Risk Committee, against pre-defined trigger points to enable appropriate oversight and identify any appropriate actions.

C.4.4 Expected Profit Included in Future Premium (EPIFP)

The amount of EPIFP, calculated in accordance with Article 1 of the SII Regulations and included within the valuation of the Company's Technical Provisions as at 31 December 2018, is immaterial. (See the Own Funds QRT S.23.01.01, Appendix F.1.6).

C.4.5 Stress and scenario testing and sensitivity analysis

Descriptions of the methods used, assumptions made and outcomes of stress and scenario testing and sensitivity analysis are provided in section C.7.1.

C.5. Operational Risk

C.5.1 Exposure

The Company's exposure to operational risk arises, in the UK, Ireland and Canada, from the risk of direct or indirect loss, caused by inadequate or failed internal processes, people and systems, or external events including changes in the regulatory environment. The Company has a limited appetite for operational risk and aims to reduce these risks as far as commercially sensible.

Conduct risk, an element of operational risk, is where the Company does not achieve positive or fair customer outcomes. Management of conduct risk was a key priority for the Company across the whole lifecycle of its products, and throughout the end to end journey of its customers in 2018, with robust governance and metrics embedded across the organisation.

The Company also seeks to manage its exposure to reputational risk, which is the risk of loss to the Company's franchise value from damage caused to the Company's brands or reputation. Examples of factors, regardless of whether authenticated or not, which could damage the Company's brands or reputation include litigation, employee misconduct, operational failures, the outcome of regulatory investigations, media speculation and negative publicity, disclosure of confidential client information or inadequate services.

The Company's strategy of digital customer interaction, its use of advanced data analytics and the increasing cyber security threat, together with regulators' attention to conduct issues, has increased its inherent exposure to risks such as data theft, conduct breaches and customer service interruption arising from IT systems failure, and these risks are expected to continue to increase into the future. However, the Company has sought to contain and reduce exposure to these risks through on-going investment in programmes to improve IT security and resilience, disaster recovery, data governance and outsourcing. The Company has an Operational Risk and Control Management Framework, which integrates the results of the risk identification and assurance activities carried out across the Company's three lines of defence.

Operational risks are initially identified and assessed against implemented controls. Residual risk, outside tolerance, is given prioritised management action to reduce it within tolerance. Operational risk is quantitatively assessed on the basis of financial loss and misstatement. Potential reputational and conduct impacts are qualitatively assessed. There has been no material change to the measures used to assess operational risk during the reporting period.

The Company holds economic capital, based on the SII SCR, against residual operational risk, to the extent that it cannot be eliminated by management action. QRT S.25.02.21 (Appendix F.1.7) shows that the Company's undiversified SCR for operational risk is £0.4bn (2017: £0.4bn). The Company also produces specific conduct risk management information used to measure and analyse its exposure to conduct risk.

C.5.2 Risk concentration

The Company's scale and business model as a multi-business line, multi-geography and multi-channel business, creates diversification of risks and generally helps to reduce concentrations of risks particularly when risks across the Company and its subsidiaries are aggregated. The Company also works with a wide range of outsourcers to support delivery of its services and products. Further information is provided in section B.7.

The Company's operations are spread across a number of office locations that are geographically well spread, which would help ensure continuity of service in the event of catastrophe.

The majority of the Company's products are sold under the 'Aviva' brand, enabling leverage on the strength of the brand and supporting delivery of the Company's business strategy. The Company is therefore vulnerable to any operational failures that adversely impact public perception of the 'Aviva' brand.

C.5.3 Risk mitigation

Operational risks are considered by the Company to be preventable and are managed through business controls. The Company's operational risk strategy is to improve its business processes to:

- Reduce operational risk and associated losses, thereby improving cost to income ratio and variability in financial performance;
- Improve customer outcomes and employee satisfaction; and
- Sustain customer confidence and a positive regulatory reputation.

The Company's business standards set out the minimum control objectives and controls that each business area is required to operate. Operational risk tolerances are quantitative boundaries that constrain specific risk-taking activities at an operational level.

The Company records and analyses operational risk events to ensure remedial action is taken, lessons are learnt and, if the event impacts customers, they are treated fairly. This includes risk events that do not give rise to a financial loss, such as near misses or fortuitous gains. This assessment enables the Company to highlight areas for improvement, implement corrective actions to avoid recurrence, and improve its understanding of operational risk.

The Company has identified business critical functions and has exit and termination plans and business continuity and disaster recovery plans in the event of supplier failure. These plans are reviewed at least annually.

The Company's three lines of defence all monitor the effectiveness of the controls that are in place against operational risk. Further details of the three lines of defence are included in section B.1.1, including the specific roles and responsibilities of each line. Operational risk is overseen by the Operational Risk Committee, which is a senior management committee, and the Board's Risk, Conduct and Audit Committees.

C.5.4 Stress and scenario testing and sensitivity analysis

Descriptions of the methods used, assumptions made and outcomes of stress and scenario testing and sensitivity analysis are provided in section C.7.1.

C.6 Other Material Risks

The Company has no material information to disclose regarding other material risks.

C.7 Any Other Information

C.7.1 Stress and scenario testing and sensitivity analysis

Stress and Scenario Testing (SST) is a fundamental element of the Company's Risk Management Framework which is embedded within the Company's decision-making, strategy and planning activities. SST provides insight into key risk exposures and dependencies of the Company; considering resilience of potential changes to these exposures and dependencies; and anticipating a range of possible outcomes. The evaluation of the potential impacts on the Company's capital and liquidity positions enables the Company to identify and prepare for appropriate ways to mitigate and manage the realisation of such impacts.

There are two main components of SST: (1) sensitivity analyses which consider single factor standalone impacts at a point in time to changes in economic and non-economic assumptions; and (2) scenario analyses which consider impacts from specific potential events.

The Company's stress and scenario methodology is based on the following stages:

- Identify existing and emerging risks;
- Measure resilience to stress events and scenarios;
- Monitor the impact of the potential stress events and scenarios on actual and projected capital and liquidity positions;
- Manage the potential stress events and scenarios by setting risk appetites and defining management actions; and
- Report, as required, to the GIRCC, the ALCO, the Board's Risk Committee, the Board and the PRA.

C.7.1.1 Stress and scenario testing

At least annually, a broad range of Company risk specific stress and scenario tests are defined in consultation with key stakeholders to assess the impact of a range of potential events of differing levels of severity on the capital and liquidity positions of the Company. The stress and scenario tests performed by the Company, during 2018, included adverse economic conditions, catastrophic events, reserve deterioration, counterparty default, operational failings and Regulator defined tests.

A range of assumptions are made in the development of potential events and the measurement of resilience to such events. These assumptions are defined by suitable experts and, where applicable, by the Regulators.

The outcome of the Company's 2018 SST serves to illustrate that the Company is resilient to a wide range of potential events and that the Company has a range of plausible management actions that could be executed in a timely manner, to mitigate the potential impacts from Company-specific or market-wide events.

C.7.1.2 Sensitivity analysis

Management use sensitivity analyses to assess a range of single factor standalone impacts of differing levels of severity on the capital and liquidity positions of the Company and to ensure that the Company has a sufficient range of plausible management actions that could be executed in a timely manner to mitigate the potential impacts.

The SCR is the primary basis used by the Company to measure and assess its risks. The sensitivity analysis performed by the Company includes consideration of the sensitivity of its SCR cover ratio, determined according to the SII Regulations, to a range of economic assumptions.

The table below shows the absolute change in cover ratio, for each sensitivity, e.g. a 3% positive impact would result in an increase in the cover ratio by 3%. The sensitivities apply to the Company's SCR which includes its underlying exposure to ACI.

Sensitivity to assumptions	Impact on SCR cover ratio
<u>Economic assumptions</u>	
100bps increase in GBP interest rates	10%
50bps decrease in GBP interest rates	(5%)
50bps increase in corporate bond spreads	(1%)
50bps decrease in corporate bond spreads	1%
50bps increase in sovereign bond spreads	(5%)
50bps decrease in sovereign bond spreads	5%
100bps increase in GBP inflation rate	(9%)
100bps decrease in GBP inflation rate	4%
25% decrease in property values	(6%)
25% decrease in equity prices	(5%)
<u>Non-economic assumptions</u>	
10% increase in maintenance and investment expenses	(6%)
5% increase in gross loss ratios	(13%)

Limitations of the sensitivity analyses

The table above demonstrates the effect of a change in a key assumption while other assumptions remain unchanged whereas in reality, sensitivities are dynamic in nature as they will vary in quantum due to interactions with other risks and changes in values of those risks.

Other limitations in the sensitivity analyses include:

- The economic assumptions are hypothetical market movements selected to represent the Company's view of possible near-term market changes but which cannot be predicted with certainty;
- The sensitivities are non-linear, and larger or smaller impacts cannot be interpolated or extrapolated from the outcome; and
- The sensitivities assume that all interest and inflation rates move at the same rate at all durations.

C.7.2 Prudent Person Principle

The Company ensures that its assets are invested in accordance with the Prudent Person Principle as set out in Article 132 (Directive 2009/138/EC) through the collective application of its risk policies and business standards. These ensure that the Company invests in assets whose risks it can properly identify, measure, monitor, manage, control and report, and appropriately take into account in the assessment of its overall solvency needs having regard to the term and nature of its liabilities. The Company's Asset Liability Management Business Standard and certain provisions of the Investment Management Business Standard contain mandatory requirements to ensure that the Company develops its own set of key risk indicators and takes into account the risks associated with its investments without relying only on the risk being adequately captured by the capital requirements. Risk appetites by risk type are also set and monitored by the Company. Other business standards set requirements for the quality of investment assets (including setting risk limits to control the market and credit risk within a portfolio), matching of assets to liabilities, diversification of invested assets and use of derivatives.

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D. Valuation for Solvency Purposes

The 'Valuation for Solvency Purposes' section of the report provides a description of the bases, methods and main assumptions used in the valuation of assets, technical provisions and other liabilities for each material asset and liability class.

The Company's IFRS balance sheet is presented in column (b) of the following table, in accordance with the classification of assets and liabilities used in its financial statements. The captions used in the table are from the balance sheet QRT S.02.01, rather than the financial statements. The references given in column (a) are to relevant accounting policies and notes provided in the financial statements.

A number of reclassifications, required to align the Company's IFRS balance sheet as shown in its financial statements, to the classifications required for the prescribed format of the SII balance sheet QRT, are given in column (c). The most significant reclassifications are:

- Under the SII Regulations cash flows relating to reinsurance premiums are included within Reinsurance Recoverables, and cash flows relating to premiums and policyholder tax are included within Technical Provisions. In the IFRS balance sheet these amounts are included within reinsurance payables, insurance and intermediaries receivables and other liabilities respectively.
- Loans and amounts receivable from, and payable to, Group companies under IFRS, are reclassified within the SII balance sheet to the relevant underlying nature of the balance. Material amounts have been reclassified as Loans and Deposits from reinsurers.
- Investments, including cash equivalents, are reclassified under SII. They also include accrued investment income which is classified within prepayments and accrued income under IFRS.

The Company's assets and liabilities, as valued under IFRS and reclassified in line with SII Regulations, are shown in column (d). The Company's SII balance sheet is summarised in column (e) and detailed in the balance sheet QRT S.02.01 included in Appendix F.1.1. Differences between the valuation of the Company's assets and liabilities under SII and IFRS are presented in column (f).

Where the valuation of assets and liabilities is the same under IFRS and SII, a description of the bases, methods and main assumptions can be found in the accounting policies and notes of the Company's financial statements. If the valuation is materially different, a description of the bases, methods and main assumptions used under SII is given in Sections D.1, D.2.1 and D.3 below. Where alternative methods of valuation have been used these are detailed in Section D.4.

Assets and other liabilities have been valued, according to the requirements of the SII Regulations, at the amount for which they could be exchanged between knowledgeable willing parties in an arm's length transaction. The value of other liabilities is not adjusted to take account of the impact of changes in own credit standing of the Company.

The Company applied the following hierarchy of valuation approaches:

1. Quoted market prices in active markets for the same assets or liabilities;
2. Quoted market prices in active markets for similar assets and liabilities (with adjustments to reflect differences where necessary);
3. Alternative methods of valuation.

The Company considers markets to be active where transactions take place with sufficient frequency and volume for pricing information to be available on an ongoing basis. Where the Company has concluded that markets are not active, alternative methods for valuation are used. The assets classified as Level 1 and Level 2 under IFRS 13, are deemed as market consistent under SII. The assets classified as Level 3, for which there is no active market, are considered to use alternative valuation methods under SII.

In line with SII Regulations, the value of the Company's investment in its principal subsidiary, ACI, is included within participations in both the SII and IFRS balance sheets. The investment is not disaggregated into ACI's underlying assets, Technical Provisions and other liabilities. However, when considering the Company's risks and calculating the Company's SCR (unaudited) the underlying risks of ACI and the Company's other subsidiaries are taken into account.

Balance Sheet – IFRS and SII

As at 31 December 2018 £m	Note in financial statements	IFRS balance sheet classified according to financial statements	Reclassification of IFRS balances to SII balance sheet categories	Reclassified IFRS balance sheet	SII balance sheet	Valuation differences between SII and IFRS
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d) =(b)+(c)	(e)	(f) =(e)-(d)
Goodwill	M & 10	99	-	99	-	(99)
Deferred acquisition costs	Y & 18	546	-	546	-	(546)
Prepayments and accrued income	18	149	(149)	-	-	-
Intangible assets	M & 10	152	21	173	-	(173)
Deferred tax assets	CC & 24	99	-	99	77	(22)
Property, plant and equipment (own use)	N & 12	24	-	24	24	-
Property (other than own use)	O & 13	380	-	380	380	-
Participations	C&D &11	1,429	-	1,429	1,126	(303)
Financial investments						
Equities	R & 16	634	(623)	11	11	-
Bonds	R & 16	2,488	25	2,513	2,513	-
Collective investment undertakings	R & 16	702	1,102	1,804	1,804	-
Derivatives	V & 16	82	7	89	89	-
Deposits other than cash equivalents	R & 16	-	21	21	21	-
Loans		-	1,838	1,838	1,838	-
Reinsurance recoverables	L & 23	4,924	(59)	4,865	4,140	(725)
Receivables						
Insurance and intermediaries	S & 17	1,460	(1,458)	2	2	-
Reinsurance	S & 17	50	6	56	56	-
Trade, not insurance	S & 17	121	314	435	435	-
Amounts due from Group companies	S & 17	264	(264)	-	-	-
Loans due from Group companies	S & 17	1,796	(1,796)	-	-	-
Group relief assets	S & 17	189	(189)	-	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents	Z	571	(501)	70	70	-
Other assets			68	68	68	-
Assets		16,159	(1,637)	14,522	12,654	(1,868)
Technical provisions	K & 22	(8,298)	1,450	(6,848)	(5,987)	861
Other provisions	BB & 25	(15)	-	(15)	(15)	-
Deferred tax liabilities	CC & 24	-	-	-	(15)	(15)
Payables and other financial liabilities						
Deposits from reinsurers	T & 27	-	(3,165)	(3,165)	(3,165)	-
Derivatives	V & 27	(151)	17	(134)	(134)	-
Debts owed to credit institutions	T & 27	(299)	-	(299)	(299)	-
Financial liabilities other than debts owed to credit institutions	T & 27	(8)	(1)	(9)	(9)	-
Insurance and intermediaries payable	T & 27	(72)	(22)	(94)	(94)	-
Reinsurance payables	T & 27	(94)	91	(3)	(3)	-
Payables (trade, not insurance)	T & 27	-	(280)	(280)	(280)	-
Other payables	T & 27	(12)	12	-	-	-
Amounts due to Group companies	T & 27	(3,373)	3,373	-	-	-
Loans due to Group companies	T & 27	(276)	276	-	-	-
Subordinated liabilities		-	(276)	(276)	(276)	-
Current tax liabilities	CC & 24	(18)	18	-	-	-
Other liabilities	28	(765)	144	(621)	(305)	316
Liabilities		(13,381)	1,637	(11,744)	(10,582)	1,162
Excess of assets over liabilities		2,778	-	2,778	2,072	(706)

Accounting Policy F – ‘Fair value measurement’ and Note 14 – ‘Fair value methodology’ in the Company’s financial statements, provide additional information on the fair value of property (other than for own use), financial investments and receivables.

D.1 Assets

Assets have been valued according to the requirements of the SII Directive and related guidance; the basis of the SII valuation principle is the amount for which they could be exchanged between knowledgeable willing parties in an arm's length transaction. A description of the basis of valuation under SII along with valuation differences between the SII bases and the IFRS financial statements, by asset class, is provided below; if the valuation method has been described in the financial statements or is an alternative method of valuation detailed in Section D.4, it has not been included in this section.

D.1.1 Goodwill and intangible assets

Goodwill and intangible assets are valued at £nil under SII. The goodwill recognised in the IFRS balance sheet represents the excess of the cost of an acquisition over the fair value of the share of the net assets of the acquired entity at the date of acquisition. The intangible assets primarily consist of internally developed IT systems.

D.1.2 Deferred acquisition costs

Deferred acquisition costs are recognised under IFRS reporting and deferred to the extent they are expected to be recoverable out of future margins in revenues on those contracts. Under SII these are not recognised and are therefore valued at £nil in the SII balance sheet. The associated cash flows are included in the valuation of SII Technical Provisions.

D.1.3 Deferred tax assets and liabilities

Deferred tax is determined on a non-discounted basis in accordance with International Accounting Standard (IAS) 12, principles on temporary differences between the economic value of assets or liabilities on the SII balance sheet and their tax base.

Assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which they can be utilised. Future taxable profits include taxable liabilities and profits arising from new business. The release of the Risk Margin (unaudited) is not considered to be a source of future profits. Assets are recognised separately to the extent they cannot be offset against corresponding deferred tax liabilities.

The net deferred tax asset arises wholly on unused trading losses. In addition, the Company has unrecognised gross tax losses (excluding capital losses) and other temporary differences of £275m (2017: £450m) to carry forward against future taxable profits. These trading losses and temporary differences have no expiry date.

The Company also has unrecognised capital losses of £223m (2017: £221m). These have no expiry date.

The reduction in value of deferred tax assets of £22m under SII compared to IFRS arises because deferred tax asset recognition for SII purposes is subject to the more prudent requirements of PRA Supervisory Statement 2/14 compared to the principles of IAS 12 which govern recognition in the financial statements.

A deferred tax liability arises on unremitted earnings from overseas subsidiaries.

D.1.4 Property (other than own use)

Investment property held for long-term rental yields and not occupied by the Company is stated at its fair value under IFRS. There is no difference between IFRS and SII valuation basis. Further detail is provided in section D.4.

D.1.5 Participations

Under SII participations are valued, using the adjusted equity method, at the Company's share of the excess of assets over liabilities of each entity, valued on a look through basis to the SII value of the assets and liabilities of the entity. Further detail is provided in section D.4.

Under IFRS, subsidiaries are stated at cost less impairment.

The reduction in value of participations under SII mainly relates to the Company's investment in its principal subsidiary, ACI.

D.1.6 Financial investments

All financial investments, primarily consisting of debt securities, equity securities and unit trusts, are measured at fair value for both SII and IFRS purposes. Fair value is obtained from quoted market prices or, if these are not available, by using relevant valuation techniques. Further information on financial investments valued using an alternative method to either a quoted market price or a quoted market price for a similar asset is included in section D.4.

Listed equity securities, bonds and exchange traded derivatives in the IFRS financial statements are fair valued using quoted market prices. This methodology is consistent with SII. Unlisted equities are fair valued using a range of techniques details which are outlined in section D.4.

Collective investment undertakings are carried at fair value using quoted unit prices which is consistent with SII. The SII valuation of deposits other than cash equivalents is in line with the IFRS treatment.

D.1.7 Reinsurance recoverables

Reinsurance recoverables are calculated as the probability-weighted average of discounted future cash flows relating to reinsurance contracts, adjusted for the expected losses due to counterparty default. Although established separately, reinsurance recoverables are valued on the same basis and using the same methodology and assumptions used to derive Technical Provisions - Best Estimate Liabilities, as described in Section D.2, subject to the following:

- Internal expenses are only allowed if they are recoverable under the reinsurance agreement;
- Where the timing of recoveries diverges from that for payments a separate projection is used;
- Allowance for risk of default depends on the credit rating and exposure to the reinsurance counterparty; and
- Reinsurance assets take into account reinsurance commissions.

Reinsurance recoverables, consistent with the calculation of Technical Provisions - Best Estimate Liabilities, includes expected recoveries from pre-inception contracts where they occur within the premium or claims provisions.

Cash flows relating to future reinsurance arrangements comprise both expected recoveries and expected reinsurance premium payments. This means reinsurance contracts which are expected to be written are taken into account and thus assumptions in relation to the likely future reinsurance purchasing decisions are required.

The material differences between the SII and IFRS valuation bases for reinsurance recoveries are as follows:

- Only reinsurance cash flows relating to long tailed claims reserves are discounted under IFRS whereas all reinsurance cash flows are discounted under SII.
- The rate used to discount PPO cash flows is lower under SII than the equivalent rate used under IFRS.
- The unearned reinsurance premium reserve established under IFRS is replaced with a best estimate reinsurance premium provision. This is offset by the release of deferred reinsurance commissions from other liabilities (see section D.3.2).
- The SII valuation includes the additional reinsurance premium that is expected to be paid for reinsurance to cover business incepted at the valuation date. This is not accounted for under IFRS.

The Company does not have any Special Purpose Vehicles.

D.1.8 Assets arising from leasing arrangements

Future contractual aggregate minimum lease rentals receivable for investment properties leased to third parties under non-cancellable operating leases as at 31 December 2018 are £315m. Further detail is provided in note 30 to the financial statements.

D.1.9 Changes made to recognition and valuation bases and estimations during the reporting period

The Company has changed its accounting policy relating to the recognition of investments in subsidiaries and associates in its IFRS financial statements. In prior periods subsidiaries were stated at fair value. Investments in subsidiaries and associates are now stated at cost less impairment. This provides relevant and more reliable information as the critical accounting assumptions and judgements involved in calculating a fair value are no longer required. This has no impact on the SII valuation basis detailed in section D.1.5.

No other material changes were made to the bases used to recognise and value assets, or to their estimations, during the reporting period.

D.2 Technical Provisions

This section provides a definition of SII Technical Provisions, the methodology and main assumptions used in the valuation of the SII Technical Provisions, the total value of SII Technical Provisions split by material lines of business, a comparison of the valuation of SII Technical Provisions with IFRS Technical Provisions and a description of the level of uncertainty in Technical Provisions.

D.2.1 Valuation of Technical Provisions

Technical provisions which comprise Best Estimate Liabilities and a Risk Margin (unaudited) are summarised in the table below. Best estimate liabilities are gross of reinsurance. The figures are also detailed in the QRT S.17.01 (Non-life Technical Provisions) and S.12.01 (Life Technical Provisions), see Appendix F.1.3.

Whilst the Company only conducts non-life and health (similar to non-life) insurance activities, it has material life insurance obligations in the UK in relation to annuities stemming from non-life insurance contracts (PPO). PPO are classified as Technical Provisions - Life (excluding health and index-linked and unit-linked), within the prescribed format of the SII Balance Sheet.

As at 31 December 2018 £m	Best Estimate	Risk Margin (unaudited)	Technical Provisions
Line of Business			
Motor vehicle liability	2,363	73	2,436
Other motor insurance	175	4	179
Fire and property damage	526	17	543
General liability insurance	1,871	74	1,945
Other	125	1	126
Non-life insurance obligations	5,060	169	5,229
Health (similar to non-life) insurance obligations	89	3	92
PPOs other than health insurance	613	53	666
Life insurance obligations	613	53	666
Total	5,762	225	5,987

D.2.1.1 Non-life and health (similar to non-life) Best Estimate Liabilities

The following general principles apply to the valuation of Best Estimate Liabilities for non-life and health (similar to non-life) business:

- A Best Estimate is one that represents the expected outcome from the range of possible outcomes for the future and is reasonable and realistic taking account of all the uncertainties involved;
- A consistent approach has been applied across all non-life and health (similar to non-life) business;
- The calculation of Technical Provisions is performed on a going concern basis. This means that it can be assumed that contracts run to their conclusion and as a result a proportion of expected future costs will be covered by future business; and
- Business written by intermediaries on a delegated authority basis has been included as if written directly by the Company.

The Company's Best Estimate Liabilities are valued based on the present value of future cash flows discounted using relevant risk-free interest rates adjusted for the EIOPA prescribed credit risk adjustment and Volatility Adjustment (see section D.2.4) at the valuation date. The cash flows that are considered when calculating the Best Estimate Liabilities derive from:

- In-force and expired contracts;
- Contracts that have not yet inception but that the Company has an obligation to enter into at the valuation date (pre-inception contracts); and
- Future cancellations or endorsements by the policyholder.

Best Estimate Liabilities comprise a claims provision and a premium provision. The claims provision includes cash flows relating to events that occurred before the valuation date, whether reported or not. The cash flows include premiums, net claims costs and expenses. The premium provision includes cash flows relating to future claim events that have not yet occurred, but that are covered by existing contracts and legally binding pre-inception contracts. The cash flows include premiums, net claims and expenses, in respect of future claim events. Where future premium cash flows are expected to exceed projected future claim and expense cash flows, the premium provision is negative.

When modelling these cash flows the inflows are considered separately from the outflows. Claims costs take into account recoveries from salvage and subrogation. Expenses include administrative, investment management, loss adjustment and acquisition expenses including commissions and premium taxes.

Claims costs

The ultimate cost of outstanding claims is estimated using a range of standard actuarial claims projection techniques. The main assumption underlying these techniques is that the Company's past claims experience can be used as a basis to project future claims. Therefore, these methods extrapolate the development of paid and incurred losses, average costs per claim and claim numbers based on the observed development of earlier years. The estimation of ultimate claims costs is done at the level of homogeneous risk groups. These groups are mapped to SII lines of business.

Certain lines of business are also further analysed by claim type or type of coverage. For example, latent claims require specialist actuarial techniques appropriate for the nature of the underlying liabilities. Given the long delay between writing the insurance policy and the claim arising, the techniques used for latent claims typically group claims data by the year claims are reported and project the future number and average cost of claims for homogeneous latent claim types based on a combination of own Company experience and industry-wide data. The Company participates on cross-industry working groups to help inform some of the projection assumptions for latent claims.

Qualitative judgement is used to reflect changes in external factors such as public attitudes to claiming, economic conditions, levels of claims inflation, judicial decisions and legislation, as well as internal factors such as portfolio mix, policy conditions and claims handling procedures.

Premium provisions

Premium provisions are estimated by selecting an exposure measure and using that to establish the unearned and pre-inception exposure. Claims cost projections are set for each future period using trends in historic claims data adjusted for known anomalies in the data that are not expected to be repeated in the future, changes in mix and volume of business and to allow for the impact of projected claims inflation. These cost projections are then applied to the predicted exposure to determine the cash flows.

Expenses

Expenses are adjusted for expense and claims inflation and allocated between the claims and premium provisions. They are analysed by homogeneous risk group or at a minimum by SII line of business. Future administrative costs and commission payments are projected using best estimate expense forecasts. Investment expenses are modelled as a percentage of Technical Provisions. Future unallocated loss adjustment expense provisions are set in relation to expected claims levels.

Events Not in Data (ENID)

ENID are events not deemed to be captured by the data which need to be separately allowed for within the best estimate calculations to take appropriate account of uncertainty. Two types of ENID are considered: "known unknowns", which are possible future scenarios that can be anticipated and "unknown unknowns", which are future scenarios that are completely unexpected. No allowance is made for "unknown unknowns" as by definition, they cannot be known or quantified.

Allowances for "known unknowns" are made using scenario analysis to cover any foreseeable event with a potentially material impact. A core list of events is specified which are considered as the starting point for the analysis. ENID are considered both at SII lines of business level, and at portfolio level with allocations to SII lines of business, depending on the scenario being considered.

Discounting

All cash flows are discounted using the appropriate SII yield curve in the relevant currency. The yield curve is based on the risk free rate at the valuation date and is adjusted for the EIOPA prescribed credit risk adjustment and Volatility Adjustment. Payments are assumed to occur either mid-month or mid-year. Cash flows are modelled in monthly time intervals for the first 10 years and annually thereafter.

Future management actions

There are no future management actions assumed in the calculation of the Company's gross of reinsurance Best Estimate Liabilities as at 31 December 2018.

D.2.1.2 PPO Best Estimate Liabilities

The Company's Best Estimate Liabilities for PPO, in common with non-life business, are valued based on the present value of future cash flows discounted using the relevant risk-free interest rate adjusted for the EIOPA prescribed credit risk adjustment and Volatility Adjustment at the valuation date. The cash flows that are considered when calculating the Best Estimate Liabilities for PPO derive from:

- Payment of claims benefits: with the majority of PPO providing payments relating to care needs of the claimant, with a smaller number providing loss of earnings payments; and
- Expenses: these are relatively small (compared to the size of claims benefits) administrative costs in relation to each PPO.

PPO Best Estimate Liabilities use life insurance actuarial methods and techniques to estimate appropriate assumptions for each individual claimant.

Discounting

PPO cash flows are discounted using the appropriate SII yield curve adjusted for the EIOPA prescribed credit risk adjustment and Volatility Adjustment. The methods are consistent with those applied to non-life cash flows.

Longevity assumptions

Assumptions are made in relation to future longevity. These assumptions are based on the latest general mortality assumptions for the population as a whole (including future expected changes in mortality), as well as any impairment to life expectancy on individual PPO based on independent medical opinions.

Inflation assumptions

PPO payments escalate based on indices specified at the time of settlement of the PPO. The majority of PPO claims escalate based on an Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings index (ASHE) with a smaller number escalating in line with the RPI. Assumptions are therefore required for the future escalation of these indices. The Company assumes that, over the longer term, the future escalation of the ASHE indices will be linked to RPI within the UK economy and uses market consistent views of future RPI inflation as the basis to project future ASHE inflation. Adjustments are then made to allow for any expected differences between future ASHE inflation and future RPI inflation.

D.2.1.3 Risk Margin (unaudited)

The Risk Margin is an estimate of the amount, in addition to the Best Estimate Liability, that a third party would expect to receive in order to assume ownership of the Company's insurance obligations. The Risk Margin is calculated using a cost of capital approach allowing for diversification between lines of business and is on a net-of-reinsurance basis. The calculation of the Risk Margin is defined as the present value of the cost of capital applied to the SCR (unaudited) in respect of non-hedgeable risks in each future year.

The cost of capital rate is the cost in excess of the risk-free rate, to the third party taking over the liabilities, of raising and holding capital to support the non-hedgeable risks over the lifetime of the business. The same cost of capital rate is used for all insurance companies and is prescribed by EIOPA at 6% per annum.

Discount rate

The rate used to discount the projected non-hedgeable SCR (unaudited) is the basic risk-free rate (including credit risk adjustment), with no allowance for volatility or matching adjustments, where applicable.

Non-hedgeable risk

The SCR (unaudited) in the Risk Margin calculation takes the following risks into account:

- Underwriting risks (non-life, health and life);
- Non hedgeable market risk (except interest rate risk), where it is material;
- Counterparty default risk with respect to reinsurance contracts; and
- Operational risk.

All market risks in respect of investment assets are considered hedgeable. Careful consideration has been given to the extent to which inflation risk in respect of the liabilities should be regarded as hedgeable, consistent with the risk categorisation within the IM. Any inflation risk other than traded price inflation (defined as RPI for UK business and Euro Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices for Irish business) is regarded as non-hedgeable. This includes the excess of claims inflation over traded price inflation, which is considered within the assessment of insurance risk. There is a deep, liquid and transparent market in the UK for instruments whose value is linked to price inflation and so price inflation risk on the opening Best Estimate Liabilities is considered hedgeable. The additional price inflation risk arising from variation from the Best Estimate Liabilities is not however considered hedgeable.

While reinsurance credit risk, and some underwriting risks, may be hedgeable in practice using credit default swaps etc., the Risk Margin calculation assumes that these risks are not hedged after the business is transferred to the third party.

Projection of the non-hedgeable risk SCR (unaudited)

In order to project the non-hedgeable SCR which underpins the Risk Margin, simplifications are selected from the hierarchy set out by EIOPA to ensure that the Risk Margin calculation remains proportionate to the nature, scale and complexity of the business.

The projected risks are then aggregated using a correlation matrix approach at each future time period.

Loss absorbing capacity

The loss absorbing capacity of Technical Provisions assumed in the projection of the non-hedgeable risk SCR (unaudited) is consistent with the loss absorbing capacity of Technical Provisions assumed in the calculation of the SCR (unaudited). No allowance for the loss absorbency of deferred taxes is included in the Risk Margin.

Allocation of the Risk Margin to SII line of business

The Risk Margin is allocated across lines of business using an approximation to the Euler allocation method for IM business units. For SF business units, one of the two prescribed methods is adopted:

- Allocation according to time zero non-hedgeable SCRs (unaudited); or
- Allocation according to present value of non-hedgeable SCRs (unaudited).

Methodology

In projecting the non-hedgeable risk SCR (unaudited), the Company has adopted an enhanced version of the second approach in the EIOPA hierarchy. The SCR (unaudited) is projected by model calculation class and risk category and allows for an increase in relative volatility as the risks run-off to reflect that smaller portfolios are inherently more volatile.

D.2.1.4 Simplifications

Best Estimate Liabilities

In some areas of the calculation of the SII Best Estimate Liabilities, simplified methods have been used. The simplifications used have been assessed and have no material impact on the value of SII Best Estimate Liabilities. Where simplified methods are used, these are documented and justified in the Company's reserving reports and documentation. The main simplifications within the calculation of SII Best Estimate Liabilities are:

- The majority of the Company's Best Estimate Liabilities are in sterling. As part of the calculation of Technical Provisions, the Company segments any material exposure to United States Dollars (USD) and Euro (EUR) currencies. On materiality grounds, exposure to currencies outside of sterling, USD and EUR are not separately segmented and are instead converted to sterling at prevailing exchange rates;
- Only material inwards reinsurance arrangements are separately modelled; and
- The Company's Best Estimate Liabilities include a provision in relation to ENID. For the purposes of discounting cashflows, it is assumed that ENID have the same cashflow profile as other claims.
- Cashflows are modelled in monthly time intervals for the first 10 years and annually thereafter. For the purposes of discounting, all payments are assumed to occur mid-month or mid-year as dictated by the time intervals used.
- When calculating provisions for potential reinsurer default, reinsurance assets are grouped by reinsurer counterparty credit rating and within each credit rating the same probabilities of default are assumed.
- Gross premium debtors are split by class of business and payment date based on the split of written premium.
- The volume of Legally Obligated Unincepted business has been estimated based on a proportion of January's planned written premium for most classes of business. For corporate and speciality type business, the volume has been estimated individually for each class in conjunction with Aviva's underwriting teams to allow for business accepted under long-term agreements.

D.2.1.5 Material changes in the relevant assumptions compared to the previous reporting period

There were no material changes in the relevant assumptions made in the calculation of Technical Provisions compared to the previous reporting period, other than in relation to Ogden rate, see section D.2.2.

D.2.2 Level of uncertainty

The actual cost of settling insurance obligations may differ from the Best Estimate Liabilities because experience may be worse than assumed or future claims inflation may differ from that expected. There are a number of potential developments that would have a material adverse impact on the Best Estimate Liabilities value including:

- Catastrophic weather events;
- New types of latent claims;
- Unanticipated legislative changes; and
- Unanticipated inflation.

Specific areas of uncertainty are:

- In conducting its insurance business, the Company receives general insurance liability claims, and becomes involved in actual or threatened related litigation arising therefrom, including claims in respect of pollution and other environmental hazards. Amongst these are claims in respect of asbestos production and handling. Given the significant delays that are experienced in the notification of these claims, the potential number of incidents which they cover and the uncertainties associated with establishing liability, the ultimate cost cannot be determined with certainty. Gross of reinsurance the level of uncertainty within the Technical Provisions for latent claims is high. The Company has extensive reinsurance in place against these claims so net of reinsurance the level of uncertainty is insignificant;
- PPO represent a material part of Best Estimate Liabilities. They also represent one of the most uncertain elements of the Company's Technical Provisions due to their long-tailed nature and the sensitivity to changes in economic-related assumptions. Additional uncertainty arises due to potential differences in the life expectancy of claimants compared to that expected, as well as the potential uncertainty in the propensity for non-life large injury claims to settle as PPO as opposed to lump sum awards. Gross of reinsurance the level of uncertainty within the Technical Provisions for PPO is very high. The Company purchases reinsurance to mitigate longevity risk in relation to these claims, which materially reduces the level of uncertainty; and
- In December 2018, the Civil Liability Bill became an Act of Parliament, which includes a change in the way the discount rate used to calculate lump sum compensation in personal injury cases (the 'Ogden rate') is set. Although the rate remains uncertain, it is anticipated that the Government will set a discount rate which is higher than the current -0.75% rate. At this stage, following a review of a range of outcomes, the Company has adopted a rate of 0.0% within the FY18 Technical Provisions. This is consistent with the adopted rate used for IFRS at YE18 and amounts to a favourable movement of £177m to the Best Estimate Liability within the Technical Provisions.

D.2.3 Material differences between the SII and IFRS valuation bases

The following table summarises gross of reinsurance SII Technical Provisions by material line of business and compares these to IFRS reclassified Technical Provisions. The information contained in this table is an extract from the SII Balance Sheet QRT S.02.01, presented in Appendix F.1.1.

Technical Provisions as at 31 December 2018 £m	Best Estimate Liability (BEL)	Risk Margin (unaudited) (RM)	SII Technical Provisions (BEL+RM)	IFRS reclassified Technical Provisions	Difference between SII and IFRS reclassified Technical Provisions
Total Non-life (excluding health)	5,060	169	5,229	6,099	(870)
- Motor vehicle liability	2,363	73	2,436	2,579	(143)
- Other motor insurance	175	4	179	243	(64)
- Fire and property damage	526	17	543	917	(374)
- General liability insurance	1,871	74	1,945	2,183	(238)
- Other Non-life	125	1	126	177	(51)
Health (similar to non-life)	89	3	92	146	(54)
Life (excluding health and index-linked and unit-linked)(PPO)	613	53	666	603	63
Total	5,762	225	5,987	6,848	(861)

On materiality grounds the Other Non-life row of this table groups together a number of the smaller non-life lines of business.

The material differences between the SII and IFRS valuation bases are summarised below:

- SII Technical Provisions include the Risk Margin (unaudited), which is not included within IFRS Provisions, and which increases SII Technical Provisions compared to IFRS Provisions. This impacts on all lines of business, but has the greatest impact on the Life, Motor Vehicle Liability and General Liability insurance lines of business;
- An explicit margin for uncertainty is included within IFRS Provisions but removed under SII. This impacts all lines of business and reduces SII Technical Provisions compared to IFRS Provisions;
- Only long-tailed claims reserves (predominantly latent claims within General Liability insurance and PPO claims) are discounted within IFRS Provisions, whereas all cash flows are discounted under SII. This difference reduces SII Technical Provisions compared to IFRS Provisions and affects all lines of business, but with the most material impact on the Motor Vehicle Liability and General Liability insurance lines of business given these classes typically contain longer duration cash flows which see relatively larger impacts from discounting under SII;

- The rate used to discount cash flows for PPO claims within IFRS Provisions is higher than that used under SII. This increases SII Technical Provisions compared to IFRS Provisions and impacts the Life line of business which contains the Company's PPO claims in payment, as well as the Motor Vehicle Liability and, to a lesser extent, General Liability insurance lines of business which include provisions for claims which are expected to settle as PPO claims in the future;
- The rate used to discount cash flows for latent claims within IFRS provisions is lower than that used under SII, which reduces SII Technical Provisions compared to IFRS provisions. This impacts the General Liability insurance line of business;
- The unearned premium reserve established under IFRS for all Non-life and Health lines of business is replaced with a Best Estimate premium provision which incorporates the expected cost of claims and expenses on the unearned periods of exposure. This typically leads to a lower premium provision under SII than the equivalent unearned premium reserves under IFRS. This difference impacts all non-life and health lines of business, but has proportionately larger impacts on the Fire and Property Damage and other non-life lines of business; and
- Under SII, provisions are established for Legally Obligated Unincurred Business, whereas these provisions are not included within the IFRS valuation basis. This difference impacts all Non-life and Health lines of business. This will reduce SII Technical Provisions compared to IFRS Provisions.

D.2.4 Volatility Adjustment

The Volatility Adjustment removes temporary distortions in spreads caused by illiquidity in the market or extreme widening of credit spreads, in particular in relation to government bonds. The PRA has approved the Company's application to apply a Volatility Adjustment (PRA reference number: 2191473). The impact of the Volatility Adjustment on Technical Provisions, Basic Own Funds, Eligible Own Funds to meet the SCR, the SCR (unaudited), Eligible Own Funds to meet the Minimum Capital Requirement (MCR) and the MCR is detailed in the Long Term Guarantees and Transitional measures QRT S.22.01 (see Appendix F.1.5). The impact of removing the Volatility Adjustment from gross SII Technical Provisions would be to increase their value by £99m.

D.2.5 Other reliefs

No transitional provisions have been applied in the calculation of SII Technical Provisions.

D.3 Other Liabilities

Other liabilities have been valued according to the requirements of the SII Directive and related guidance; the basis of the SII valuation principle is the amount for which they could be exchanged between knowledgeable willing parties in an arm's length transaction. A description of the basis of valuation under SII along with valuation differences between the SII bases and the IFRS financial statements, by material class, is provided below; if the valuation method has been described in the financial statements or is an alternative method of valuation detailed in Section D.4, it has not been included in this section.

The Company's financial statements provide information about contingent liabilities and other risk factors in note 29. The Company has no additional material contingent liabilities to recognise under SII.

D.3.1 Payables and other financial liabilities

Payables and other financial liabilities are recognised initially at their fair value and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, under IFRS. There are no material differences between the IFRS value and fair value under SII.

D.3.2 Other liabilities

Reinsurers' share of deferred acquisition costs of £278m and deferred income of £35m, included within other liabilities under IFRS, are not recognised and therefore valued at £nil in the SII Balance Sheet. Material differences in the valuation of Technical Provisions are explained in Section D.2.3. There are no other material differences between the IFRS and SII valuation bases.

D.3.3 Liabilities arising from leasing commitments

The future contractual aggregate minimum lease payment commitments under non-cancellable operating leases are £119m. Further detail is provided in note 30 to the financial statements.

D.3.4 Assumptions, judgements and uncertainty

No material assumptions or judgements were applied to, nor is any material uncertainty associated with, the recognition and valuation of other liabilities.

D.3.5 Changes made to recognition and valuation bases and estimations during the reporting period

No material changes were made to the bases used to recognise and value other liabilities, or to their estimations, during the reporting period.

D.4 Alternative Methods of Valuation

The majority of the Company's assets and other liabilities are valued using quoted market information or observable market data. Maximum use has been made of market observable inputs when alternative methods of valuation have been adopted. The material assets and other liabilities, disclosed in the Balance Sheet QRT in Appendix F.1.1, that have alternative methods of valuation methods applied are as follows:

Participations

Participations of £1,126m are valued at the Company's proportionate equity share of the excess of assets over liabilities of each subsidiary, valued on a look through basis to the SII value of the assets and liabilities of the entity. This method is used because quoted prices from active markets in the equity of the subsidiaries are not available. The Company's investment in participations largely relates to its principal subsidiary ACI. Most of ACI's assets and liabilities are valued using quoted market information or observable market data. However, ACI values net Defined Benefit Obligations of £75m in accordance with the requirements of IAS19: Employee Benefits. The present value of future benefits is determined by projecting members' entitlements to the assumed retirement age. Expected payments are discounted to the valuation date reflecting future interest rates and mortality.

Property (other than for own use)

Property (other than for own use) of £380m is recognised at its fair value as assessed by qualified external valuers using standard valuation practices. Values are calculated using a discounted cash flow approach and are based on current rental income plus anticipated uplifts at the next rent review, lease expiry, or break option taking into consideration lease incentives and assuming no growth in the estimated rental value of the property. This uplift and the discount rate are derived from rates implied by recent market transactions on similar properties. The valuation uncertainty of investment property has been assessed by reference to a range of estimated rental yields presented by a number of independent surveyors. This assessment indicates that the uncertainty relating to the valuation of property (other than own use) is immaterial.

Property funds

Collective investment undertakings include property funds of £184m. The underlying properties are valued based on external valuation reports received from fund managers. As with directly held property, the underlying properties are valued by third party surveyors using a discounted cash flow approach. An assessment of the valuation uncertainty of property funds, in line with the assessment of directly held property, indicated that the valuation uncertainty is immaterial.

Loans receivable

Loans receivable, of £1,838m under SII, principally comprise the Company's loans to its immediate parent AGH of £1,319m and the subordinated loans to its subsidiary ACI of CAD350m and CAD480m. The SII value of loans receivable includes accrued interest of £42m which is classified as accrued income under IFRS. These loans are valued using an income approach, which reflects the present value of contractual cash flows using discount rates calibrated as far as possible to relevant market observable parameters and taking into account any embedded features of the loan. The valuation uncertainty associated with loans receivable is considered to be immaterial.

Subordinated loan payable

The subordinated loan payable to AGH is valued at £276m (translated from CAD480m at the year-end exchange rate) using an income approach which reflects the present value of contractual cash flows using discount rates calibrated as far as possible to relevant market observable parameters and taking into account any embedded features of the loan. In accordance with SII guidance, the discount rate is not adjusted for changes in credit risk of the borrower. The valuation uncertainty associated with the subordinated loan payable is immaterial.

Derivatives

Derivative assets and liabilities, with SII values of £89m and £134m respectively, are stated at fair value under IFRS and SII but include accrued income under SII. This is classified separately under IFRS. The majority of derivatives are over-the-counter derivatives and are valued by the broker based on an income approach using either discounted cash flow models or option pricing models and applying market observable inputs. The valuations are validated against counterparty statements. The valuation uncertainty associated with derivatives is immaterial.

Adequacy of valuation compared to experience

The Company operates independent price verification (IPV) controls across all assets. For asset types where a secondary source is available (such as over-the-counter derivatives and publicly traded bonds), this involves comparing the primary valuation to a secondary independent source, investigating material differences and making a valuation adjustment where appropriate.

For asset classes where a secondary source is not available and there is no secondary trading activity (such as property (other than for own use) and private equity), the Company relies on the implementation of accepted valuation standards by parties independent of the Group (e.g. valuation of investment property in line with the methodologies described in the RICS "red book"). These are asset classes with considerable valuation uncertainty and to assess the reasonableness of the valuations back testing analysis is performed on an annual basis for any assets sold during the year. Results of these back-testing analyses are presented in the Company's valuation uncertainty assessments.

D.5 Any Other Information

On 1 February 2019, an insurance portfolio transfer of a subset of the Company's business, under Part VII of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, was made to the Company's subsidiary Aviva Insurance Ireland Designated Activity Company (AIIDAC), which is incorporated in Ireland. Gross insurance liabilities of £1,028m underpinned by £1,028m of assets comprising premium under a quota share arrangement and other investments were transferred to AIIDAC under this arrangement. Further detail is provided in section A.1.2.

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E. Capital Management

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E. Capital Management

The 'Capital Management' section of the report describes the objectives, policies and procedures employed by the Company for managing its Own Funds. The section also covers information on structure and quality of Own Funds and calculation of SCR (unaudited), including information about the Company's IM.

E.1 Own Funds

E.1.1 Management of Own Funds

The Company's capital and risk management objectives are closely interlinked and support earnings growth and dividend policy, whilst also recognising the critical importance of protecting policyholder and other stakeholder interests. The Company's primary objective of managing capital efficiently is to optimise the balance between return and risk, whilst maintaining economic and regulatory capital surplus in accordance with approved risk appetites.

In managing its Own Funds the Company also seeks to:

- Match the profile of its assets and liabilities, taking account of the risks inherent in the business;
- Maintain sufficient, but not excessive, financial strength to support new business growth and satisfy the requirements of its policyholders and its regulator, the PRA;
- Retain financial flexibility by maintaining sufficient liquidity; and
- Allocate capital efficiently, applying it to support value-adding growth and repatriating excess capital to its shareholder through dividends.

Own Funds are monitored via forecasts over a three year planning horizon. A number of stress and scenario tests are used to enable the Company to understand the volatility of its earnings and capital requirement, and therefore manage its capital more efficiently.

There have been no material changes in the objectives, policies or processes employed for managing Own Funds during the year.

E.1.2 Eligible Own Funds

An analysis of the Company's Own Funds by tier is presented in the Own Funds QRT S.23.01.01, (see Appendix F.1.6), and summarised below.

Own Funds £m	Total	Tier 1 (unrestricted)	Tier 2	Tier 3	Total	Tier 1 (unrestricted)	Tier 2	Tier 3
As at 31 December	2018	2018	2108	2108	2017	2017	2017	2107
Ordinary share capital	204	204	-	-	204	204	-	-
Reconciliation reserve	1,432	1,432	-	-	1,990	1,990	-	-
Subordinated loan	276	-	276	-	283	-	283	-
An amount equal to net deferred tax assets	77	-	-	77	65	-	-	65
Total Basic Own Funds	1,989	1,636	276	77	2,542	2,194	283	65

Tiering analysis

The Company's ordinary share capital and reconciliation reserve are available to absorb losses and have the Tier 1 features of permanence and subordination. As the Company's Articles of Association do not contain any restriction on the right of the Company to cancel dividends or other distributions at any time before they are paid, the Company's ordinary share capital is classified as unrestricted Tier 1.

The Company's subordinated loan from AGH has the Tier 2 features of subordination and duration, as detailed below.

An amount equal to the value of net deferred tax assets is classified as Tier 3, as prescribed by the SII Regulations.

Subordinated loan

The Company has a subordinated unsecured loan arrangement from AGH of CAD 480m. The loan accrues interest at 474 basis points above the Canadian Dealer Offered Rate and matures in 2046. The table below sets out the value of the subordinated loan:

	£m	£m
As at 31 December	2018	2017
Unsecured loan arrangement from AGH	276	283
Total unsecured loans	276	283

Significant changes in Own Funds during the year

Tier 1 Own Funds of £1,636m (2017: £2,194m) fell by £558m during the year. The reduction was mainly driven by dividends paid of £392m, and a foreseeable dividend of £359m, partly offset by capital generated from the Company's operations. The foreseeable dividend of £359m was approved by the Board in December and paid in February 2019. Under SII regulations this is incorporated in Own Funds as a 'foreseeable' dividend.

The Company did not issue or redeem any Own Fund items in the year.

Reconciliation reserve

The Company's capital comprises ordinary share capital, capital reserves and retained earnings. Capital reserves and retained earnings are not separately disclosed in Own Funds. They are notionally included in the reconciliation reserve, which reconciles the total excess of assets over liabilities with identifiable capital instruments included in Own Funds.

The table below sets out the constituent parts of the reconciliation reserve:

	£m	£m
As at 31 December	2018	2017
SII excess of assets over liabilities	2,072	2,259
Foreseeable dividend	(359)	-
Ordinary share capital	(204)	(204)
An amount equal to net deferred tax assets	(77)	(65)
Reconciliation reserve	1,432	1,990

Eligibility of tiered capital

The eligibility of tiered capital, to cover the SCR (unaudited) and MCR depends upon the tiering shown above and a number of quantitative limits. The Company's Own Funds satisfy all limits applicable to the SCR (unaudited) and therefore the eligibility of the Company's capital to cover the SCR (unaudited) is unrestricted.

At least 80% of the MCR must be covered by Tier 1 capital and Tier 3 capital is not eligible to cover the MCR at all. As a result eligible funds to meet the MCR are restricted, as shown in the table below.

	£m	£m
As at 31 December	2018	2017
Total eligible Own Funds to meet the SCR	1,989	2,542
Total eligible Own Funds to meet the MCR	1,710	2,271

The ratio of eligible Own Funds to the SCR (unaudited) and the MCR is detailed below.

	2018	2017
Ratio of eligible Own Funds to the SCR	158%	198%
Ratio of eligible Own Funds to the MCR	465%	588%

E.1.3 Material differences between equity on an IFRS basis and Own Funds

The Company's Own Funds are equal to the excess of assets over liabilities on a SII basis plus the subordinated loan as set out in the following table.

	£m	£m
As at 31 December	2018	2017
Excess of assets over liabilities on a SII basis	2,072	2,259
Foreseeable dividend	(359)	-
Subordinated loan	276	283
Own Funds	1,989	2,542

The Company's excess of assets over liabilities on a SII basis was £706m (2017: £1,791m) less than its total equity on an IFRS basis. The Company has changed its accounting policy relating to the recognition of investments in subsidiaries and associates in its IFRS financial statements, as detailed in Section D.1.9. This explains the difference in the Company's excess of assets over liabilities on a SII basis compared to its total equity on an IFRS basis in 2018, compared to 2017. The following table details the material differences between the excess of assets over liabilities on a SII basis and total equity on an IFRS basis.

As at 31 December 2018	£m	£m	See Section
Total equity on an IFRS basis		2,778	
Elimination of goodwill and other intangible assets	(272)		D.1.1
Elimination of deferred acquisition costs	(546)		D.1.2
Valuation adjustments to investments in participations	(303)		D.1.5
Valuation adjustments to reinsurance recoverables	(725)		D.1.7
Valuation adjustments to Technical Provisions	861		D.2.3
Valuation adjustments to other liabilities	316		D.3.2
Net deferred tax adjustments	(37)		D.1.3
		(706)	
Excess of assets over liabilities on a SII basis		2,072	

E.1.4 Transitional arrangements and restrictions

The Company's Own Funds are unrestricted and fully transferable.

E.2 Solvency Capital Requirement (unaudited) and Minimum Capital Requirement

E.2.1 The amount of the SCR and MCR

The Company's SCR as at 31 December 2018 was £1.3bn (2017: £1.3bn). This is shown in the SCR QRT, S.25.02, see Appendix F.1.7.

The Company's MCR as at 31 December 2018 was £0.4bn (2017: £0.4bn). This is shown on the MCR QRT, S.28.01, see Appendix F.1.8.

The final amount of the SCR is subject to supervisory assessment and does not include any regulator-imposed capital add-ons.

E.2.2 The composition of the SCR

The Company determines its SCR using a PIM. The SCR of the IM component, the SF component and the diversification benefit between the two is shown below:

	£bn	£bn
As at 31 December	2018	2017
IM component	1.2	1.2
SF component	0.1	0.1
Diversification between the IM and SF components	(0.0)	(0.0)
Total SCR	1.3	1.3

Material risk categories for the IM component are shown below. The SF components are given in section E.4.2. Further detail is shown in the SCR QRT S.25.02.

Diversified SCR by material risk category (per the SCR QRT)	£bn	£bn
As at 31 December	2018	2017
Market risk	0.8	0.9
Non-life underwriting risk	0.8	0.8
Operational risk	0.4	0.4
Counterparty risk	0.1	0.2
Other	(0.0)	(0.1)
Diversification between risk categories	(0.8)	(0.9)
Total SCR	1.3	1.3

Diversification benefits between risks are primarily driven by the relative size of risks and the correlations between them. For example, two risks diversify more if they are similarly sized and diversify less the more highly correlated they are. Diversification is also influenced by the shape of risk distributions, in that risks where extreme events are more likely tend to diversify better. The diversification benefit of £0.8bn in the table above is the diversification between the risk categories listed in the table. In addition, each risk category includes the impact of diversification within that risk. For example, the non-life underwriting risk includes underwriting and reserve risk along with the diversification between them.

E.2.3 Simplifications, undertaking specific parameters and matching adjustment (unaudited)

Where the SCR is calculated using the SF, the SII regulations specify 23 simplified calculations that may be used across all the SF risk modules except operational risk. The use of these simplifications is disclosed in QRT S.25.02.21 (Appendix F.1.7), where applicable. The Company has not used any of these simplified calculations to calculate the SCR at 31 December 2018.

Where the SCR is calculated using the SF, the SII Regulations specify certain undertaking-specific parameters that may be used in place of the standard parameters, subject to regulatory approval. These are available for non-life (including some health) premium and reserve risks. The use of these undertaking-specific parameters must be disclosed in QRT S.25.02.21 (Appendix F.1.7), where applicable. The Company has not used any undertaking-specific parameters to calculate the SCR at 31 December 2018.

E.2.4 MCR calculation

The Company's MCR is calculated by applying prescribed factors to its written premium and its net Best Estimate Liabilities. In accordance with the SII Regulations, premium and Best Estimate Liabilities of subsidiary companies are not included in the calculation. The MCR is subject to two further constraints: it must lie in the range of 25% to 45% of the Company's SCR; and it cannot be less than an absolute minimum of £3.3m. The Company's MCR currently lies within this range.

E.3 Use of the duration-based equity risk sub-module in the calculation of the Solvency Capital Requirement (unaudited)

The Company does not use the duration-based equity risk sub-module in the calculation of the Company's SCR.

E.4 Differences between the Standard Formula and any Internal Model used (unaudited)

E.4.1 Key uses of the IM

The IM provides input to a number of key business processes and activities. Therefore, the outputs from the IM are used in day-to-day risk management and business decisions across the Company. "Use" does not imply that the IM is used to directly run the business, but rather that the outputs of the IM and the IM itself are used to support decision-making, whilst acknowledging its limitations and balancing against other elements of the Risk Management Framework.

The primary purpose of the Company's IM is to calculate the capital metrics, principally the SCR (unaudited), required for regulatory reporting under SII. The outputs of the Company's IM are also used in risk-based performance reporting and risk and financial strength reporting to senior management, the Board, the shareholder and rating agencies.

The granular metrics produced by the IM are used in setting the Company's strategy and support a series of other activities including:

- Business planning, capital allocation, measurement of the risk-adjusted return and setting risk appetites;
- Improving pricing and product design by assessing the level of capital required to support different types of product;
- Assessing the appropriateness of potential acquisitions or business investments through the impact on surplus capital;
- Identifying the need for targeted reinsurance contracts to mitigate undesirable risk exposures, through modelling potential adverse scenarios; and
- Measuring the impact of market changes on assets and liabilities to drive investment strategy.

E.4.2 Scope of the IM and integration into the SF to derive the PIM

The Company uses a PIM to calculate its SCR (unaudited). The IM component covers all of the Company's risk categories and takes into account the underlying risks of the Company's subsidiaries, subject to the exclusions detailed below.

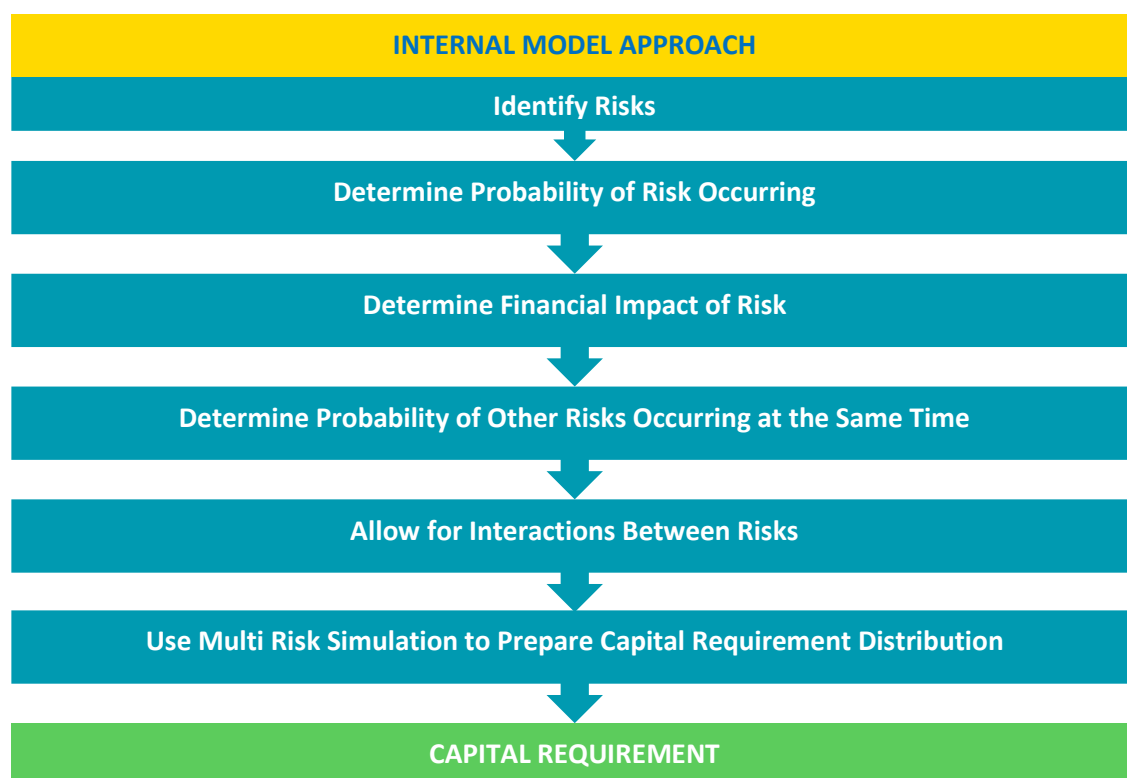
The SCR is calculated using SF for the following elements of the Company's business:

- Private medical insurance business;
- ACI's staff pension fund;
- Some of the Company's non-insurance participations; and
- Household business underwritten by the Company's subsidiary, Gresham, to the extent it has not been reinsured to the Company.

The Company has chosen to use Integration Technique 2 within Method 2 as detailed in Annex XVIII of the SII Delegated Regulations, to combine the results of its IM and SF calculations. This technique requires specifying upper and lower bounds for correlations between the entire IM block and each of the SF risk modules. A correlation matrix is then constructed with correlations between these bounds such that it maximises the Basic Solvency Capital Requirement.

E.4.3 Method used in the IM for calculating the probability distribution forecast

The purpose of the IM is to identify the risks to which the Company is exposed, model these risks using suitably calibrated inputs and aggregate them to compute the SCR (unaudited). An overview of the Company's approach is shown below.



The Company's IM allows flexibility in determining which statistical distributions to use to represent risk factors. This flexibility is important as it ensures that the behaviour of the most important risks to the Company is modelled appropriately.

For the market risk factors standard statistical distributions are used which are fitted via the standard risk factor calibration process. However, for other risk types, such as non-life underwriting and operational risk, distributions are derived from further modelling processes. This approach is appropriate given both the materiality of these risk types and the desire to ensure the risk's behaviour is adequately captured.

The Company uses a wide range of testing and review processes to ensure that the calibrations are appropriate and the IM outputs are reasonable. These range from bottom-up reviews of the material assumptions used in the modelling process and the testing of the calibrations and loss functions, to top-down stress and scenario testing, back testing and benchmarking.

Risk measure and time period used in the IM

The IM produces an aggregate distribution of the change in Basic Own Funds over a one-year time horizon from which the SCR (unaudited) can be directly derived, in line with Article 101 of the SII Directive. The SCR (unaudited) is the 99.5th percentile.

E.4.4 Material differences between the SF and IM methodologies and assumptions

The key difference between SF and the IM is that the IM has been tailored to the Company's risk profile. The IM calibrates a distribution of losses for each risk and uses these, together with a set of correlations between these risks, to derive a joint distribution of losses for the Company. The SCR (unaudited) is derived from this and ensures the Company holds sufficient capital to withstand a 1 in 200 event over one year. Calibrating risks for the IM therefore requires detailed data analysis and use of statistical models. SF simply uses prescribed formulae to calculate the capital required for each risk exposure.

Material differences between the SF and IM methodologies and assumptions by risk type are:

Market risk

- The Company's IM includes the risk on sovereign bonds, which is not included in SF; and
- In the Company's IM interest rates are modelled in more detail to ensure changes in the slope and shape of the yield curve are captured. SF only considers the change in the level of interest rates.

Non-life underwriting risk

- Risks relating to latent claims and PPO are included in the IM using the Company's specific risk distributions. As SF does not explicitly address latent claims and PPO, a company using SF would need to devise undertaking specific parameters;
- Man made catastrophes are allowed for in the IM as an ENID, using Company-specific parameters and taking into account diversification benefits. SF computes the impact of man made catastrophes formulaically;
- In SF the impact of inflation is implicitly captured in the calibration of the premium and reserve risks. The Company's IM separately identifies and calibrates RPI movements that can be traded;
- The Company's IM employs a finer level of granularity for material lines of business which allows for more distinction between material product types and in particular between commercial and personal lines which are grouped in SF; and
- The Company's IM captures risks where the probability of extreme values is higher than normal, for example, PPO related to large personal injury claims. SF would not adequately capture the impact of these elements for the Company.

Operational risk

- The Company's IM assesses operational risk using a scenario based approach. SF uses a simple formulaic approach.

Counterparty risk

- SF considers all counterparty default risk under one module. The Company's IM takes into account both the type of the counterparty and the nature of the exposure; and
- The Company's IM considers default risk in more detail, taking into account spread risks and diversification between various credit exposures. SF does not consider these elements.

Aggregation, diversification and tax

- The Company's IM allows it to determine diversification at a more granular level and capture important features such as its geographical diversification;
- The Company's IM uses explicit correlation matrices to combine sub-module losses within each risk module, and then to combine the calculated losses of the different risk modules. The SF uses a simpler hierarchical correlations approach; and
- The Company's IM assesses loss functions net of tax. The SF calculation requires tax relief to be deducted from the gross SCR.

E.4.5 Data used in the IM

The data used in the Company's IM includes:

- Accounting data, computed on an IFRS basis, which is used in the valuation of assets and liabilities;
- Policy data from both policies in force and past policies that includes premium data, historic data on claims and exposure data covering potential catastrophic events such as on geographical concentrations;
- Operational risk data obtained from an external database covering industry operational risk losses, which is obtained from the Operational Risk Insurance Consortium;
- Financial market data, including asset data externally obtained such as from FTSE 100 index;
- Asset data including the market value of assets, most often derived from the accounting data; and
- Other data including numerical, census or classification information, but excluding qualitative information.

As part of the Company's data governance process the appropriateness of the data is considered before it is used in the IM. Data accuracy, appropriateness and completeness are monitored on an ongoing basis by the Company's Data Governance Council. The data used in the IM in 2018 was formally reviewed by the Company's Chief Actuary, supported by the Data Governance Council.

E.5 Non-Compliance with the Minimum Capital Requirement and Non-Compliance with the Solvency Capital Requirement (unaudited)

The Company has complied continuously with both the MCR and the SCR (unaudited) throughout the reporting period.

E.6 Any Other Information

The Company has no other material information to disclose.

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F.0 Cautionary Statement

This announcement contains, and we may make other verbal or written 'forward-looking statements' with respect to certain of the Company's plans and current goals and expectations relating to future financial condition, performance, results, strategic initiatives and objectives. Statements containing the words 'believes', 'intends', 'expects', 'projects', 'plans', 'will', 'seeks', 'aims', 'may', 'could', 'outlook', 'likely', 'target', 'goal', 'guidance', 'trends', 'future', 'estimates', 'potential' and 'anticipates', and words of similar meaning, are forward-looking. By their nature, all forward-looking statements involve risk and uncertainty. Accordingly, there are or will be important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated in these statements.

The Company believes factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated in forward-looking statements in the announcement include, but are not limited to: the impact of ongoing difficult conditions in the global financial markets and the economy generally; the impact of simplifying our operating structure and activities; the impact of various local and international political, regulatory and economic conditions; market developments and government actions (including those arising from the referendum on the UK's membership of the European Union); the effect of losses due to defaults by counterparties, including potential sovereign debt defaults or restructurings, on the value of our investments; changes in interest rates that may reduce the value of our portfolio; the impact of changes in short or long-term inflation; the impact of changes in equity or property prices on our investment portfolio; fluctuations in currency exchange rates; the effect of market fluctuations on the value of the assets backing reserves; the amount of allowances and impairments taken on our investments; the effect of adverse capital and credit market conditions on our ability to meet liquidity needs and our access to capital; changes in, or restrictions on, our ability to initiate capital management initiatives; changes in or inaccuracy of assumptions in pricing and reserving for insurance business (particularly with regard to policy renewal rates), a cyclical downturn of the insurance industry; the impact of natural and man-made catastrophic events on our business activities and results of operations; our reliance on information and technology and third-party service providers for our operations and systems; the inability of reinsurers to meet obligations or unavailability of reinsurance coverage; increased competition in the UK and in other countries where we have significant operations; regulatory approval of extension of use of the Company's internal model for calculation of regulatory capital under the European Union's SII rules; the impact of actual experience differing from estimates used in valuing and amortising deferred acquisition costs ('DAC'); the impact of recognising an impairment of our goodwill or intangibles with indefinite lives; changes in valuation methodologies, estimates and assumptions used in the valuation of investment securities; the effect of legal proceedings and regulatory investigations; the impact of operational risks, including inadequate or failed internal and external processes, systems and human error or from external events (including cyber attack); risks associated with arrangements with third parties; our reliance on third-party distribution channels to deliver our products; funding risks associated with our participation in defined benefit staff pension schemes; the failure to attract or retain the necessary key personnel; the effect of fluctuations in share price as a result of general market conditions or otherwise; the effect of simplifying our operating structure and activities; the effect of a decline in any of our ratings by rating agencies on our standing among customers, broker-dealers, agents, wholesalers and other distributors of our products and services; changes to our brand and reputation; changes in government regulations or tax laws in jurisdictions where we conduct business; the inability to protect our intellectual property; the policies, decisions and actions of government or regulatory authorities in the UK, the European Union, the US or elsewhere, including the implementation of key legislation and regulation. For a more detailed description of these risks, uncertainties and other factors, please see the Aviva plc Annual report and accounts.

The Company undertakes no obligation to update the forward-looking statements in this announcement or any other forward-looking statements it may make. Forward-looking statements in this report are current only as of the date on which such statements are made.

This Solvency and Financial Condition Report has been published for information only, it is based on our understanding as at 16 April 2019 and does not provide financial or legal advice. Other than as set out in section F.3 (Directors Statement), the Company, its directors, employees, agents or advisers do not accept or assume responsibility to any person to whom this document is shown or into whose hands it may come, and any such responsibility or liability is expressly disclaimed.

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Balance Sheet

Amounts in 000s

		Solvency II Value
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Assets		
Intangible assets	R0030	
Deferred tax assets	R0040	76,617
Pension benefit surplus	R0050	
Property, plant & equipment held for own use	R0060	23,865
Investments (other than assets held for index-linked and unit-linked contracts)	R0070	5,943,036
Property (other than for own use)	R0080	379,994
Holdings in related undertakings, including participations	R0090	1,125,604
Equities	R0100	11,045
- Equities - Listed	R0110	
- Equities - Unlisted	R0120	11,045
Bonds	R0130	2,512,908
- Government Bonds	R0140	1,411,108
- Corporate Bonds	R0150	1,101,800
- Structured Notes	R0160	
- Collateralised securities	R0170	
Collective Investments Undertakings	R0180	1,804,185
Derivatives	R0190	88,765
Deposits other than cash equivalents	R0200	20,535
Other investments	R0210	
Assets held for index-linked and unit-linked contracts	R0220	
Loans & mortgages	R0230	1,838,446
- Loans on policies	R0240	
- Loans & mortgages to individuals	R0250	
- Other loans & mortgages	R0260	1,838,446
Reinsurance recoverables from:	R0270	4,140,367
- Reinsurance recoverables - Non-life and health similar to non-life	R0280	3,593,463
- Reinsurance recoverables - Non-life excluding health	R0290	3,462,364
- Reinsurance recoverables - Health similar to non-life	R0300	131,099
- Reinsurance recoverables - Life and health similar to life, excluding health and index-linked and unit-linked	R0310	546,904
- Reinsurance recoverables - Health similar to life	R0320	
- Reinsurance recoverables - Life excluding health and index-linked and unit-linked	R0330	546,904
- Reinsurance recoverables - Life index-linked and unit-linked	R0340	
Deposits to cedants	R0350	
Insurance & intermediaries receivables	R0360	1,801
Reinsurance receivables	R0370	56,440
Receivables (trade, not insurance)	R0380	435,144
Own Shares (held directly)	R0390	
Amounts due in respect of own fund items or initial fund called up but not yet paid in	R0400	
Cash and cash equivalents	R0410	69,817
Any other assets, not elsewhere shown	R0420	68,098
Total assets	R0500	12,653,632
Liabilities		
Technical provisions - Non-life	R0510	5,321,383
- Technical provisions - Non-life (excluding health)	R0520	5,228,622
- TP calculated as a whole - Non-life (excluding health)	R0530	
- Best Estimate - Non-life (excluding health)	R0540	5,059,939
- Risk margin - Non-life (excluding health)	R0550	168,683
- Technical provisions - Health (similar to non-life)	R0560	92,761
- TP calculated as a whole - Health (similar to non-life)	R0570	
- Best Estimate - Health (similar to non-life)	R0580	89,292
- Risk margin - Health (similar to non-life)	R0590	3,469
Technical provisions - Life (excluding index-linked and unit linked)	R0600	666,054
- Technical provisions - Health (similar to life)	R0610	
- TP calculated as a whole - Health (similar to life)	R0620	
- Best Estimate - Health (similar to life)	R0630	
- Risk margin - Health (similar to life)	R0640	
- Technical provisions - Life (excluding health and index-linked and unit-linked)	R0650	666,054
- TP calculated as a whole - Life (excl health, index-linked and unit-linked)	R0660	
- Best Estimate - Life (excl health, index-linked and unit-linked)	R0670	613,351
- Risk margin - Life (excl health, index-linked and unit-linked)	R0680	52,703
Technical provisions - Index-linked and unit-linked	R0690	
- TP calculated as a whole - Index-linked and unit-linked	R0700	
- Best Estimate - Index-linked and unit-linked	R0710	
- Risk margin - Index-linked and unit-linked	R0720	
Contingent liabilities	R0740	
Provisions other than technical provisions	R0750	15,127
Pension benefit obligations	R0760	
Deposits from reinsurers	R0770	3,164,818
Deferred tax liabilities	R0780	15,237
Derivatives	R0790	133,573
Debts owed to credit institutions	R0800	298,821
Financial liabilities other than debts owed to credit institutions	R0810	9,381
Insurance & intermediaries payables	R0820	93,745
Reinsurance payables	R0830	3,141
Payables (trade, not insurance)	R0840	280,019
Subordinated liabilities	R0850	275,941
- Subordinated liabilities not in BOF	R0860	
- Subordinated liabilities in BOF	R0870	275,941
Any other liabilities, not elsewhere shown	R0880	304,719
Total liabilities	R0900	10,581,960
Excess of assets over liabilities	R1000	2,071,672

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Premiums, claims and expenses by line of business

Amounts in 000s

		Line of Business for: life insurance obligations						Life reinsurance obligations		
		Health [accepted non-proportional reinsurance]	Insurance with profit participation	Unit-linked or index-linked insurance	Other life insurance	Annuities stemming from non-life insurance contracts and relating to health insurance obligations	Annuities stemming from non-life insurance contracts and relating to insurance obligations other than health insurance	Health reinsurance	Life reinsurance	Total
		C0210	C0220	C0230	C0240	C0250	C0260	C0270	C0280	C0300
Premiums written										
Gross - Direct Business	R1410									
Reinsurers' share	R1420									
Net	R1500									
Premiums earned										
Gross - Direct Business	R1510									
Reinsurers' share	R1520									
Net	R1600									
Claims incurred										
Gross - Direct Business	R1610						-77,144			-77,144
Reinsurers' share	R1620						-68,172			-68,172
Net	R1700						-8,972			-8,972
Changes in other technical provisions										
Gross - Direct Business	R1710									
Reinsurers' share	R1720									
Net	R1800									
Expenses incurred	R1900									
Other expenses	R2500									
Total expenses	R2600									

		Line of Business for: non-life insurance and reinsurance obligations (direct business and accepted proportional reinsurance)											
		Medical expense insurance [direct business]	Income protection insurance [direct business]	Workers' compensation insurance [direct business]	Motor vehicle liability insurance [direct business]	Other motor insurance [direct business]	Marine, aviation and transport insurance [direct business]	Fire and other damage to property insurance [direct business]	General liability insurance [direct business]	Credit and suretyship insurance [direct business]	Legal expenses insurance [direct business]	Assistance [direct business]	Miscellaneous financial loss [direct business]
		C0010	C0020	C0030	C0040	C0050	C0060	C0070	C0080	C0090	C0100	C0110	C0120
Premiums written													
Gross - Direct Business	R0110	555,861	83,343		1,550,000	387,500	31,811	2,017,476	490,492	27,858		47,923	54,803
Gross - Proportional reinsurance accepted	R0120						13,230	147,952	10,462	2,355			
Gross - Non-proportional reinsurance accepted	R0130												
Reinsurers' share	R0140	277,931	43,254		788,613	197,153	23,361	1,210,275	258,458	19,022		23,961	28,801
Net	R0200	277,931	40,089		761,387	190,347	21,680	955,154	242,496	11,191		23,961	26,002
Premiums earned													
Gross - Direct Business	R0210	568,903	83,803		1,556,523	389,131	25,322	1,951,205	464,374	26,968		47,304	54,646
Gross - Proportional reinsurance accepted	R0220						13,230	145,750	10,738	2,355			
Gross - Non-proportional reinsurance accepted	R0230												
Reinsurers' share	R0240	284,452	43,431		792,036	198,009	20,029	1,169,887	245,124	18,412		23,652	28,245
Net	R0300	284,452	40,372		764,487	191,122	18,523	927,067	229,988	10,911		23,652	26,402
Claims incurred													
Gross - Direct Business	R0310	404,329	42,035		885,592	266,898	23,771	932,650	278,858	9,362		39,649	21,555
Gross - Proportional reinsurance accepted	R0320				0	0	10,245	72,480	4,597	1,007			
Gross - Non-proportional reinsurance accepted	R0330												
Reinsurers' share	R0340	192,117	21,178		472,617	123,154	17,909	524,192	151,983	6,782		19,825	10,843
Net	R0400	212,212	20,857		412,975	143,744	16,108	480,938	131,472	3,588		19,825	10,712
Changes in other technical provisions													
Gross - Direct Business	R0410		-1,188										-1,188
Gross - Proportional reinsurance accepted	R0420												
Gross - Non-proportional reinsurance accepted	R0430												
Reinsurers' share	R0440		594										594
Net	R0500		-1,782										-1,782
Expenses incurred		R0550	57,998	20,087	165,670	41,417	7,557	481,170	78,018	4,622		5,295	16,158
Other expenses		R1200											
Total expenses		R1300											

Line of Business for: accepted non proportional reinsurance					
	Non-proportional health reinsurance	Non-proportional casualty reinsurance	Non-proportional marine, aviation and transport reinsurance	Non-proportional property reinsurance	Total
	C0130	C0140	C0150	C0160	C0200
Premiums written					
Gross - Direct Business	R0110				5,247,067
Gross - Proportional reinsurance accepted	R0120				173,998
Gross - Non-proportional reinsurance accepted	R0130				
Reinsurers' share	R0140				2,870,828
Net	R0200				2,550,237
Premiums earned					
Gross - Direct Business	R0210				5,168,180
Gross - Proportional reinsurance accepted	R0220				172,073
Gross - Non-proportional reinsurance accepted	R0230				
Reinsurers' share	R0240				2,823,276
Net	R0300				2,516,976
Claims incurred					
Gross - Direct Business	R0310				2,904,699
Gross - Proportional reinsurance accepted	R0320				88,329
Gross - Non-proportional reinsurance accepted	R0330				
Reinsurers' share	R0340				1,540,598
Net	R0400				1,452,430
Changes in other technical provisions					
Gross - Direct Business	R0410				-2,376
Gross - Proportional reinsurance accepted	R0420				
Gross - Non-proportional reinsurance accepted	R0430				
Reinsurers' share	R0440				1,188
Net	R0500				-3,565
Expenses incurred	R0550				877,992
Other expenses	R1200				34,038
Total expenses	R1300				912,030

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Premiums, claims and expenses by Country

Amounts in 000s

		Home Country	Top 5 countries (by amount of gross premium written) - life obligations					Total Top 5 and home country
		C0150	C0160	C0170	C0180	C0190	C0200	C0210
	R1400							
		C0220	C0230	C0240	C0250	C0260	C0270	C0280
Premiums written								
Gross	R1410							0
Reinsurers' share	R1420							0
Net	R1500							0
Premiums earned								
Gross	R1510							0
Reinsurers' share	R1520							0
Net	R1600							0
Claims incurred								
Gross	R1610	-77,144						-77,144
Reinsurers' share	R1620	-68,172						-68,172
Net	R1700	-8,972						-8,972
Changes in other technical provisions								
Gross	R1710							0
Reinsurers' share	R1720							0
Net	R1800							0
Expenses incurred	R1900							0
Other expenses	R2500							
Total expenses	R2600							0

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Premiums, claims and expenses by Country

Amounts in 000s

		Home Country	Top 5 countries (by amount of gross premium written) - non-life obligations						Total Top 5 and home country
		C0010	C0020	C0030	C0040	C0050	C0060	C0070	
R0010		IE	ES	NL	DE	FR			
		C0080	C0090	C0100	C0110	C0120	C0130	C0080	
Premiums written									
Gross - Direct Business	R0110	4,682,924	460,480	27,810	13,559	12,243	4,360	5,201,375	
Gross - Proportional reinsurance accepted	R0120	173,998						173,998	
Gross - Non-proportional reinsurance accepted	R0130							0	
Reinsurers' share	R0140	2,572,623	240,492	14,269	7,610	7,815	2,834	2,845,643	
Net	R0200	2,284,299	219,988	13,542	5,949	4,427	1,526	2,529,730	
Premiums earned									
Gross - Direct Business	R0210	4,590,771	466,676	28,004	13,362	11,839	4,294	5,114,946	
Gross - Proportional reinsurance accepted	R0220	172,073						172,073	
Gross - Non-proportional reinsurance accepted	R0230							0	
Reinsurers' share	R0240	2,523,475	243,581	14,196	7,479	7,547	2,725	2,799,004	
Net	R0300	2,239,368	223,094	13,808	5,883	4,293	1,569	2,488,015	
Claims incurred									
Gross - Direct Business	R0310	2,545,498	294,647	11,497	6,148	5,895	5,392	2,869,078	
Gross - Proportional reinsurance accepted	R0320	88,396			1	1	0	88,397	
Gross - Non-proportional reinsurance accepted	R0330							0	
Reinsurers' share	R0340	1,344,077	160,151	5,850	3,394	3,804	3,415	1,520,691	
Net	R0400	1,289,817	134,496	5,647	2,755	2,091	1,977	1,436,783	
Changes in other technical provisions									
Gross - Direct Business	R0410	-2,376						-2,376	
Gross - Proportional reinsurance accepted	R0420							0	
Gross - Non-proportional reinsurance accepted	R0430							0	
Reinsurers' share	R0440	1,188						1,188	
Net	R0500	-3,565						-3,565	
Expenses incurred	R0550	776,265	73,701	7,825	2,730	2,264	835	863,620	
Other expenses	R1200							34,038	
Total expenses	R1300							897,658	

	Insurance with profit participation	Unit-linked or index-linked insurance		Other life insurance			Annuities stemming from non-life insurance contracts and relating to insurance obligations other than health insurance	Accepted reinsurance	Total (Life other than health insurance, incl. Unit-Linked)	
		Contracts without options and guarantees	Contracts with options or guarantees		Contracts without options and guarantees	Contracts with options or guarantees				
	C0020	C0030	C0040	C0050	C0060	C0070	C0080	C0090	C0100	C0150
Technical provisions calculated as a whole	R0010									
Total Recoverables from reinsurance/SPV and Finite Re after the adjustment for expected losses due to counterparty default associated to TP as a whole	R0020									
Technical provisions calculated as a sum of BE and RM										
Best Estimate										
Gross Best Estimate	R0030							613,081	270	613,351
Total Recoverables from reinsurance and SPV after the adjustment for expected losses due to counterparty default	R0080							546,904		546,904
Best estimate minus recoverables from reinsurance and SPV - Total	R0090							66,177	270	66,447
Risk Margin	R0100							52,597	105	52,703
Amount of the transitional on Technical Provisions										
Technical Provisions calculated as a whole	R0110									
Best estimate	R0120									
Risk margin	R0130									
Technical provisions - Total	R0200							665,679	375	666,054

	Health [accepted non-proportional reinsurance]			Annuities stemming from non-life insurance contracts and relating to health insurance only	Health reinsurance	Total (Health similar to life insurance)
	Contracts without options and guarantees	Contracts with options or guarantees				
	C0160	C0170	C0180	C0190	C0200	C0210
Technical provisions calculated as a whole	R0010					
Total Recoverables from reinsurance/SPV and Finite Re after the adjustment for expected losses due to counterparty default associated to TP as a whole	R0020					
Technical provisions calculated as a sum of BE and RM						
Best Estimate						
Gross Best Estimate	R0030					
Total Recoverables from reinsurance and SPV after the adjustment for expected losses due to counterparty default	R0080					
Best estimate minus recoverables from reinsurance and SPV - Total	R0090					
Risk Margin	R0100					
Amount of the transitional on Technical Provisions						
Technical Provisions calculated as a whole	R0110					
Best estimate	R0120					
Risk margin	R0130					
Technical provisions - Total	R0200					

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Non-Life Technical Provisions

Amounts in 000s

Technical provisions calculated as a whole

Total recoverable from reinsurance/SPV and Finite Re after the adjustment for expected losses due to counterparty default associated to TP as a whole

Technical provisions calculated as a sum of BE and RM

Best estimate

Premium provisions

Gross

Total recoverable from reinsurance/SPV and Finite Re after the adjustment for expected losses due to counterparty default

Net Best Estimate of Premium Provisions

Claims provisions

Gross

Total recoverable from reinsurance/SPV and Finite Re after the adjustment for expected losses due to counterparty default

Net Best Estimate of Claims Provisions

Total Best estimate - Gross

Total Best estimate - Net

Risk margin

Amount of the transitional on Technical Provisions

Technical Provisions calculated as a whole

Best estimate

Risk margin

Technical provisions - Total

Technical provisions - Total

Recoverable from reinsurance contract/SPV and Finite Re after the adjustment for expected losses due to counterparty default - Total

Technical provisions minus recoverables from reinsurance/SPV and Finite Re - Total

	Medical expense insurance [direct business]	Income protection insurance [direct business]	Workers' compensation insurance [direct business]	Motor vehicle liability insurance [direct business]	Other motor insurance [direct business]	Marine, aviation and transport insurance [direct business]	Fire and other damage to property insurance [direct business]	General liability insurance [direct business]	Credit and suretyship insurance [direct business]	Legal expenses insurance [direct business]	Assistance [direct business]	Miscellaneous financial loss [direct business]
	C0020	C0030	C0040	C0050	C0060	C0070	C0080	C0090	C0100	C0110	C0120	C0130
R0010												
R0050												
R0060	16,070	3,615		268,188	112,465	3,801	-55,316	48,556	445		10,444	-3,179
R0140	87,800	7,446		268,415	113,777	5,125	193,334	64,349	2,779		4,590	5,565
R0150	-71,730	-3,830		-227	-1,312	-1,324	-248,650	-15,793	-2,334		5,854	-8,744
R0160	48,130	21,477		2,095,178	62,239	49,501	581,077	1,822,230	16,976		17,834	28,690
R0240	24,069	11,785		1,042,627	37,221	32,235	361,999	1,296,100	10,089		9,035	14,720
R0250	24,061	9,692		1,052,551	25,018	17,266	219,077	526,130	6,888		8,799	13,970
R0260	64,199	25,092		2,363,366	174,704	53,303	525,761	1,870,785	17,421		28,278	25,511
R0270	-47,669	5,862		1,052,324	23,706	15,942	-29,572	510,337	4,554		14,654	5,226
R0280	3,137	332		72,878	4,127	285	16,631	74,071	228		173	256
R0290												
R0300												
R0310												
R0320	67,336	25,425		2,436,244	178,831	53,587	542,392	1,944,856	17,649		28,451	25,767
R0330	111,869	19,230		1,311,042	150,998	37,360	555,333	1,360,449	12,868		13,625	20,285
R0340	-44,532	6,194		1,125,202	27,833	16,227	-12,942	584,408	4,782		14,826	5,482

Technical provisions calculated as a whole

Total recoverable from reinsurance/SPV and Finite Re after the adjustment for expected losses due to counterparty default associated to TP as a whole

Technical provisions calculated as a sum of BE and RM

Best estimate

Premium provisions

Gross

Total recoverable from reinsurance/SPV and Finite Re after the adjustment for expected losses due to counterparty default

Net Best Estimate of Premium Provisions

Claims provisions

Gross

Total recoverable from reinsurance/SPV and Finite Re after the adjustment for expected losses due to counterparty default

Net Best Estimate of Claims Provisions

Total Best estimate - Gross

Total Best estimate - Net

Risk margin

Amount of the transitional on Technical Provisions

Technical Provisions calculated as a whole

Best estimate

Risk margin

Technical provisions - Total

Technical provisions - Total

Recoverable from reinsurance contract/SPV and Finite Re after the adjustment for expected losses due to counterparty default - Total

Technical provisions minus recoverables from reinsurance/SPV and Finite Re - Total

	Accepted Health [accepted non-proportional reinsurance]	non-proportional Casualty [accepted non-proportional reinsurance]	reinsurance Marine, aviation, transport [accepted non-proportional reinsurance]	Property [accepted non-proportional reinsurance]	Total Non-Life obligation
	C0140	C0150	C0160	C0170	C0180
R0010					
R0050					
R0060					405,089
R0140					753,179
R0150					-348,090
R0160		808	2		4,744,142
R0240		404	1		2,840,284
R0250		404	1		1,903,858
R0260		808	2		5,149,231
R0270		404	1		1,555,768
R0280		35	0		172,152
R0290					
R0300					
R0310					
R0320		843	2		5,321,383
R0330		404	1		3,593,463
R0340		439	1		1,727,920

Total Non-Life Business

Accident year / Underwriting year	Z0020	AY
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Gross Claims Paid (non-cumulative)
(absolute amount)

		Development Year										In Current year	Sum of years (cumulative)
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10&+	
		C0010	C0020	C0030	C0040	C0050	C0060	C0070	C0080	C0090	C0100	C0110	
Prior	R0100											132,053	R0100 132,053 19,218,643
R0160	R0160	1,672,896	844,031	301,101	175,692	145,623	77,397	46,206	20,293	12,844	10,748		R0160 10,748 3,306,834
R0170	R0170	1,379,958	901,340	245,739	181,252	124,239	84,982	41,192	6,524	7,148			R0170 7,148 2,972,373
R0180	R0180	1,325,167	693,853	243,671	168,724	153,694	79,095	50,426	33,795				R0180 33,795 2,748,425
R0190	R0190	1,467,183	703,727	263,903	193,660	149,506	104,068	47,099					R0190 47,099 2,929,145
R0200	R0200	1,415,364	644,323	229,270	162,057	147,162	122,920						R0200 122,920 2,721,096
R0210	R0210	1,440,626	616,080	217,489	168,846	174,917							R0210 174,917 2,617,958
R0220	R0220	1,462,440	739,062	279,530	182,899								R0220 182,899 2,663,931
R0230	R0230	1,523,427	689,942	235,932									R0230 235,932 2,449,301
R0240	R0240	1,572,508	646,631										R0240 646,631 2,219,139
R0250	R0250	1,714,008											R0250 1,714,008 1,714,008
													Total R0260 3,308,150 45,560,853

Gross undiscounted Best Estimate Claims Provisions
(absolute amount)

		Development Year											Year end (discounted data)		
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10&+			
		C0200	C0210	C0220	C0230	C0240	C0250	C0260	C0270	C0280	C0290	C0300	C0360		
Prior	R0100											1,166,026	R0100	965,005	
	R0160								12,159	-125	18,521		R0160	17,974	
	R0170							82,944	60,814	45,774			R0170	44,468	
	R0180						157,729	114,534	60,026				R0180	58,277	
	R0190					329,738	187,662	114,181					R0190	111,918	
	R0200				467,281	290,666	138,882						R0200	135,929	
	R0210			635,064	457,075	252,425							R0210	247,137	
	R0220		972,336	642,633	388,172								R0220	380,462	
	R0230	1,564,314	940,375	637,097									R0230	622,996	
	R0240	1,448,209	775,741										R0240	757,049	
	R0250	1,433,448											R0250	1,402,929	
													Total	R0260	4,744,142

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Impact of long term guarantees and transitional measures

Amounts in 000s

	Amount with LG measures and transitionals	Impact of transitional on technical provisions	Impact of transitional on interest rate	Impact of volatility adjustment set to zero	Impact of matching adjustment set to zero
	C0010	C0030	C0050	C0070	C0090
Technical Provisions	R0010	5,987,437		99,331	
Basic Own Funds	R0020	1,988,985		-19,880	
Eligible own funds to meet Solvency Capital Requirement	R0050	1,988,985	0	-19,880	0
Solvency Capital Requirement	R0090	1,258,016		46,000	
Eligible own funds to meet Minimum Capital Requirement	R0100	1,710,110	0	-19,680	0
Minimum Capital Requirement	R0110	368,416		1,000	

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Own Funds

Amounts in 000s

Basic own funds before deduction for participations in other financial sector as foreseen in article 68 of Delegated Regulation 2015/35

		Total	Tier 1 Unrestricted	Tier 1 Restricted	Tier 2	Tier 3
		C0010	C0020	C0030	C0040	C0050
Ordinary share capital (gross of own shares)	R0010	203,640	203,640			
Share premium account related to ordinary share capital	R0030					
Initial funds, members' contributions or the equivalent basic own fund item for mutual and mutual-type undertakings	R0040					
Subordinated mutual member accounts	R0050					
Surplus funds	R0070					
Preference shares	R0090					
Share premium account related to preference shares	R0110					
Reconciliation reserve	R0130	1,432,786	1,432,786			
Subordinated liabilities	R0140	275,941			275,941	
An amount equal to the value of net deferred tax assets	R0160	76,617				76,617
Other own fund items approved by the supervisory authority as basic own funds not specified above	R0180					

Own funds from the financial statements that should not be represented by the reconciliation reserve and do not meet the criteria to be classified as Solvency II own funds

Own funds from the financial statements that should not be represented by the reconciliation reserve and do not meet the criteria to be classified as Solvency II own funds

Deductions

Deductions for participations in financial and credit institutions	R0230					
Total basic own funds after deductions	R0290	1,988,985	1,636,426		275,941	76,617

Ancillary own funds

Unpaid and uncalled ordinary share capital callable on demand	R0300					
Unpaid and uncalled initial funds, members' contributions or the equivalent basic own fund item for mutual and mutual-type undertakings, callable on demand	R0310					
Unpaid and uncalled preference shares callable on demand	R0320					
A legally binding commitment to subscribe and pay for subordinated liabilities on demand	R0330					
Letters of credit and guarantees under Article 96(2) of the Directive 2009/138/EC	R0340					
Letters of credit and guarantees other than under Article 96(2) of the Directive 2009/138/EC	R0350					
Supplementary members calls under first subparagraph of Article 96(3) of the Directive 2009/138/EC	R0360					
Supplementary members calls other than under first subparagraph of Article 96(3) of the Directive 2009/138/EC	R0370					
Other ancillary own funds	R0390					
Total ancillary own funds - Solo	R0400					

Available and eligible own funds

Total available own funds to meet the SCR	R0500	1,988,985	1,636,426		275,941	76,617
Total available own funds to meet the MCR	R0510	1,912,368	1,636,426		275,941	
Total eligible own funds to meet the SCR	R0540	1,988,985	1,636,426		275,941	76,617
Total eligible own funds to meet the MCR	R0550	1,710,110	1,636,426		73,683	
SCR	R0580	1,258,016				
MCR	R0600	368,416				
Ratio of eligible own funds to SCR	R0620	1.5810				
Ratio of eligible own funds to MCR	R0640	4.6418				

C0060

Reconciliation Reserve

Excess of assets over liabilities	R0700	2,071,672
Own shares (held directly and indirectly)	R0710	
Foreseeable dividends, distributions and charges	R0720	358,629
Other basic own fund items	R0730	280,257
Adjustment for restricted own fund items in respect of matching adjustment portfolios and ring fenced funds	R0740	
Reconciliation reserve	R0760	1,432,786

Expected profits

Expected profits included in future premiums (EPIFP) - Life business	R0770	
Expected profits included in future premiums (EPIFP) - Non-life business	R0780	19,694
Total expected profits included in future premiums (EPIFP)	R0790	19,694

Appendix F.1.7

S.25.02.21

Solvency Capital Requirement - For undertakings using the standard formula and partial internal mod

Amounts in 000s

Unique number of component	Component Description
C0010	C0020
100000	Market Risk
200000	Counterparty Risk
300000	Life underwriting risk
400000	Health underwriting risk
500000	Non-life underwriting risk
701000	Operational risk
801000	Other risks
802000	Loss-absorbing capacity of technical provisions
803000	Loss-absorbing capacity of deferred tax
804000	Other adjustments

Calculation of the Solvency Capital Requirement	Amount modelled	USP	Simplifications
C0030	C0070	C0090	C0120
783,861	746,667		None
102,830	92,343		
39,679		None	None
837,937	837,937	None	None
370,339	355,363		
-132,610	-132,610		
46,405	46,405		

Calculation of Solvency Capital Requirement

Total undiversified components	R0110	2,048,441
Diversification	R0060	-790,425
Capital requirement for business operated in accordance with Art. 4 of Directive 2003/41/EC	R0160	
Solvency Capital Requirement excluding capital add-on	R0200	1,258,016
Capital add-ons already set	R0210	
Solvency capital requirement	R0220	1,258,016
Other information on SCR		
Amount/Estimate of the overall loss-absorbing capacity of technical provisions	R0300	
Amount/Estimate of the overall loss-absorbing capacity of deferred taxes	R0310	-132,610
Capital requirement for duration-based equity risk sub-module	R0400	
Total amount of Notional Solvency Capital Requirements for remaining part	R0410	1,258,016
Total amount of Notional Solvency Capital Requirements for ring fenced funds	R0420	
Total amount of Notional Solvency Capital Requirements for matching adjustment portfolios	R0430	
Diversification effects due to RFF nSCR aggregation for article 304	R0440	

Appendix F.1.8

S.28.01.01

Minimum Capital Requirement - Only life or only non-life insurance or reinsurance activity

Amounts in 000s

Linear formula component for non-life insurance and reinsurance obligations

MCRNL Result	R0010	C0010	
		366,988	
		Net (of reinsurance/SPV) best estimate and TP calculated as a whole	Net (of reinsurance) written premiums in the last 12 months
		C0020	C0030
Medical expense insurance and proportional reinsurance	R0020		277,931
Income protection insurance and proportional reinsurance	R0030	5,917	40,089
Workers' compensation insurance and proportional reinsurance	R0040		
Motor vehicle liability insurance and proportional reinsurance	R0050	1,055,415	762,792
Other motor insurance and proportional reinsurance	R0060	24,124	190,698
Marine, aviation and transport insurance and proportional reinsurance	R0070	16,013	21,680
Fire and other damage to property insurance and proportional reinsurance	R0080		955,989
General liability insurance and proportional reinsurance	R0090	513,908	242,968
Credit and suretyship insurance and proportional reinsurance	R0100	4,600	11,191
Legal expenses insurance and proportional reinsurance	R0110		
Assistance and proportional reinsurance	R0120	14,691	23,961
Miscellaneous financial loss insurance and proportional reinsurance	R0130	5,258	26,002
Non-proportional health reinsurance	R0140		
Non-proportional casualty reinsurance	R0150	404	
Non-proportional marine, aviation and transport reinsurance	R0160	1	
Non-proportional property reinsurance	R0170		

Linear formula component for life insurance and reinsurance obligations

MCRL Result	R0200	C0040			
		1,428			

Overall MCR calculation

		C0070	
Linear MCR	R0300	368,416	
SCR	R0310	1,258,016	
MCR cap	R0320	566,107	
MCR floor	R0330	314,504	
Combined MCR	R0340	368,416	
Absolute floor of the MCR	R0350	3,288	
		C0070	
Minimum Capital Requirement	R0400	368,416	

F.2 Glossary of Abbreviations and Definitions

A glossary explaining the key terms used in this report is available on www.aviva.com/glossary.

F.3 Directors' Statement

We acknowledge our responsibility for preparing the Solvency and Financial Condition Report of Aviva Insurance Limited at 31 December 2018 in all material respects in accordance with the PRA Rules and the Solvency II Regulations.

The Board is satisfied that to the best of its knowledge and belief:

(a) throughout the financial year to 31 December 2018, the Company has complied in all material respects with the requirements of the PRA rules and Solvency II Regulations as applicable to the Company; and

(b) it is reasonable to believe that in respect of the period from 31 December 2018 to the date of the publication of the SFCR, the Company has continued so to comply and that it will continue so to comply for the remainder of the financial year to 31 December 2019.

J M Windsor

Director

16 April 2019

F.4 Auditors Report

Report of the external independent auditors to the Directors of Aviva Insurance Limited ('the Company') pursuant to Rule 4.1 (2) of the External Audit Part of the PRA Rulebook applicable to Solvency II firms

Report on the Audit of the relevant elements of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report

Opinion

Except as stated below, we have audited the following documents prepared by the Company as at 31 December 2018:

- The 'Valuation for solvency purposes' and 'Capital Management' sections of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report of the Company as at 31 December 2018, (**the Narrative Disclosures subject to audit**); and
- Company templates S.02.01.02, S.12.01.02, S.17.01.02, S.22.01.21, S.23.01.01 and S.28.01.01 (**the Templates subject to audit**).

The Narrative Disclosures subject to audit and the Templates subject to audit are collectively referred to as the '**relevant elements of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report**'.

We are not required to audit, nor have we audited, and as a consequence do not express an opinion on the **Other Information** which comprises:

- Information contained within the relevant elements of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report set out above which is, or derives from the Solvency Capital Requirement, as identified in the Appendix to this report;
- The 'Summary', 'Business and performance', 'System of governance' and 'Risk profile' elements of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report;
- Company templates S.05.01.02, S.05.02.01, S.19.01.21 and S.25.02.21;
- The written acknowledgement by management of their responsibilities, including for the preparation of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report (**'Directors' Statement'**).

To the extent the information subject to audit in the relevant elements of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report includes amounts that are totals, sub-totals or calculations derived from the Other Information, we have relied without verification on the Other Information.

In our opinion, the information subject to audit in the relevant elements of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report of the Company as at 31 December 2018 is prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the PRA Rules and Solvency II regulations on which they are based, as supplemented by supervisory approvals.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) including ISA (UK) 800 and ISA (UK) 805, and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the relevant elements of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report* section of our report. We

are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard as applied to public interest entities, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report is not appropriate; or
- the directors have not disclosed in the Solvency and Financial Condition Report any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the Company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the Solvency and Financial Condition Report is authorised for issue.

We have nothing to report in respect of the above matters.

However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this statement is not a guarantee as to the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. For example, the terms on which the United Kingdom may withdraw from the European Union are not clear, and it is difficult to evaluate all of the potential implications on the Company's trade, customers, suppliers and the wider economy.

Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to the 'Valuation for solvency purposes' and Capital Management sections of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report, which describe the basis of accounting. The Solvency and Financial Condition Report is prepared in compliance with the financial reporting provisions of the PRA Rules and Solvency II regulations, and therefore in accordance with a special purpose financial reporting framework. The Solvency and Financial Condition Report is required to be published, and intended users include but are not limited to the Prudential Regulation Authority. As a result, the Solvency and Financial Condition Report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Other Information

The Directors are responsible for the Other Information.

Our opinion on the relevant elements of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report does not cover the Other Information and we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report, our responsibility is to read the Other Information and, in doing so, consider whether the Other Information is materially inconsistent with the relevant elements of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report, or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the relevant elements of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report or a material misstatement of the Other Information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this Other Information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of Directors for the Solvency and Financial Condition Report

The Directors are responsible for the preparation of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the PRA rules and Solvency II regulations which have been supplemented by the approvals made by the PRA under the PRA Rules and Solvency II regulations on which they are based, as detailed below:

- Approval to use the volatility adjustment in the calculation of technical provisions; and
- Approval to use a partial internal model and the approval of subsequent major changes thereto.

The Directors are also responsible for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a Solvency and Financial Condition Report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the relevant elements of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report

It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the information subject to audit in the relevant elements of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report is prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with financial reporting provisions of the PRA Rules and Solvency II regulations on which they are based.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the relevant elements of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but it is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the decision making or the judgement of the users taken on the basis of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditors' report.

This report, including the opinion, has been prepared for the Board of Directors of the Company in accordance with External Audit rule 2.1 of the Solvency II firms Sector of the PRA Rulebook and for no other purpose. We do not, in providing this report, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other party save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

Other Matter

The Company has authority to calculate its Solvency Capital Requirement using a partial internal model ("the Model") approved by the Prudential Regulation Authority in accordance with the Solvency II Regulations. In forming our opinion (and in accordance with PRA Rules), we are not required to audit the inputs to, design of, operating effectiveness of and outputs from the Model, or whether the Model is being applied in accordance with the Company's application or approval order.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

In accordance with Rule 4.1 (3) of the External Audit Part of the PRA Rulebook for Solvency II firms we are also required to consider whether the Other Information is materially inconsistent with our knowledge obtained in the audit of the Company's statutory financial

statements. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Accountants

London

16 April 2019

Appendix – relevant elements of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report that are not subject to audit

The relevant elements of the Solvency and Financial Condition Report that are not subject to audit comprise:

- The following elements of template S.02.01.02:
 - Row R0550: Technical provisions - non-life (excluding health) - risk margin
 - Row R0590: Technical provisions - health (similar to non-life) - risk margin
 - Row R0640: Technical provisions - health (similar to life) - risk margin
 - Row R0680: Technical provisions - life (excluding health and index-linked and unit-linked) - risk margin
 - Row R0720: Technical provisions - Index-linked and unit-linked - risk margin
- The following elements of template S.12.01.02
 - Row R0100: Technical provisions calculated as a sum of BE and RM - Risk margin
- The following elements of template S.17.01.02
 - Row R0280: Technical provisions calculated as a sum of BE and RM - Risk margin
- The following elements of template S.22.01.21
 - Row R0010 – Technical provisions
 - Row R0090 – Solvency Capital Requirement
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- The following elements of template S.23.01.01
 - Row R0580: SCR
 - Row R0740: Adjustment for restricted own fund items in respect of matching adjustment portfolios and ring fenced funds
- The following elements of Company template S.28.01.01
 - Row R0310: SCR
- Elements of the Narrative Disclosures subject to audit identified as 'unaudited'.