

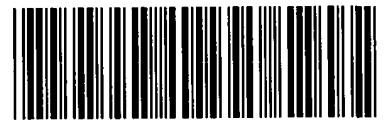
Registered number: 02466320

**COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

FRIDAY



\*AAZJOEGH\*

A16

11/03/2022

#303

COMPANIES HOUSE

## **COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

### **COMPANY INFORMATION**

<b>Directors</b>	N Oldfield A Jones R Banks T Franklin P Ali
<b>Company secretary</b>	L K Botha, J Dolbear (resigned 23/07/2021)
<b>Registered number</b>	02466320
<b>Registered office</b>	Computershare Mortgage Services Limited The Pavilions Bridgwater Road Bristol BS13 8AE
<b>Independent auditors</b>	PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors 2 Glass Wharf Bristol BS2 0FR

# **COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

## **CONTENTS**

	<b>Pages</b>
<b>Strategic Report</b>	<b>1 - 5</b>
<b>Directors' Report</b>	<b>6 - 9</b>
<b>Independent Auditors' Report</b>	<b>10 - 12</b>
<b>Statement of Comprehensive Income</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Balance Sheet</b>	<b>14 - 15</b>
<b>Statement of Changes in Equity</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Notes to the Financial Statements</b>	<b>17 - 33</b>

## COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED

### STRATEGIC REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

#### Introduction

Computershare Mortgage Services Limited ("CMS") is a leading provider of UK third party mortgage administration services to the financial services sector.

CMS forms part of the Loan Services division within the Computershare group – Computershare Loan Services ("CLS"). CLS is the market leader in the UK third party mortgage administration services market, with more than 30 years' experience of working with some of the world's largest financial institutions.

#### Business review

The directors of CMS report a reduction in the operating loss from £21,392 thousand for the year ended 30 June 2020 to a loss of £13,772 thousand for the year ended 30 June 2021. The fall in the operating loss reflects a decrease in costs associated with the migration of assets to CLS's standard mortgage administration platform and cost savings resulting from the CLS UK Cost Out programme partly offset by a reduction in the revenue related to the Fixed Fee contract and a reduction in revenue for providing Payment Protection Insurance and project support to clients.

The year to 30 June 2021 saw some key developments in the market including:

- The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on mortgage customers with clients requiring increased support including offering payment holidays.
- After a steep fall in UK gross mortgage advances at the end of last financial year and into the first half of the current year volumes have returned to pre pandemic levels in the second half of the year.
- Challenger banks continuing to struggle to build market share.

CMS's management team has continued to drive down underlying costs (excluding costs associated with the migration of assets) in key areas, notably as a result of the CLS UK Cost Out programme. Following the completion of the migration of assets to CLS's standard mortgage administration platform the legacy platform was decommissioned during the year. We have continued to progress our Cost Out programme to size the business appropriately, given the headwinds in the UK mortgage origination market that are expected to persist for some time.

The business currently operates from Crossflatts, Doxford, Skipton and Derry. As part of the review of future property requirements a decision was made during the year to consolidate the two Yorkshire sites into Skipton and vacate Crossflatts. CMS is recharged for occupancy of the sites by other Computershare Group companies.

## **COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

### **STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

#### **Principal risks and uncertainties**

##### **Regulatory environment**

The regulatory environment in which CMS operates continues to be challenging and CMS has systems and controls in place to ensure it effectively manages its regulatory and compliance risks including regulatory change.

##### **Market conditions**

The FCA reported that the value of gross mortgage advances in the 12 months to 30 June 2021 were 21% higher than the comparable prior year period. The value of gross mortgage advances in 2021 Q2 at £89.0bn was 117% higher than the same period last year and was the highest since 2008 Q3. The impact of the UK leaving the EU Single Market and Customs Union with EU law no longer applying had no material direct financial impact due to the composition of the Company's supplier, cost base and client revenue streams.

##### **Operational risk and operational losses**

The primary risk type that CMS is exposed to is Operational Risk and as part of its robust risk management framework, CMS has controls and processes in place to manage operational risk.

Provisions are made for specific operational loss cases as and when the necessary criteria are met (in accordance with IAS 37). Details of the Operational Losses provision can be found in note [18].

##### **Credit risk**

The Company is exposed to credit risk to the extent that that counterparties will be unable to pay amounts in full when they fall due and makes provision for Impairment as set out in note [2.11].

Management carefully manages its exposure to credit risk through close client relationships and regular account monitoring. The carrying amount of financial assets net of impairment represents the maximum credit exposure.

At no point in a mortgage's lifespan is the Company exposed to any mortgage underwriting credit risk.

##### **Liquidity risk**

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Company at all times maintains adequate cash facilities in order to meet all its commitments as and when they fall due. The directors believe they have minimal exposure to liquidity risk.

##### **Foreign currency risk**

The Company is not exposed to foreign exchange risk.

##### **Brexit**

The impact of the UK leaving the EU Single Market and Customs Union with EU law no longer applying had no material direct financial impact due to the composition of the Company's supplier, cost base and client revenue streams. The Computershare Group operates in many jurisdictions including in the UK, EU and elsewhere, so the Group is well placed to be able to adapt to any future changes imposed.

##### **COVID-19**

Computershare Limited, the ultimate controlling party, has published financial results for the year ended 30 June 2021, including a COVID-19 update. Trading results were in line with revised market guidance. Over 90% of the CMS's workforce moved to working from home, deploying technology and security protocols to ensure no

## COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED

### STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

interruption of services to clients and clients' customers.

Further details may be found at Computershare's web site [www.computershare.com](http://www.computershare.com).

The Company earns revenue through the provision of third-party mortgage administration services. Despite the impact of COVID-19 on the wider economy, future revenue is not expected to be materially impacted.

The directors of the Company take operational resilience seriously and are doing everything possible to ensure the safety of staff and others in line with health and safety guidelines as well as preventing any material effect on our services. We remain focused on strengthening our core business lines and working to continue to deliver great outcomes for customers in what are extremely challenging conditions.

#### Financial key performance indicators

##### Financial performance

The results for the year ended 30 June 2021 are shown in the Statement of Comprehensive Income on page [13], and the notes thereto. CMS made an operating loss of £13,772 thousand (2020: loss of £21,392 thousand) for the year ended 30 June 2021.

The fall in the operating loss reflects a decrease in costs associated with the migration of assets to CLS's standard mortgage administration platform and cost savings resulting from the CLS UK Cost Out programme partly offset by a reduction in the revenue related to the Fixed Fee contract and a reduction in revenue for providing Payment Protection Insurance and project support to clients.

The Balance Sheet and cash position remain strong with eligible capital at 30 June 2021 in excess of the regulatory minimum at 431% (2020: 130%) and cash at £6,063 thousand (2020: £9,174 thousand). The increase in capital in the year reflects the continued parental support with a rights issue of £12,000 thousand partly offset by the loss after tax.

##### Key performance indicators (KPIs)

The following KPIs are used by management to monitor the growth and general financial performance of the business.

	2021	2020
Assets under management (year end)	£9.4bn	£8.4bn
Loss before taxation	£(13,707)k	£(18,992)k
Operating loss	£(13,772)k	£(21,392)k

The increase in assets under management is due to the migration of a portfolio of assets from Homeloan Management Ltd partly offset by natural attrition in the book as mortgages redeem.

The reduction in the loss figure is discussed in the Financial Performance commentary above.

## COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED

### STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

#### **Directors' statement of compliance with duty to promote the success of the Company**

Under Section 172 (1) of the Companies Act 2006, a director of a company must act in the way they consider, in good faith, would be most likely to promote the success of the company for the benefit of its members as a whole, and in doing so have regard (amongst other matters) to:

- a. the likely consequences of any decision in the long term,
- b. the interests of the Company's employees,
- c. the need to foster the Company's business relationships with suppliers, customers and others,
- d. the impact of the Company's operations on the community and the environment,
- e. the desirability of the Company maintaining a reputation for high standards of business conduct, and
- f. the need to act fairly as between members of the Company.

The following paragraphs summarise how the directors fulfil their duties:

(a) The Company is wholly owned by Computershare Investments (UK) No.3 Limited and the ultimate parent undertaking is Computershare Limited, a Company incorporated in Australia. As such the directors always operates to the standards set by the Computershare Group ("Group") of which it is a member. Any decision taken will be aligned to the strategy of the wider Group and is made in the best interests of all stakeholders. Impacts of any decisions will be determined through ongoing risk assessment conducted with all relevant stakeholders. The Company strategy is regularly reviewed by the Board, is aligned to the key priorities set by Group and is presented to and agreed by Group. The Board has delegated responsibility for the day to day management and administration of the business to the CLS Chief Executive Officer who manages the companies in accordance with the strategy, plans and policies approved by the Board. The Chief Executive Officer chairs weekly Executive Leadership Team meetings where decisions are aligned to the approved Board strategy.

(b) The directors are committed to driving a responsible business. Our behaviour is aligned to our people, clients, investors, communities and society as a whole. Our commitment to our people is aligned to the People disclosures in the Computershare Group Annual Report. We recognise that success is driven by the quality and capabilities of our people and that looking after employees is in the best interests of all stakeholders. The directors undertake regular staff surveys and management build action plans based on the feedback which are reviewed by the Executive Leadership Team, encouraging employee participation. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic over 90% of the Company's workforce are working from home with technology and other support being provided. A majority of employees have expressed a preference to continue working from home, or a combination of office and home based working, in the longer term and the Company is in the process of finalising this revised operating model.

(c) The directors recognise the importance of building strong relationships with suppliers and customers and actively engages with representatives of contracting parties to ascertain their views and take them into account. The Company operates a Supplier Relationship Forum, leverages the wider Computershare Group procurement activity and has dedicated Client Relationships Managers. We also foster strong relationships and have regular contact with the FCA and other regulators. The Company has provided clients with additional Payment Holiday services through the COVID-19 pandemic to support mortgage customer requiring additional assistance.

(d) The directors recognise the importance of social and environmental activities and seek to manage them responsibly. We work closely to support our local community and have supported a number of initiatives and good causes during the year. Our approach to Corporate Responsibility is aligned to the disclosures in the Computershare Group Annual Report. The Company donated to Depaul UK, a youth homelessness charity helping young people who become homeless across the UK, The Principle Trust Children's Charity, a Yorkshire charity which provides disadvantaged, disabled and underprivileged children with access to subsidised holidays and Children 1st who support survivors of abuse, neglect, and other traumatic events in childhood. The majority of staff are currently working from home and this trend is expected to continue in the longer term. The two Yorkshire sites are being consolidated into Skipton with the Crossflatts site closing. Both these actions are anticipated to reduce the impact of the Company's operations on the environment.

## COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED

### STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

(e) The Board operates a Computershare Loan Services Governance Framework which sets out the Board governance arrangements. The Board discharges its responsibilities through the following Committees of the Board:

- CLS Audit and Compliance Committee
- CLS Risk Committee
- CLS Remuneration Committee
- CLS Nomination Committee

The directors operate strong risk, governance and oversight controls to ensure that high standards of business conduct are observed.

All employees and directors within the Group are required to follow the Computershare Code of Conduct, that sets out the principles and standards with which they are expected to comply as they perform their functions. We recognise that to protect and enhance our reputation, all employees must conduct themselves in accordance with the highest standards of personal integrity. This is critical to ensuring all stakeholders, from clients to investors and suppliers can have confidence in all aspects of our business.

A copy of the Group's board approved Code of Conduct, and other policies and charters noted above are available from the Corporate Governance section of <http://www.computershare.com/governance>.

(f) The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Computershare Investments (UK) No.3 Limited ('CIN3') and the directors are committed to openly engaging with the Board and Management of CIN3.

This report was approved by the Board on 18 October 2021 and signed on its behalf.



**P Ali**  
Director



## **COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

### **DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2021.

#### **Directors' responsibility statement**

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulation.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have prepared the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework", and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- state whether applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 101, have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006.

The directors are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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

#### **Results and dividends**

The loss for the year, after taxation, amounted to £13,118 thousand (2020 - loss £18,992 thousand).

The directors do not propose a final dividend to be paid (2020: £ nil), nor was an interim dividend paid (2020: £ nil) during the year.

#### **Directors**

The directors of the company who were in office during the year and up to the date of signing of the financial statements were:

N Oldfield  
A Jones  
R Banks  
T Franklin  
P Ali

#### **Political contributions**

The Company made no contributions for political purposes in the year (2020: £nil).

## **COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

### **DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

#### **Principal risks and uncertainties**

The principal risk faced by the company is the ability to maintain/grow the Assets Under Management and offset the natural decline in the assets managed for existing clients.

#### **Financial Risk management**

The Company's operations expose it to a variety of risks that include credit and liquidity risk. Further detail on this is provided in the Strategic Report under the principal risks and uncertainties.

#### **Going concern**

The Company has received a Letter of Support from its ultimate parent undertaking, Computershare Limited, confirming that it intends to provide financial support to ensure the Company will be able to meet financial and contractual liabilities as they fall due, and carry on business without significant curtailment of operations for at least 12 months from the date of approval of the Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ending 30 June 2021.

The Company's business activities, together with the factors likely to affect its future development, performance and position are set out in the Strategic Report on pages [1 to 5]. The financial position of the Company and liquidity position are described in the Company financial statements on pages [13 to 33]. Through the Cost Out programme and other initiatives management are working to create a profitable business in the medium term.

For these reasons, the directors continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in the financial statements.

#### **Future developments**

No matters to report.

#### **Employees**

Details of the number of employees and their related costs can be found in note 8 to the financial statements on page 25.

#### **Engagement with employees**

The Group systematically provides employees with information on matters of concern to them, consulting them or their representatives regularly, so that their views can be taken into account when making decisions that are likely to affect their interests. Employee involvement in the Group is encouraged, as achieving a common awareness on the part of all employees of the financial and economic factors affecting the Group plays a major role in maintaining its market leading position. The Group encourages the involvement of employees by means of various communication channels, including a web-based intranet and employee opinion surveys.

#### **Qualifying third party indemnity provisions**

As permitted by the Articles of Association, the directors have the benefit of an indemnity which is a qualifying third party indemnity provision as defined by Section 234 of the Companies Act 2006. The indemnity was in force throughout the last financial year and is currently in force. The Company also purchased insurance in respect of itself and its directors.

## COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED

### DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

#### Greenhouse gas emissions, energy consumption and energy efficiency action

In accordance with UK government's Streamlined Energy and Carbon Reporting ('SECR') policy we provide an update for the year on the Company energy usage and associated greenhouse gas emissions ('GHG').

Computershare are committed to driving change and reducing our carbon footprint where possible across our global business operations. We regularly hold a sustainability forum which looks at ideas to make significant changes and gives an opportunity for those ideas to be turned into commercial business cases.

The total energy consumed in the year was:

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>MWh</b>	<b>MWh</b>
Electricity	2,637	3,857
Gas	2,945	1,405
Total	<b>5,582</b>	<b>5,262</b>

The total emissions during the year were:

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>Kg CO2</b>	<b>Kg CO2</b>
Total emissions	1,215,271	1,267,746

As a measure of intensity:

CO2 emissions per employee	1,457	1,006
----------------------------	-------	-------

As part of the Covid-19 pandemic counter measures, all ventilation systems were adjusted to use 100% fresh air. This has resulted in larger volumes of air needing to be heated to maintain adequate internal temperatures thereby increasing the overall heat demand and consequent increase in gas consumption.

All sites have looked to mitigate this depending upon the installation, system and controls. These include adjusting temperature set points for unoccupied spaces, tweaks to time zones for heating operations, and reducing the actual volume of air through damper control whilst maintaining zero recirculation and ensuring suitable air quality through carbon dioxide monitors (where installed).

The methodology used to calculate the energy emissions is to apply a BEIS conversion factor to the KWh consumption. The method used for vehicle usage is apply a BEIS conversion factor to the total miles travelled.

#### Matters covered in the strategic report

The Company's business review, details of the principle risks and uncertainties and the key financial performance indicators are included within the Strategic Report.

#### Disclosure of information to auditors

Each of the persons who are directors at the time when this Directors' Report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and
- the director has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a director in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

#### Post balance sheet events

No matters to report.

**COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

**DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

**Independent Auditors**

The auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the Board on 18 October 2021 and signed on its behalf.



P Ali  
Director

## **COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

### **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

## **Report on the audit of the financial statements**

### **Opinion**

In our opinion, Computershare Mortgage Services Limited's financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 30 June 2021 and of its loss for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework", and applicable law); and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the financial statements, included within the Annual Report and Financial Statements (the "Annual Report"), which comprise: the balance sheet as at 30 June 2021; the statement of comprehensive income and statement of changes in equity for the year then ended; and the notes to the financial statements, which include a description of the significant accounting policies.

### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ("ISAs (UK)") and applicable law. Our responsibilities under ISAs (UK) are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### **Independence**

We remained independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, which includes the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

### **Conclusions relating to going concern**

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this conclusion is not a guarantee as to the company's ability to continue as a going concern.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

### **Reporting on other information**

The other information comprises all of the information in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in this report, any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge

## **COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

### **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify an apparent material inconsistency or material misstatement, we are required to perform procedures to conclude whether there is a material misstatement of the financial statements 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 based on these responsibilities.

With respect to the Strategic report and Directors' report, we also considered whether the disclosures required by the UK Companies Act 2006 have been included.

Based on our work undertaken in the course of the audit, the Companies Act 2006 requires us also to report certain opinions and matters as described below.

#### **Strategic report and Directors' report**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, the information given in the Strategic report and Directors' report for the year ended 30 June 2021 is consistent with the financial statements and has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

In light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we did not identify any material misstatements in the Strategic report and Directors' report.

### **Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit**

#### **Responsibilities of the directors for the financial statements**

As explained more fully in the Directors' responsibility statement, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable framework and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. The directors are also responsible for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### **Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole 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 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 economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

Based on our understanding of the company and industry, we identified that the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations related to breaches of UK regulatory principles, such as those governed by the Financial Conduct Authority, and we considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the financial statements. We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the financial statements such as the Companies Act 2006. We evaluated management's incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls), and determined that the principal risks were related

## **COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

### **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

to posting inappropriate journal entries to manipulate financial performance. Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

- Reviewing correspondence with the Financial Conduct Authority in relation to compliance with laws and regulations;
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance and internal audit reports;
- Discussions with management and those involved in the legal function, including consideration of known or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws and regulation and fraud;
- Risk based journal testing with a focus on those journals with attributes which could be indicative of a fraudulent posting; and
- Performed audit procedures which incorporate an element of unpredictability in our testing.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above. We are less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations that are not closely related to events and transactions reflected in the financial statements. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the FRC's website at: [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditors' report.

#### **Use of this report**

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

## **Other required reporting**

### **Companies Act 2006 exception reporting**

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

- we have not obtained all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns.

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.



Andrew Pye (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors

Bristol

18 October 2021

**COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

**STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

	<b>Note</b>	<b>2021 £000</b>	<b>2020 £000</b>
Turnover	4	28,368	81,687
Cost of sales		(18,164)	(47,651)
<b>Gross profit</b>		<u>10,204</u>	<u>34,036</u>
Administrative expenses		(26,331)	(57,735)
Other operating income	5	<u>2,355</u>	<u>2,307</u>
<b>Operating loss</b>	6	(13,772)	(21,392)
Interest receivable and similar income	9	<u>65</u>	<u>70</u>
<b>Loss before tax</b>		(13,707)	(21,322)
Tax on loss	10	<u>589</u>	<u>2,330</u>
<b>Loss for the financial year</b>		<u><u>(13,118)</u></u>	<u><u>(18,992)</u></u>

There was no other comprehensive income for 2021 (2020:£000NIL).



**COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**  
**REGISTERED NUMBER: 02466320**

**BALANCE SHEET**  
**AS AT 30 JUNE 2021**

	<b>Note</b>	<b>2021 £000</b>	<b>2020 £000</b>
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Negative goodwill	12	-	(1,558)
		<u>-</u>	<u>(1,558)</u>
Intangible assets	11	-	1,564
Tangible assets	13	671	658
		<u>671</u>	<u>664</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	15	14,133	25,308
Cash at bank and in hand		6,063	9,174
		<u>20,196</u>	<u>34,482</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	16	(12,260)	(21,306)
		<u>7,936</u>	<u>13,176</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>			
		<u>7,936</u>	<u>13,176</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>8,607</u>	<u>13,840</u>
Debtors: amounts falling due after more than one year	15	263	310
		<u>8,870</u>	<u>14,150</u>
<b>Provisions for liabilities</b>			
Other provisions	18	(788)	(5,098)
		<u>(788)</u>	<u>(5,098)</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>8,082</u>	<u>9,052</u>

**COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**  
**REGISTERED NUMBER: 02466320**

**BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)**  
**AS AT 30 JUNE 2021**

	<b>Note</b>	<b>2021 £000</b>	<b>2020 £000</b>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Called up share capital	19	1,000	1,000
Share premium account		12,000	-
Other reserves		287	139
Profit and loss account		(5,205)	7,913
		<u>8,082</u>	<u>9,052</u>

The financial statements on pages 13 to 33 were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of directors and were signed on its behalf on 18 October 2021.



**P Ali**  
Director

The notes on pages 17 to 33 form part of these financial statements.

**COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

	<b>Called up share capital £000</b>	<b>Share premium account £000</b>	<b>Other reserves £000</b>	<b>Profit and loss account £000</b>	<b>Total equity £000</b>
<b>At 1 July 2019</b>	1,000	-	56	26,905	27,961
<b>Comprehensive expense for the year</b>					
Loss for the financial year	-	-	-	(18,992)	(18,992)
<b>Other comprehensive income for the year</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total comprehensive expense for the year</b>	-	-	-	(18,992)	(18,992)
Capital contribution in respect of share-based payments charge	-	-	83	-	83
<b>Total transactions with owners</b>	-	-	83	-	83
<b>At 30 June 2020</b>	1,000	-	139	7,913	9,052
<b>Comprehensive expense for the year</b>					
Loss for the financial year	-	-	-	(13,118)	(13,118)
<b>Other comprehensive income for the year</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total comprehensive expense for the year</b>	-	-	-	(13,118)	(13,118)
Shares issued during the year	-	12,000	-	-	12,000
Capital contribution in respect of share-based payments charge	-	-	148	-	148
<b>Total transactions with owners</b>	-	12,000	148	-	12,148
<b>At 30 June 2021</b>	1,000	12,000	287	(5,205)	8,082

The notes on pages 17 to 33 form part of these financial statements.

## **COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

#### **1. General information**

Computershare Mortgage Services Limited (previously Specialist Mortgage Services Ltd) ("the Company") is a private limited company limited by shares and incorporated in England in the United Kingdom. The Company is domiciled in England in the United Kingdom and its registered office is The Pavilions, Bridgwater Road, Bristol, BS13 8AE.

#### **2. Accounting policies**

##### **2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention unless otherwise specified within these accounting policies and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101 'Reduced Disclosure Framework' and the Companies Act 2006.

The preparation of financial statements in compliance with FRS 101 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise judgment in applying the Company's accounting policies (see note 3).

The directors have taken advantage under section 401 of the Companies Act 2006 not to prepare consolidated financial statements as the Company is included by full consolidation in the consolidated financial statements of its ultimate parent, Computershare Limited (Australia), a company registered in Australia. The financial statements of Computershare Limited (Australia) are publicly available.

##### **2.2 Financial reporting standard 101 - reduced disclosure exemptions**

The company has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemptions under FRS 101:

- the requirements of paragraphs 45(b) and 46-52 of IFRS 2 Share based payment
- the requirement in paragraph 38 of IAS 1 'Presentation of Financial Statements' to present comparative information in respect of:
  - paragraph 79(a)(iv) of IAS 1;
  - paragraph 73(e) of IAS 16 Property, Plant and Equipment;
  - paragraph 118(e) of IAS 38 Intangible Assets;
- the requirements of paragraphs 10(d), 10(f), 16, 38A, 38B, 38C, 38D, 40A, 40B, 40C, 40D, 111 and 134-136 of IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements
- the requirements of IAS 7 Statement of Cash Flows
- the requirements of IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures
- the requirements of paragraphs 91-99 of IFRS 13 Fair Value Measurement
- the requirements of paragraph 17 and 18A of IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures
- the requirements in IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures to disclose related party transactions entered into between two or more members of a group, provided that any subsidiary which is a party to the transaction is wholly owned by such a member

The following principal accounting policies have been applied consistently:

## **COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

#### **2. Accounting policies (continued)**

##### **2.3 Going concern**

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared on a going concern basis, which the directors believe to be appropriate. The Company has received a Letter of Support from its ultimate parent undertaking, Computershare Limited, confirming that it intends to provide financial support to ensure the Company will be able to meet financial and contractual liabilities as they fall due, and carry on business without significant curtailment of operations for at least 12 months from the date of approval of the Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ending 30 June 2021.

The Company's business activities, together with the factors likely to affect its future development, performance and position are set out in the Strategic Report on pages 1 to 5. The financial position of the Company and liquidity position are described in the Company financial statements on pages 13 to 33. Through the Cost Out programme and other initiatives management are working to create a profitable business in the medium term.

For these reasons, the directors continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in the financial statements.

##### **2.4 Turnover and other operating income**

Turnover is recognised under the principles outlined within IFRS 15. The majority of turnover is earned through the administration of third-party mortgages comprising the underlying servicing of the mortgages and the turnover is billed on a periodic basis. The other turnover stream is client change and on-boarding activity which is derived through agreed client changes outside of the core client service arrangement. These changes support onboarding of incremental new business and subsequent turnover streams.

A fixed fee is also payable by a major contract as part of Computershare's appointment to undertake mortgage servicing activity. The fixed fee is payable over four years for the provision of infrastructure to support core services. Fixed fee revenue is recognised on a percentage of completion method which links the fixed fee revenue recognised to the infrastructure costs incurred in a period as a proportion of the projected total infrastructure costs.

Other operating income is made up of a fixed fee charged to a major contract for business as usual IT services incurred.

Turnover is recognised in a manner that depicts the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the provider of the goods or services expects to be entitled. This involves following a 5-step model of turnover recognition.

The 5-step model involves identifying the contract with a customer, identifying performance obligations under the contract, determining the transaction price, allocating the transaction price to performance obligations under the contract and recognising turnover when the Company satisfies its performance obligations.

The key area of judgement in recognition of turnover is calculating the scale and timing of future incremental revenue streams.

Turnover is recognised either when the performance obligation in the contract has been performed, or over time as control of the performance obligation is transferred to the customer. For contracts with multiple components to be delivered management applies judgement to consider whether there are separate performance obligations.

Due to the nature of the turnover being derived from mortgage servicing there are no performance obligations in relation to refunds, warranties or similar obligations.

At contract inception the total transaction price is fixed, determined based on management's

## COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

#### 2. Accounting policies (continued)

##### 2.4 Turnover and other operating income (continued)

commercial estimates. Estimates are based upon management's understanding of the complexity of the required service based on their experience of providing similar services. This is then allocated to the identified performance obligations based on the directly incurred development cost of the required service for each contract when those performance obligations are satisfied. Any variations to the scope of the performance obligations are assessed as and when a change is requested, the transaction price is then reassessed.

For some contracts the company incurs development costs in order to meet its performance obligation and these costs are recognised as an asset. The asset is then amortised on a straight line basis over the remaining life of the contract. Judgement is applied in assessing whether these costs are costs to fulfil a contract and this judgement will depend on management's assessment of the nature of the underlying costs and whether they principally relate to a particular contract.

As the customer benefits from the value of the contract throughout the contractual period based upon what the Company do for the customer the output method is appropriately applied by the Company to all turnover streams other than the fixed fee turnover where the cost-to-cost method is applied.

The Company always acts as the principal as there are no arrangements for another party to provide the goods or services.

##### 2.5 Other intangible assets

Intangible assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, intangible assets are measured at cost less any accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses.

The estimated useful lives range as follows:

Customer contracts	-	5	years
--------------------	---	---	-------

##### 2.6 Negative Goodwill

Where the fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities exceed the fair value of consideration paid, the excess is presented separately on the balance sheet. Subsequently, the excess up to the fair value of the non-monetary assets acquired is recognised in profit or loss in the periods in which the non-monetary assets are recovered. Any excess exceeding the fair value of non-monetary assets acquired shall be recognised in profit or loss in the periods expected to be benefited.

Direct costs of acquisition are recognised immediately as an expense.

##### 2.7 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets under the cost model are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

## **COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

#### **2. Accounting policies (continued)**

##### **2.7 Tangible fixed assets (continued)**

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method.

The estimated useful lives range as follows:

Long-term leasehold property	- term of lease
Plant and machinery	- 3-8 years
Freehold land	- Freehold land is not depreciated

The assets' residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted prospectively if appropriate, or if there is an indication of a significant change since the last reporting date.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised in profit or loss.

##### **2.8 Investment in subsidiaries**

Investments in subsidiaries are measured at cost less accumulated impairment.

##### **2.9 Debtors**

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment. Loans receivable are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

##### **2.10 Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash is represented by cash in hand and deposits with financial institutions repayable without penalty on notice of not more than 24 hours. Cash equivalents are highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with insignificant risk of change in value.

## **COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

#### **2. Accounting policies (continued)**

##### **2.11 Financial instruments**

The Company recognises financial instruments when it becomes a party to the contractual arrangements of the instrument. Financial instruments are de-recognised when they are discharged or when the contractual terms expire. The Company's accounting policies in respect of financial instruments transactions are explained below:

Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value.

##### **Financial assets**

All recognised financial assets are subsequently measured in their entirety at either fair value or amortised cost, depending on the classification of the financial assets.

##### **Impairment of financial assets**

The Company recognises a loss allowance for expected credit losses on investments in debt instruments that are measured at amortised or at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI). The amount of expected credit losses is updated at each reporting date to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition of the respective financial instrument.

The Company always recognises lifetime expected credit losses (ECL) for trade receivables and amounts due on contracts with customers. The expected credit losses on these financial assets are estimated based on the Company's historical credit loss experience, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors, general economic conditions and an assessment of both the current as well as the forecast direction of conditions at the reporting date, including time value of money where appropriate. Lifetime ECL represents the expected credit losses that will result from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument.

##### **Financial liabilities**

##### **At amortised cost**

Financial liabilities which are neither contingent consideration of an acquirer in a business combination, held for trading, nor designated as at fair value through profit or loss are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. This is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial liability and of allocating interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments through the expected life of the financial liability, or where appropriate a shorter period, to the amortised cost of a financial liability.

##### **2.12 Creditors**

Creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers.

Creditors are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

##### **2.13 Interest income**

Interest income is recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method.



## **COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

#### **2. Accounting policies (continued)**

##### **2.14 Provisions for liabilities**

Provisions are made where an event has taken place that gives the Company a legal or constructive obligation that probably requires settlement by a transfer of economic benefit, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

Provisions are charged as an expense to profit or loss in the year that the Company becomes aware of the obligation, and are measured at the best estimate at the Balance Sheet date of the expenditure required to settle the obligation, taking into account relevant risks and uncertainties.

When payments are eventually made, they are charged to the provision carried in the Balance Sheet.

##### **2.15 Current and deferred taxation**

The tax expense for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in profit or loss except that a charge attributable to an item of income and expense recognised as other comprehensive income or to an item recognised directly in equity is also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively.

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date in the countries where the Company operates and generates income.

Deferred tax balances are recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed by the Balance Sheet date, except that:

- The recognition of deferred tax assets is limited to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits; and
- Any deferred tax balances are reversed if and when all conditions for retaining associated tax allowances have been met.

Deferred tax balances are not recognised in respect of permanent differences except in respect of business combinations, when deferred tax is recognised on the differences between the fair values of assets acquired and the future tax deductions available for them and the differences between the fair values of liabilities acquired and the amount that will be assessed for tax. Deferred tax is determined using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

## COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

#### 3. Judgments in applying accounting policies and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The Company makes estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities within the next financial year. The Company has to make judgments in applying its accounting policies which affects the amounts recognised in the financial statements. Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The key estimates, assumptions and judgments are set out below:

##### Valuation of intangibles

Valuations of intangibles are based on expected future cash flows from customer contracts acquired. In determining these future cash flows there are uncertainties due to multiple factors, such as changing future economic conditions and customer retention. As a result of these uncertainties the valuation of intangibles may change over time and are therefore reviewed regularly for impairment (see note 11).

##### Recognition of turnover

As part of Computershare's appointment by a major contract to undertake its mortgage servicing activities, it was agreed that a fixed fee would be payable to Computershare over four years for the provision of infrastructure to support core services under the contract. A single performance obligation has been identified in the contract between the Group and the major contract, under IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers, will be satisfied over a period of time. A portion of the fixed fee is recognised as revenue during the period with reference to the percentage of related costs that have been incurred to date.

The Company is required to reassess the related costs which may arise in future and the resulting amount of revenue to be recognised on an annual basis. This reassessment may lead to fluctuations in the amount of the fixed fee recognised as revenue each year. Judgement is required in estimating the total amount of related costs which are expected to be incurred, the percentage of these costs incurred to date and the period over which these costs will be incurred.

##### Provisions

As part of the ongoing Cost Out programme there is a redundancy provision in place. This provision is under ongoing internal review and requires judgment from management in identifying the relevant costs to include.

#### 4. Turnover

An analysis of turnover by class of business is as follows:

	2021 £000	2020 £000
Mortgage account servicing (including associated project fees)	28,368	81,687
	<u>28,368</u>	<u>81,687</u>

All turnover arose within the United Kingdom.

The reduction in turnover reflects a fall in Fixed Fee revenues (decline of £37,106 thousand) and a decline in support required by clients for Payment Protection Insurance and Project activities.

**COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

**5. Other operating income**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>£000</b>	<b>£000</b>
Other operating income	2,403	2,277
Net rents receivable	-	5
(Loss)/profit on disposal of tangible assets	(41)	25
Loss on disposal of fixed asset investments	(7)	-
	<u>2,355</u>	<u>2,307</u>

Other operating income is primarily outsourced IT revenue.

**6. Operating loss**

The operating loss is stated after charging/(crediting):

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>£000</b>	<b>£000</b>
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	29	68
Amortisation of intangible assets, including goodwill	6	6
Exchange differences	(9)	2
Defined contribution pension cost	2,697	3,058
	<u>2,697</u>	<u>3,058</u>

**7. Auditors' remuneration**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>£000</b>	<b>£000</b>
Fees payable to the Company's auditors and their associates for the audit of the Company's annual financial statements	49	71
	<u>49</u>	<u>71</u>
<b>Fees payable to the Company's auditors and their associates in respect of:</b>		
Audit related assurance services	110	160
	<u>110</u>	<u>160</u>

# COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

### 8. Employees

The Company has no employees (2020:nil), the costs below are in respect of staff dedicated to Computershare Mortgage Services Limited and their costs are recharged from another group company.

Staff costs were as follows:

	2021 £000	2020 £000
Wages and salaries	10,148	44,813
Social security costs	2,735	3,179
Other pension costs	2,697	3,058
	<u>15,580</u>	<u>51,050</u>

The Company has no employees other than the directors, who did not receive any remuneration (2020 - £NIL).

The emoluments of A Jones are paid by Homeloan Management Limited which makes no recharge to the company. A Jones is also a director of a number of other companies in the Computershare Group and it is not possible to make an accurate apportionment of his emoluments in respect of each of these companies.

The emoluments of N Oldfield are paid by Computershare Inc which makes no recharge to the company. N Oldfield is also a director of a number of other companies in the Computershare Group and it is not possible to make an accurate apportionment of his emoluments in respect of each of these companies.

The emoluments of P Ali are paid by Computershare Investor Services PLC which makes no recharge to the company. P Ali is also a director of a number of other companies in the Computershare Group and it is not possible to make an accurate apportionment of his emoluments in respect of each of the companies.

The emoluments of T Franklin and R Banks are paid by Computershare Services Limited and are recharged to the company. Accordingly, the above details only include emoluments in respect of these directors, totalling £114 thousand in the year (2020: £79 thousand). This includes £Nil thousand employer contributions to defined contribution pension plans (2020: £Nil).

### 9. Interest receivable and similar income

	2021 £000	2020 £000
Interest receivable from group companies	65	70
	<u>65</u>	<u>70</u>

**COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

**10. Tax on loss**

	<b>2021 £000</b>	<b>2020 £000</b>
<b>Corporation tax</b>		
Current tax on loss before taxation	(380)	(1,906)
Adjustments in respect of previous periods	(177)	-
<b>Total current tax</b>	<u>(557)</u>	<u>(1,906)</u>
<b>Deferred tax</b>		
Origination and reversal of timing differences	(161)	(446)
Changes to tax rates	-	47
Adjustment in respect of previous periods	129	(25)
<b>Total deferred tax</b>	<u>(32)</u>	<u>(424)</u>
<b>Taxation on loss</b>	<u>(589)</u>	<u>(2,330)</u>

**Factors affecting tax credit for the year**

The tax assessed for the year is higher than (2020 - higher than) the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.00% (2020 - 19.00%). The differences are explained below:

	<b>2021 £000</b>	<b>2020 £000</b>
Loss on ordinary activities before tax	<u>(13,707)</u>	<u>(21,322)</u>
Loss before tax multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.00% (2020 - 19.00%)	(2,604)	(4,051)
<b>Effects of:</b>		
Tax rate changes	-	47
Adjustments to tax charge in respect of prior periods	(48)	(133)
Share options	15	16
Group relief	2,048	1,791
<b>Total tax credit for the year</b>	<u>(589)</u>	<u>(2,330)</u>

The Company has surrendered tax losses of £10,779 thousand (2020: £9426 thousand) with a tax effect of £2,048 thousand (2020: £1,791 thousand) from fellow subsidiary undertakings for no payment.

**COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

**10. Tax on loss (continued)**

**Factors that may affect future tax charges**

The standard UK corporation tax rate is 19% throughout the year ended 30 June 2021. Following the enactment of Finance Act 2021 the standard UK corporation tax rate will remain at 19% before increasing to 25% from 1 April 2023. Deferred tax has been recognised at either 19% or 25% depending on the rate expected to be in force at the time of the reversal of the temporary difference.

**11. Intangible assets**

	<b>Customer contracts £000</b>
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 July 2020	8,530
At 30 June 2021	8,530
<b>Amortisation</b>	
At 1 July 2020	6,966
Charge for the year on owned assets	1,564
At 30 June 2021	8,530
<b>Net book value</b>	
At 30 June 2021	-
At 30 June 2020	1,564

The intangible asset arose on the Company's entry into the mortgage servicing contract with UKAR. Although the legal form of the arrangement was a series of contractual arrangements, the directors believe the substance of the transaction was that of a business combination when looked at in conjunction with the Computershare Group taking on the tangible assets and staff of UKAR (and associated know how) at the same time. Therefore when calculating the value of the business combination, not only did the directors include the value of the tangible assets acquired, but also ascribed a value to the contract entered into based on the expected future cash flows resulting from that contract.

The directors believe the appropriate period over which to amortise the intangible is 5 years. Amortisation is charged to administrative expenses in the statement of comprehensive income.

**COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

**12. Negative goodwill**

	<b>2021 £000</b>
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 July 2020	(8,499)
<b>At 30 June 2021</b>	<u>(8,499)</u>
<b>Amortisation</b>	
At 1 July 2020	(6,941)
Credit for the year	(1,558)
<b>At 30 June 2021</b>	<u>(8,499)</u>
<b>Net book value</b>	
<b>At 30 June 2021</b>	<u><u>-</u></u>
<i>At 30 June 2020</i>	<u><u>(1,558)</u></u>

The consideration paid for the transfer of the relevant UKAR assets and liabilities to the Computershare Group was £1. Therefore negative goodwill arose on the transaction to the extent the net assets (including intangible asset in note 11) acquired exceeded this consideration.

In line with the customer contracts intangible asset, it is being amortised over the 5 year period of the contract on which it arose. Amortisation is charged to administrative expenses in the statement of comprehensive income.

The negative goodwill arose as follows:

Fair value of net assets acquired	£8,499 thousand
Consideration	£nil
Negative goodwill on transaction	£8,499 thousand

**COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

**13. Tangible assets**

	<b>Freehold land £000</b>	<b>Long-term leasehold property £000</b>	<b>Plant and machinery £000</b>	<b>Total £000</b>
<b>Cost or valuation</b>				
At 1 July 2020	520	181	13	714
Additions	-	83	-	83
Disposals	-	(59)	-	(59)
At 30 June 2021	520	205	13	738
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1 July 2020	-	43	13	56
Charge for the year on owned assets	-	29	-	29
Disposals	-	(18)	-	(18)
At 30 June 2021	-	54	13	67
<b>Net book value</b>				
At 30 June 2021	520	151	-	671
At 30 June 2020	520	138	-	658

**14. Fixed asset investments**

Specialist Mortgage Services Ireland Limited ("SMS Ireland") was incorporated in November 2013 with the issued share capital of €2. Following the decision by a Client not to proceed with engaging SMS Ireland relating to a specific contract that followed on from a pilot exercise, management has reviewed the carrying value of SMS Ireland and has impaired the €2 investment.

**Subsidiary undertaking**

The following was a subsidiary undertaking of the Company:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Registered office</b>	<b>Class of shares</b>	<b>Holding</b>
Specialist Mortgage Services Ireland Limited	3100 Lake Drive, Citywest Business Campus, Dublin 24, D24 AK82	Ordinary	100%



**COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

**14. Fixed asset investments (continued)**

**Subsidiary undertaking (continued)**

The aggregate of the share capital and reserves as at 30 June 2021 and the profit or loss for the year ended on that date for the subsidiary undertaking was as follows:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Profit £000</b>
Specialist Mortgage Services Ireland Limited	(2)

**15. Debtors**

	<b>2021 £000</b>	<b>2020 £000</b>
<b>Amounts falling due after more than one year</b>		
Prepayments and accrued income	263	310
	<u>263</u>	<u>310</u>
	<b>2021 £000</b>	<b>2020 £000</b>
<b>Amounts falling due within one year</b>		
Trade debtors	3,432	5,912
Amounts owed by group undertakings	6,331	14,503
Other debtors	2,588	1,832
Prepayments and accrued income	1,730	3,042
Deferred taxation	52	19
	<u>14,133</u>	<u>25,308</u>

Amounts owed by group undertakings are unsecured and are repayable on demand. They include a £1,623 thousand loan to CIN3 repayable on demand with interest payable at a rate of UK Daily LIBOR plus 1.05% per annum.

Other debtors includes £1,419 thousand Corporation tax recoverable, of which £1,039 thousand relates to the prior year not yet refunded, with the remaining £380 thousand relating to the current year.

The reduction in Prepayments and accrued income reflects the timing of receipts and the recognition of fixed fee revenue.

**COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

**16. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>£000</b>	<b>£000</b>
Amounts owed to group undertakings	6,434	9,408
Other taxation and social security	-	89
Other creditors	1,330	1,379
Accruals and deferred income	4,496	10,430
	<u>12,260</u>	<u>21,306</u>

Amounts owed to group undertakings are unsecured and are repayable on demand. The balance also includes a redundancy provision of £840 thousand and a provision for annual leave of £873 thousand.

**17. Deferred taxation**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>£000</b>	<b>£000</b>
At beginning of year	19	(404)
Credited to profit or loss	161	423
PYA	(128)	-
<b>At end of year</b>	<u>52</u>	<u>19</u>

The deferred tax asset is made up as follows:

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>£000</b>	<b>£000</b>
Accelerated capital allowances	52	63
Other differences	-	(297)
Temporary differences	-	253
	<u>52</u>	<u>19</u>

**COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

**18. Other provisions**

	<b>Annual leave provision £000</b>	<b>Service level provision £000</b>	<b>Onerous business rates provision £000</b>	<b>Redundan cy provisio n £000</b>	<b>Total £000</b>
At 1 July 2020	1,130	9	-	3,959	5,098
Charged to profit or loss	(1,130)	181	607	4,094	3,752
Utilised in year	-	(9)	-	(8,053)	(8,062)
<b>At 30 June 2021</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>607</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>788</b>

**Annual leave provision**

A liability is recognised to the extent of any unused holiday pay entitlement which is accrued at the balance sheet date and carried forward to future periods. This is measured at the undiscounted salary cost of the future holiday entitlement so accrued at the balance sheet date. This provision is now part of amounts owed to group undertakings with Computershare services Ltd, who provide the employment services.

**Service level provision**

The provision is made for estimated compensation payments resulting from past operational issues. The amount of provision to be held and the amount of compensation made is determined through internal investigation and agreement with the client on a case by case basis.

It is uncertain when the provision will be fully utilised due to the ongoing nature of internal investigations and discussions with the client.

**Onerous business rates provision**

This provision covers estimated unavoidable business rates costs of the leasehold properties no longer in use as well as mothballed floor space up until the lease break dates.

**Redundancy provision**

A liability was recognised for estimated redundancy costs associated with the projected reduced headcount resulting from the Cost Out programme. The liability was fully utilised during the year.

**19. Called up share capital**

	<b>2021 £000</b>	<b>2020 £000</b>
<b>Authorised, allotted, called up and fully paid</b>		
1,000,020 (2020 - 999998) Ordinary shares of £1.00 each	1,000	1,000

**20. Pension commitments**

Pension costs are paid through another group company.

## COMPUTERSHARE MORTGAGE SERVICES LIMITED

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

#### **21. Related party transactions**

The Company undertook no transactions with related parties other than with parties 100% owned within the Group and therefore exempt from disclosure under FRS101.

#### **22. Post balance sheet events**

No matters to report.

#### **23. Controlling party**

Computershare Mortgage Services Limited is controlled and 100% owned by Computershare Investments (UK) (No.3) Limited incorporated in England and Wales.

The ultimate parent undertaking and ultimate controlling party is Computershare Limited ("Computershare Limited (Australia)"), a company incorporated in Australia under ACN 005485825, which ultimately holds 100% of the share capital in Computershare Mortgage Services Limited.

The smallest and largest group in which Computershare Investments (UK) (No. 3) Limited is a member and for which group financial statements are drawn up is the Computershare Limited (Australia) group. The consolidated financial statements of this group can be obtained from Computershare Limited, 452 Johnston Street, Abbotsford, Victoria 3067, Australia. These may also be found at Computershare's web site [www.computershare.com](http://www.computershare.com).