

Spruce Credit Union
Financial Statements
December 31, 2020

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Management's Responsibility

To the Members of Spruce Credit Union:

Management is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the accompanying financial statements, including responsibility for significant accounting judgments and estimates in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards. This responsibility includes selecting appropriate accounting principles and methods, and making decisions affecting the measurement of transactions in which objective judgment is required.

In discharging its responsibilities for the integrity and fairness of the financial statements, management designs and maintains the necessary accounting systems and related internal controls to provide reasonable assurance that transactions are authorized, assets are safeguarded and financial records are properly maintained to provide reliable information for the preparation of financial statements.

The Board of Directors and Audit Committee are composed entirely of Directors who are neither management nor employees of the Credit Union. The Board is responsible for overseeing management in the performance of its financial reporting responsibilities, and for approving the financial information included in the annual report. The Audit Committee has the responsibility of meeting with management and external auditors to discuss the internal controls over the financial reporting process, auditing matters and financial reporting issues. The Committee is also responsible for recommending the appointment of the Credit Union's external auditors.

MNP LLP is appointed by the members to audit the financial statements and report directly to them; their report follows. The external auditors have full and free access to, and meet periodically and separately with, both the Committee and management to discuss their audit findings.

March 18, 2021



Chief Executive Officer



Senior Manager, Finance and Administration

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Members of Spruce Credit Union:

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Spruce Credit Union (the "Credit Union"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2020, and the statements of comprehensive income, changes in members' equity and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Credit Union as at December 31, 2020, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Credit Union in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, 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.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, and for such internal control as management determines 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, management is responsible for assessing the Credit Union'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 management either intends to liquidate the Credit Union or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Credit Union's financial reporting process.

Auditor's 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 auditor's 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 Canadian generally accepted auditing standards 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.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Credit Union's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management

- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Credit Union's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Credit Union to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Abbotsford, British Columbia

March 18, 2021

MNP LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants

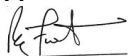
Spruce Credit Union

Statement of Financial Position

As at December 31, 2020

	2020	2019
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents <i>(Note 5)</i>	16,385,348	3,735,678
Investments <i>(Note 6)</i>	15,383,670	19,921,332
Loans to members <i>(Note 7)</i>	153,244,906	146,546,812
Income taxes recoverable	-	9,036
Property and equipment <i>(Note 8)</i>	2,150,793	2,291,866
Intangible assets <i>(Note 9)</i>	966,886	1,143,981
Other assets	187,069	249,827
	188,318,672	173,898,532
Liabilities		
Deposits from members <i>(Note 10)</i>	173,756,384	158,656,586
Income taxes payable	195,311	-
Borrowings <i>(Note 11)</i>	3,005,452	4,500,000
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	667,060	733,194
Lease liability <i>(Note 12)</i>	272,134	294,085
Deferred income tax liability <i>(Note 13)</i>	99,000	137,000
Membership shares <i>(Note 14)</i>	211,131	217,954
	178,206,472	164,538,819
 Events after the reporting period <i>(Note 21)</i>		
 Members' equity		
Retained earnings	10,112,200	9,359,713
	188,318,672	173,898,532

Approved on behalf of the Board



Director



Director

Spruce Credit Union
Statement of Comprehensive Income
For the year ended December 31, 2020

	2020	2019
Interest income		
Member loans	5,927,784	5,935,272
Investment income	504,411	589,098
	6,432,195	6,524,370
Interest expense		
Member deposits	2,058,198	2,340,431
Other interest expense	53,441	51,371
	2,111,639	2,391,802
Net interest margin	4,320,556	4,132,568
Provision for credit losses (Note 19)	209,801	192,818
Net interest income	4,110,755	3,939,750
Other operating income (Note 15)	1,294,002	1,116,375
Total operating income	5,404,757	5,056,125
Operating expenses		
Depreciation	447,353	422,838
General and administrative	168,953	166,526
Marketing	87,960	105,387
Occupancy	220,999	246,137
Organizational	1,128,488	1,264,418
Personnel	2,430,268	2,650,631
Total operating expenses	4,484,021	4,855,937
Income before income taxes	920,736	200,188
Income tax expense (recovery) (Note 13)		
Current	206,249	8,976
Deferred	(38,000)	(11,000)
	168,249	(2,024)
Comprehensive income	752,487	202,212

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

Spruce Credit Union
Statement of Changes in Members' Equity
For the year ended December 31, 2020

	<i>Retained earnings</i>
Balance December 31, 2018	9,157,501
Comprehensive income	202,212
Balance December 31, 2019	9,359,713
Comprehensive income	752,487
Balance December 31, 2020	10,112,200

Spruce Credit Union
Statement of Cash Flows
For the year ended December 31, 2020

	2020	2019
Cash provided by (used for) the following activities		
Operating activities		
Comprehensive income	752,487	202,212
Depreciation of property and equipment	239,424	226,168
Depreciation of intangible assets	177,095	176,114
Depreciation of right-of-use buildings	30,834	20,556
Interest expense on lease liability	6,849	4,946
Deferred income tax	(38,000)	(11,000)
Provision for credit losses	209,801	192,818
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	2,892
Changes in working capital accounts:		
Income taxes payable/recoverable	204,347	(27,163)
Other assets	62,758	(58,065)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(66,132)	(152,461)
Accrued interest on loans to members	(12,888)	(33,043)
Accrued interest on deposits from members	(45,786)	35,368
	1,520,789	579,342
Financing activities		
Net proceeds from borrowings	-	4,500,000
Net repayments of borrowings	(1,494,548)	-
Net change in member deposits	15,145,583	(8,798,328)
Net change in membership shares	(6,823)	(534,550)
Repayments of lease liability	(28,800)	(19,200)
	13,615,412	(4,852,078)
Investing activities		
Net change in investments	4,537,661	5,705,586
Net change in loans to members	(6,895,007)	(7,219,855)
Purchases of property and equipment	(129,185)	(625,781)
Purchases of intangible assets	-	(15,493)
	(2,486,531)	(2,155,543)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	12,649,670	(6,428,279)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	3,735,678	10,163,957
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	16,385,348	3,735,678

1. Reporting entity

Spruce Credit Union (the “Credit Union”) was formed pursuant to the Credit Union Incorporations Act of the British Columbia and the operation of the Credit Union is subject to the Financial Institutions Act of British Columbia (“the Act”).

The Credit Union serves members in the Prince George area of British Columbia and the surrounding areas. The address of the Credit Union’s registered office is 879 Victoria Street, Prince George, British Columbia.

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRSs”) and interpretations adopted by the International Accounting Standards Board (“IASB”).

These financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2020 were approved by the Board of Directors on March 18, 2021.

2. Change in accounting policies

Standards and Interpretations effective in the current period

The Credit Union adopted amendments to the following standards, effective January 1, 2020. Adoption of these amendments had no effect on the Credit Union’s financial statements.

- IFRS 3 Business combinations
- IAS 1 Presentation of financial instruments
- IAS 8 Accounting policies, changes in accounting estimate and errors

3. Basis of preparation

Basis of measurement

The financial statements have been prepared using the historical basis except for the revaluation of certain financial instruments.

Functional and presentation currency

These financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars, which is the Credit Union’s functional currency.

Significant accounting judgments, estimates and assumptions

Since a determination of some assets and liabilities is dependent upon uncertain future events, the preparation of these financial statements requires the use of estimates and assumptions, which have been made by management using careful judgment. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates, assumptions and judgments used in preparation of these financial statements include allowance for expected credit losses, the estimate of fair value of financial instruments not traded in active markets, and income taxes.

During the current year, the global COVID-19 pandemic and its related economic impacts have resulted in heightened measurement uncertainty, primarily related to the estimates, assumptions and judgments used in the measurement of the allowance for loan impairment. For the year ended December 31, 2020, the Credit Union has included all information available to the date of these financial statements in these estimates. The situation remains fluid and certain impacts continue to remain unknown and may reasonably require adjustment within the next twelve months.

Key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date are discussed below.

Allowance for expected credit losses

At each reporting period, financial assets are assessed to determine whether their credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition. In determining whether credit risk has significantly increased, management develops a number of assumptions about the following factors which impact the borrowers’ ability to meet debt obligations:

- Expected significant changes in unemployment rates, interest rates and home prices
- Expected or actual changes in internal credit ratings of the borrowers or external credit ratings of the instrument

3. Basis of preparation *(Continued from previous page)*

- The correlation between credit risk on all lending facilities of the same borrower
- Changes in the value of the collateral supporting the obligation or in the quality of third-party guarantees or credit enhancements

Significant judgments, estimates and assumptions are required when calculating the expected credit losses of financial assets. In estimating expected credit losses, the Credit Union develops a number of assumptions as follows:

- The period over which the Credit Union is exposed to credit risk, considering for example, prepayments, extension options, demand features
- The probability-weighted outcome, including identification of scenarios that specify the amount and timing of the cash flows for particular outcomes and the estimated probability of those outcomes
- The risk of default occurring on loans during their expected lives and during the next 12 months after the reporting date
- Expected cash short falls including, recoveries, costs to recover and the effects of any collateral or other credit enhancements
- Estimates of effective interest rates used in incorporating the time value of money

The above assumptions are based on historical information and adjusted for current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions. The Credit Union determines adjustments needed to its historical assumptions by monitoring the correlation of the probability of default and loss rates with the following economic variables:

- Interest rates in Canada
- Unemployment rates in British Columbia
- Inflation
- Real GDP
- Housing starts in British Columbia
- Oil prices in Canada

The estimate of expected credit losses reflects an unbiased and probability-weighted amount that is determined by evaluating a range of possible outcomes that are neither best-case nor worse-case scenarios. The Credit Union uses judgment to weight these scenarios.

Financial instruments not traded in active markets

For financial instruments not traded in active markets, fair values are determined using valuation techniques such as the discounted cash flow model that rely on assumptions that are based on observable active markets or rates. Certain assumptions take into consideration liquidity risk, credit risk and volatility.

Income taxes

The Credit Union periodically assesses its liabilities and contingencies related to income taxes for all years open to audit based on the latest information available. For matters where it is probable that an adjustment will be made, the Credit Union records its best estimate of the tax liability including the related interest and penalties in the current tax provision. Management believes that they have adequately provided for the probable outcome of these matters; however, the final outcome may result in a materially different outcome than the amount included in the tax liabilities.

4. Summary of significant accounting policies

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise of cash on hand and demand deposits. Other investments (term deposits and certificates of deposit) maturing in less than three months or that are cashable at the Credit Union's discretion are also reported as cash.

Investments

Each investment is classified into one of the categories described under financial instruments. The classification dictates the accounting treatment for the carrying value and changes in that value.

4. Summary of significant accounting policies *(Continued from previous page)*

Central 1 term deposits

Central 1 term deposits are accounted for at amortized cost.

Other Investments

Investments in securities are measured at fair value, with adjustments recognized in profit or loss.

Property held for resale

Property held for resale is initially recorded at the lower of cost and estimated net realizable value. Cost comprises the balance of the loan at the date on which the Credit Union obtains title to the asset plus subsequent disbursements related to the asset, less any revenues or lease payments received. Property held for resale is subsequently valued at the lower of the carrying amount and fair value less cost to sell. Losses arising on reduction of the net realizable value are charged to comprehensive income.

Loans to members

Loans are initially recognized at their fair value and subsequently measured at amortized cost. Amortized cost is calculated as the loans' principal amount, less any allowance for anticipated losses, plus accrued interest. Interest revenue is recorded on the accrual basis using the effective interest method. Significant (>\$2,500) loan administration fees are amortized over the term of the loan using the effective interest method. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to the carrying amount of the financial asset.

Syndication

The Credit Union syndicates groups of assets with various other financial institutions primarily to create liquidity and manage regulatory capital for the Credit Union. Syndicated loans transfer substantially all the risks and rewards related to the transferred financial assets and are derecognized from the Credit Union's Statement of Financial Position. All loans syndicated by the Credit Union have been on a fully serviced basis. The Credit Union receives fee income for services provided in the servicing of the transferred financial assets. Fee income is recognized in other income on an accrual basis in relation to the reporting period in which the costs of providing the services are incurred.

Property and equipment and intangible assets with a limited life

Property and equipment and intangible assets with a limited life are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Cost includes expenditures that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. When parts of an item of equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items of equipment.

All assets having limited useful lives are depreciated using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives. Assets are depreciated from the date put in use.

	Rate
Buildings	40 years
Furniture and equipment	2 - 20 years
Computer equipment	3 - 5 years
Leaseholds	10 years
Building improvements	5 years
Parking lot	20 years
Intangible assets (other software)	1 - 10 years
Intangible assets (banking platform)	10 years
Right-of-use buildings	10 years

The residual value, useful life and depreciation method applied to each class of assets are reassessed at each reporting date.

4. Summary of significant accounting policies *(Continued from previous page)*

Impairment of non-financial assets

At the end of each reporting period, the Credit Union reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Credit Union estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating units ("CGU") to which the asset belongs. Where a reasonable and consistent basis of allocation can be identified, corporate assets are also allocated to individual CGU's, or otherwise they are allocated to the smallest group of CGU's for which a reasonable and consistent allocation basis can be identified. Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives and intangible assets not yet available for use are tested for impairment at least annually, and whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset or CGU is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset or CGU is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognized immediately in comprehensive income.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset or CGU is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset or CGU in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognized immediately in comprehensive income.

Deposits from members

Member deposits are initially recognized at fair value, and are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method.

Membership shares

Shares are classified as liabilities or member equity in accordance with their terms. Shares redeemable at the option of the member, either on demand or on withdrawal from membership, are classified as liabilities. Shares redeemable at the discretion of the Credit Union board of directors are classified as equity. Shares redeemable subject to regulatory restrictions are accounted for using the criteria set out in IFRIC 2 *Members' Shares in Cooperative Entities and Similar Instruments*.

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities

Accounts payable are initially recorded at fair value and are subsequently carried at amortized cost, which approximates fair value due to the short term nature of these liabilities.

Income taxes

Current tax and deferred tax are recognized in comprehensive income except to the extent that the tax is recognized either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, or the tax arises from a business combination.

Current tax assets and liabilities for the current and prior periods are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities. The calculation of current tax is based on the tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the assets are realized or the liabilities are settled. The calculation of deferred tax is based on the tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting year. Deferred tax assets are recognized to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilized.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized where the carrying amount of an asset or liability differs from its tax base, except for taxable temporary differences arising on the initial recognition of goodwill and temporary differences arising on the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction which is not a business combination and at the time of the transaction affects neither accounting or taxable income.

4. Summary of significant accounting policies *(Continued from previous page)*

Recognition of deferred tax assets for unused tax losses, tax credits and deductible temporary differences is restricted to those instances where it is probable that future taxable profit will be available which allow the deferred tax asset to be utilized. Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realized.

Leases

The Credit Union assesses at inception of a contract, whether the contract is, or contains a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. To assess whether a contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time, the Credit Union assesses whether the customer has the following through the period of use:

- The right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from use of the identified asset; and
- The right to direct the use of the identified asset.

This policy is applied to contracts entered into, or changed, on or after January 1, 2019.

At the lease commencement date, the Credit Union recognizes a right-of-use asset and a lease liability. The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost. The cost of the right-of-use asset is comprised of the initial amount of the lease liability, any lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentives received, initial direct costs incurred by the Credit Union, and an estimate of the costs to be incurred by the Credit Union in dismantling and removing the underlying asset and restoring the site on which it is located or restoring the underlying asset to the condition required by the terms and conditions of the lease.

After the commencement date, the Credit Union measures right-of-use assets by applying the cost model, whereby the right-of-use asset is measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses and adjusted for any remeasurement of the lease liability. The right-of-use asset is depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date to the end of the lease term or the end of the useful life of the right-of-use asset. The estimated useful life of the right-of-use assets are determined on the same basis as those of property, plant and equipment. The determination of the depreciation period is dependent on whether the Credit Union expects that the ownership of the underlying asset will transfer to the Credit Union by the end of the lease term or if the cost of the right-of-use asset reflects that the Credit Union will exercise a purchase option.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments not paid at the lease commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or the Credit Union's incremental borrowing rate, if the interest rate implicit in the lease cannot be readily determined. The lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise of fixed payments (including in-substance fixed payments) less any lease incentives receivable, variable lease payments that depend on an index or rate, amounts expected to be payable by the Credit Union under a residual value guarantee, the exercise price of a purchase option that the Credit Union is reasonably certain to exercise, and payment of penalties for terminating the lease if the lease term reflects the Credit Union exercising an option to terminate the lease. After the commencement date, the Credit Union measures the lease liability at amortized cost using the effective interest method.

The Credit Union remeasures the lease liability when there is a change in the lease term, a change in the Credit Union's assessment of an option to purchase the underlying asset, a change in the Credit Union's estimate of amounts expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, or a change in future lease payments resulting from a change in an index or a rate used to determine those payments. On remeasurement of the lease liability, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset, or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero.

The Credit Union has elected to not recognize right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for short-term leases and low value leases. Short-term leases are leases with a term of twelve months or less. Low value leases are leases where the underlying asset has a new value of \$5,000 USD or less. The Credit Union recognizes the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on either a straight-line basis over the lease term or another systematic basis if that basis is more representative of the pattern of the lessee's benefit.

Foreign currency translation

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated into the functional currency of the Credit Union at exchange rates prevailing at the transaction dates (spot exchange rates). Monetary assets and liabilities are retranslated at the exchange rates at the statement of financial position date. Exchange gains and losses on translation or settlement are recognized in comprehensive income for the current period.

4. Summary of significant accounting policies *(Continued from previous page)*

Pension plan

The Credit Union participates in a multi-credit union co-operative defined contribution pension plan and recognizes contributions as an expense in the year to which they relate. The amount contributed to the plan for 2020 was \$49,061 (2019 - \$45,322).

Financial instruments

Financial assets

The Credit Union recognizes financial assets when it becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets are measured initially at their fair value plus, in the case of financial assets not subsequently measured at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs that are directly attributable to their acquisition. Transaction costs attributable to the acquisition of financial assets subsequently measured at fair value through profit or loss are expensed in profit or loss when incurred.

Classification and subsequent measurement

On initial recognition, financial assets are classified as subsequently measured at amortized cost, fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) or fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL). The Credit Union determines the classification of its financial assets, together with any embedded derivatives, based on the business model for managing the financial assets and their contractual cash flow characteristics.

Debt instruments are classified as follows:

- Amortized cost - Assets that are held for collection of contractual cash flows where those cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest are measured at amortized cost. Interest revenue is calculated using the effective interest method and gains or losses arising from impairment, foreign exchange and derecognition are recognized in profit or loss. Financial assets measured at amortized cost are comprised of loans to members, other receivables and Central 1 term deposits.
- Fair value through other comprehensive income - Assets that are held for collection of contractual cash flows and for selling the financial assets, and for which the contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest, are measured at fair value through other comprehensive income. Interest income calculated using the effective interest method and gains or losses arising from impairment and foreign exchange are recognized in profit or loss. All other changes in the carrying amount of the financial assets are recognized in other comprehensive income. Upon derecognition, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognized in other comprehensive income is reclassified to profit or loss. The Credit Union does not hold any financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income.
- Fair value through profit or loss - Assets that do not meet the criteria to be measured at amortized cost, or fair value through other comprehensive income, are measured at fair value through profit or loss. All interest income and charges in the financial assets' carrying amount are recognized in profit or loss. The Credit Union measures all equity investments and cash and cash equivalents at fair value. Changes in fair value are recorded in profit or loss. Equity investments measured at fair value through profit or loss are comprised of Central 1 shares and investments in other co-operative entities.

Business model assessment

The Credit Union assesses the objective of its business model for holding a financial asset at a level of aggregation which best reflects the way the business is managed and information is provided to management. Information considered in this assessment includes stated policies and objectives, how performance of the portfolio is evaluated, risks affecting the performance of the business model, how managers of the business are compensated, and the significance and frequency of sales in prior period.

4. Summary of significant accounting policies *(Continued from previous page)*

Contractual cash flow assessment

The cash flows of financial assets are assessed as to whether they are solely payments of principal and interest on the basis of their contractual terms. For this purpose, 'principal' is defined as the fair value of the financial asset on initial recognition. 'Interest' is defined as consideration for the time value of money, credit risk, associated with the principal amount outstanding, and other basic lending risks and costs. In performing this assessment, the Credit Union considers factors that would alter the timing and amount of cash flows such as prepayment and extension features, terms that might limit the Credit Union's claim to cash flows, and any features that modify consideration for the time value of money.

Reclassifications

The Credit Union reclassifies debt instruments only when its business model for managing those financial assets has changed. Reclassifications are applied prospectively from the reclassification date and any previously recognized gains, losses or interest are not restated.

Impairment

Expected credit loss model

The Credit Union's allowance for credit losses follows an expected credit loss ("ECL") impairment model. The ECL impairment model reflects the present value of cash shortfalls related to default events either over the following twelve months, or over the expected life of a financial instrument depending on credit deterioration from inception. The allowance for credit losses reflects an unbiased and probability-weighted amount which considers a variety of scenarios based on reasonable and supportable information. Forward-looking-information ("FLI") is incorporated into the estimation of ECL allowances, which involves significant judgement (see note 18 for additional details). The calculation of ECL allowances is based on the expected value of three probability-weighted scenarios to measure the expected cash shortfalls, discounted at the effective interest rate. A cash shortfall is the difference between the contractual cash flows that are due and the cash flows that the Credit Union expects to receive. The key inputs in the measurement of ECL allowances are as follows:

- The probability of default ("PD") is an estimate of the likelihood of default over a given time horizon;
- The loss given default ("LGD") is an estimate of the loss arising in the case where a default occurs at a given time; and
- The exposure at default ("EAD") is an estimate of the exposure at a future default date.

ECL stage development

On initial recognition of the financial instrument, a loss allowance is recognized and maintained equal to 12 months of ECL. 12-month ECL is defined as the portion of the lifetime expected credit losses that represent the expected credit losses that result from default events on the financial instrument that are possible within 12 months after the reporting date.

If credit risk increases significantly relative to initial recognition of the financial instrument, the loss allowance is increased to cover full lifetime ECL. In assessing whether credit risk has increased significantly, the Credit Union compares the risk of default occurring on the financial instrument as at the reporting date, with the risk of default occurring on the financial instrument as at the date of initial recognition. Evidence of increased credit risk is observed when the financial instrument is 30 days past due on its contractual payment obligations or the financial instrument has had an unfavourable movement in internal risk ratings. In subsequent reporting periods, if the credit risk of the financial instrument improves such that there is no longer a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, the Credit Union reverts to recognizing 12 months of ECL.

When a financial instrument is considered credit-impaired, the loss allowance continues to reflect lifetime expected credit losses and interest revenue is calculated based on the carrying amount of the asset, net of the loss allowance, rather than its gross carrying amount. The Credit Union considers a financial instrument as impaired when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of that financial instrument have occurred after its initial recognition. Evidence of impairment includes indications that the borrower is experiencing significant financial difficulties, or a default or delinquency over 90 days has occurred. Under IFRS 9, all financial instruments on which repayment of principal or payment of interest is contractually 90 days in arrears is automatically considered impaired.

Recognition

The Credit Union recognizes a loss allowance for the expected credit losses associated with its financial assets, other than debt instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss and equity investments. Expected credit losses are measured to reflect a probability-weighted amount, the time value of money, and reasonable and supportable information regarding past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions.

4. Summary of significant accounting policies *(Continued from previous page)*

For member loans receivable the Credit Union records a loss allowance equal to the expected credit losses resulting from default events that are possible within the next 12-month period, unless there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition. For those financial assets for which the Credit Union assessed that a significant increase in credit risk has occurred, the Credit Union records a loss allowance equal to the expected credit losses resulting from all possible default events over the assets' contractual lifetime.

The Credit Union assesses whether a financial asset is credit-impaired at the reporting date. Regular indicators that a financial instrument is credit-impaired include significant financial difficulties as evidenced through borrowing patterns or observed balances in other accounts, breaches of borrowing contracts such as default events or breaches of borrowing covenants, and requests to restructure loan payment schedules. For financial assets assessed as credit-impaired at the reporting date, the Credit Union continues to recognize a loss allowance equal to lifetime expected credit losses.

Loss allowances for expected credit losses are presented in the statement of financial position as a deduction from the gross carrying amount of the financial asset.

Financial assets are written off when the Credit Union has no reasonable expectations of recovering all or any portion thereof.

Derecognition of financial assets

The Credit Union derecognizes a financial asset when its contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or the financial asset has been transferred under particular circumstances.

For this purpose, a financial asset is transferred if the Credit Union either transfers the right to receive the contractual cash flows of the financial asset, or retains the right to receive the contractual cash flows of the financial asset, but assumes an obligation to pay received cash flows in full to one or more third parties without material delay and is prohibited from further selling or transferring the financial asset.

Transferred financial assets are evaluated to determine the extent to which the Credit Union retains the risks and rewards of ownership. When the Credit Union neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset, it evaluates whether it has retained control of the financial asset.

Modification of financial assets

The Credit Union assesses the modification of terms of a financial asset to evaluate whether its contractual rights to the cash flows from that asset have expired in accordance with the Credit Union's derecognition policy.

When the modifications do not result in derecognition of the financial asset, the gross carrying amount of the financial asset is recalculated with any difference between the previous carrying amount and the new carrying amount recognized in profit or loss. The new gross carrying amount is recalculated as the present value of the modified contractual cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate.

For the purpose of applying the impairment requirements, at each reporting date subsequent to the modification, the Credit Union continues to assess whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk on the modified financial assets from the date of initial recognition.

Financial instruments - financial liabilities

Recognition and initial measurement

The Credit Union recognizes a financial liability when it becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. At initial recognition, the Credit Union measures financial liabilities at their fair value plus transaction costs that are directly attributable to their issuance, with the exception of financial liabilities subsequently measured at fair value through profit or loss for which transaction costs are immediately recorded in profit or loss.

Where an instrument contains both a liability and equity component, these components are recognized separately based on the substance of the instrument, with the liability component measured initially at fair value and the equity component assigned the residual amount.

Classification and subsequent measurement

Financial instruments classified as other financial liabilities include all member deposits, borrowings, and payables and accruals. All financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value.

4. Summary of significant accounting policies *(Continued from previous page)*

Subsequent to initial recognition, financial liabilities are measured at amortized cost. Financial liabilities are not reclassified subsequent to initial recognition.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

The Credit Union derecognizes a financial liability only when its contractual obligations are discharged, cancelled or expire.

Revenue Recognition

The following describes the Credit Union's principal activities from which it generates revenue:

Investment income

Investment income is recognized as interest is earned on interest-bearing investments, and when dividends are declared on shares.

Interest

Interest income and expense are recognized in profit or loss using the effective interest method.

The 'effective interest rate' is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments over the expected life of the financial instrument to the gross carrying amount of the financial asset or the amortized cost of the financial liability. The effective interest rate is calculated considering all contractual terms of the financial instruments, except for the expected credit losses of financial assets.

The 'amortized cost' of a financial asset or financial liability is the amount at which the instrument is measured on initial recognition minus principal repayments, plus or minus any cumulative amortization using the effective interest method of any difference between the initial amount and maturity amount and adjusted for any expected credit loss allowance. The 'gross carrying amount' of a financial asset is the amortized cost of a financial asset before adjusting for any expected credit losses.

Interest income and expense is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of the financial asset (when the asset is not credit-impaired) or the amortized cost of the financial liability.

Where a financial asset has become credit-impaired subsequent to initial recognition, interest income is calculated in subsequent periods by applying the effective interest method to the amortized cost of the financial asset. If the asset subsequently ceases to be credit-impaired, calculation of interest income reverts to the gross basis.

Other income

Revenue from the provision of services to members is recognized when earned, specifically when amounts are fixed or can be determined and the ability to collect is reasonably assured.

Fair value measurements

The Credit Union classifies fair value measurements recognized in the statement of financial position using a three-tier fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the inputs used in measuring fair value as follows:

- Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) are available in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices in active markets that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs in which there is little or no market data, which require the Credit Union to develop its own assumptions.

Fair value measurements are classified in the fair value hierarchy based on the lowest level input that is significant to that fair value measurement. This assessment requires judgment, considering factors specific to an asset or a liability and may affect placement within the fair value hierarchy.

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5. Cash and cash equivalents

	2020	2019
Cash on hand	913,800	819,929
Cash held with Central 1	12,421,204	2,915,749
Term deposits maturing in three months or less	3,050,344	-
	16,385,348	3,735,678

Total cash and cash equivalents include \$1,201,919 (2019 - \$417,571) in US currency denominated in Canadian dollars.

Liquidity reserve deposit

The Credit Union is required to always maintain on deposit at Central 1 an amount equal to 8% of the Credit Union's total deposits and borrowings less cash holdings of up to 1% of the Credit Union's aggregate deposit and other debt liabilities. The liquidity reserve deposit bears interest at a rate which is fixed periodically and is callable by the Credit Union on ninety days notice. At December 31, 2020, the Credit Union liquidity deposits equal 17.9% (2019 - 14.4%) of the Credit Union's total deposits and borrowings less any cash on hand. At December 31, 2020, the Credit Union deposits exceeded the minimum required by \$17,138,000 (2019 - \$10,204,000).

6. Investments

	2020	2019
Shares:		
Central 1	664,023	696,039
CUPP Services Ltd.	66,406	66,406
Other	132	132
Term deposits maturing after three months	14,653,109	19,158,755
	15,383,670	19,921,332

On January 4, 2021, term deposits, totalling \$13,676,227, were redeemed and reinvested in high quality liquid assets (Note 21).

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7. Loans to members

Principal and allowance by loan type:

	<i>2020</i>		
	Principal	Allowance for credit losses (Note 19)	Net carrying value
Mortgages	122,863,633	67,426	122,796,207
Personal	16,632,390	226,199	16,406,191
Commercial	13,996,130	247,503	13,748,627
Accrued interest	293,881	-	293,881
Total	153,786,034	541,128	153,244,906

	<i>2019</i>		
	Principal	Allowance for credit losses	Net carrying value
Mortgages	116,869,569	232,882	116,636,687
Personal	16,873,921	126,375	16,747,546
Commercial	12,947,565	65,979	12,881,586
Accrued interest	280,993	-	280,993
Total	146,972,048	425,236	146,546,812

Canadian Emergency Business Accounting Funding

During the year, the Credit Union disbursed Canada Emergency Business Account (CEBA) loans as approved by Export Development Canada. Administered on behalf of the government, the Credit Union bears no risks or benefits related to these loans which totalled \$2,320,000 at year-end (2019 – Nil). Accordingly, these loans have been treated as an off-balance item netted by the corresponding government payable in the same amount.

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8. Property and equipment

	<i>Land</i>	<i>Parking lot</i>	<i>Buildings</i>	<i>Leasehold improvements</i>	<i>Computer equipment</i>	<i>Furniture and equipment</i>	<i>Right-of-use buildings</i>	<i>Total</i>
Cost								
Balance at January 1, 2019	215,563	53,243	2,243,247	52,302	2,073,531	635,401	-	5,273,287
Additions	-	7,322	9,351	401,103	129,083	78,922	308,339	934,120
Disposals	-	-	-	-	(8,086)	-	-	(8,086)
Balance at December 31, 2019	215,563	60,565	2,252,598	453,405	2,194,528	714,323	308,339	6,199,321
Balance at January 1, 2020	215,563	60,565	2,252,598	453,405	2,194,528	714,323	308,339	6,199,321
Additions	-	-	19,898	-	109,287	-	-	129,185
Balance at December 31, 2020	215,563	60,565	2,272,496	453,405	2,303,815	714,323	308,339	6,328,506
Depreciation								
Balance at January 1, 2019	-	39,572	1,276,113	21,784	1,752,676	575,780	-	3,665,925
Depreciation	-	6,988	43,322	36,913	106,527	32,418	-	226,168
Depreciation - right-of-use buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	20,556	20,556
Disposals	-	-	-	-	(5,194)	-	-	(5,194)
Balance at December 31, 2019	-	46,560	1,319,435	58,697	1,854,009	608,198	20,556	3,907,455
Balance at January 1, 2020	-	46,560	1,319,435	58,697	1,854,009	608,198	20,556	3,907,455
Depreciation	-	7,202	47,177	50,283	94,579	40,183	-	239,424
Depreciation - right-of-use buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	30,834	30,834
Balance at December 31, 2020	-	53,762	1,366,612	108,980	1,948,588	648,381	51,390	4,177,713
Net book value								
At December 31, 2019	215,563	14,005	933,163	394,708	340,519	106,125	287,783	2,291,866
At December 31, 2020	215,563	6,803	905,884	344,425	355,227	65,942	256,949	2,150,793

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9. **Intangible assets**

	<i>Banking platform</i>
Cost	
Balance at January 1, 2019	1,653,679
Additions	15,493
Balance at December 31, 2019	1,669,172
Balance at January 1, 2020	1,669,172
Balance at December 31, 2020	1,669,172
Depreciation	
Balance at January 1, 2019	349,077
Depreciation	176,114
Balance at December 31, 2019	525,191
Balance at January 1, 2020	525,191
Depreciation	177,095
Balance at December 31, 2020	702,286
Net book value	
At December 31, 2019	1,143,981
At December 31, 2020	966,886

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10. Member deposits

	2020	2019
Chequing	43,722,266	32,252,733
Savings	39,121,629	35,688,874
Term deposits	53,939,509	56,970,013
Registered plans	35,966,852	32,693,052
Accrued interest	1,006,128	1,051,914
	173,756,384	158,656,586

Total member deposits include \$1,104,107 (2019 - \$430,910) of US dollar deposits denominated in Canadian dollars.

11. Borrowings

The Credit Union has operating lines of credit available with Central 1 for \$1,500,000 CDN and \$100,000 USD. The Credit Union has a term loan arrangement with Central 1 for \$13,000,000. At December 31, 2020, there was \$3,005,452 (2019 - \$4,500,000) funds borrowed under the agreements. A debenture charge on certain assets of the Credit Union has been provided as security.

12. Lease liability

Leases as lessee

The Credit Union leases one building. The lease term spans 5 years and includes an option to renew the lease for one consecutive five year term.

Right-of-use buildings

Right-of-use buildings of the Credit Union have been presented with property and equipment in the statement of financial position.

Lease liability

The following table sets out a maturity analysis of the lease liability:

	2020
Maturity analysis – contractual undiscounted cash flows	
Less than one year	34,830
One to five years	139,320
More than five years	116,100
	290,250
Total undiscounted lease liabilities at December 31, 2020	290,250
Lease liabilities included in the statement of financial position at December 31, 2020	272,134

In 2020 the Credit Union recognized \$6,849 (2019 - \$4,946) in interest expense on lease liability in income.

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13. Income tax

Reasons for the difference between income tax expense for the year and the expected income taxes based on the statutory tax rate of 27% (2019 - 27%) are as follows:

	2020	2019
Income tax at the statutory rate	248,599	54,051
Items not deductible for tax purposes	324,412	274,019
Items deductible for tax purposes	(226,531)	(301,027)
Preferred rate deduction	(108,485)	-
Small business deduction	(31,746)	(18,067)
	206,249	8,976

The movement in 2020 deferred income tax assets (liabilities) are:

	Jan 1, 2020	Recognized in income	Dec 31, 2020
Deferred income tax assets (liabilities):			
Allowance for credit losses	48,000	16,000	64,000
Property and equipment	(229,000)	32,000	(197,000)
Other	44,000	(10,000)	34,000
	(137,000)	38,000	(99,000)

The movements in 2019 deferred income tax assets (liabilities) are:

	Jan 1, 2019	Recognized in income	Dec 31, 2019
Deferred income tax assets (liabilities):			
Allowance for credit losses	34,000	14,000	48,000
Property and equipment	(239,000)	10,000	(229,000)
Other	57,000	(13,000)	44,000
	(148,000)	11,000	(137,000)

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14. Membership shares

Authorized:

Unlimited number of Class A membership shares

Issued:

	2020	2019
Membership shares classified as liabilities		
Class A shares	211,131	217,954

Membership shares are classified as liabilities in accordance with IFRIC 2 are redeemable at the option of the member, either on demand or on withdrawal from membership. The total amount of shares that are redeemable at December 31, 2020 as part of the Credit Union's regulatory capital requirements are classified as liabilities.

Terms and conditions

The Credit Union is authorized to issue an unlimited number of non-transferable, voting membership shares, redeemable at par value of \$1. With certain exceptions, all members are required to own a minimum number of Class A membership shares which, under certain occurrences, are redeemable at the option of the member.

Class A membership shares are not guaranteed by the Credit Union Deposit Insurance Corporation of British Columbia.

15. Other operating income

	2020	2019
Commissions and fees	148,848	157,192
Administration charges	123,388	97,234
Account service fees	646,274	697,695
Financial planner commissions	115,133	98,583
Safety deposit box rental	19,721	15,505
Miscellaneous income	226,758	40,138
Foreign exchange gain	13,880	10,028
	1,294,002	1,116,375

16. Related party transactions

Key management compensation of the Credit Union

Key management of the Credit Union are defined by IAS 24 *Related Party Disclosures* as those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Credit Union, including directors and management.

Key management personnel ("KMP") remuneration includes the following expenses:

	2020	2019
Salary and short term benefits	446,241	471,634
Post-employment benefits	14,210	12,915
	460,451	484,549

Directors in their capacity as Directors, received remuneration of \$24,120 (2019 - \$55,409) and expense reimbursements of \$25,500 (2019 - \$52,271).

Transactions with key management personnel

There are no loans that are impaired in relation to loan balances with KMP.

There are no benefits or concessional terms and conditions applicable to KMP and their family members. There are no loans that are impaired in relation to the loan balances with family or relatives of KMP.

	2020	2019
Loans to KMP	1,791,060	1,821,215

	2020	2019
During the year the aggregate value of loans disbursed to KMP amounted to:		
Loans to KMP	75,000	579,900

	2020	2019
Interest and other revenue earned on loans and revolving credit facilities to KMP	47,768	48,783
Interest paid on deposits to KMP	33,695	45,830

	2020	2019
The total value of member deposits from KMP as at the year-end:		
Member deposits	2,332,670	2,034,606
Membership shares	4,480	5,261
	2,337,150	2,039,867

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17. Capital requirements and management

In managing its capital, the Credit Union's primary objective is to ensure it maintains adequate liquidity to meet its financial obligations, make necessary capital purchases and support ongoing business. The Credit Union monitors and assesses its financial performance to ensure it is meeting its objectives.

The Financial Institutions Act (British Columbia) requires the Credit Union to maintain, at all times, a capital base which is adequate in relation to the business carried on. The level of capital required is based on a prescribed percentage of the total value of risk weighted assets, each asset of the Credit Union being assigned a risk factor based on the probability that a loss may be incurred on the ultimate realization of that asset.

The Financial Institutions Act (British Columbia) regulations prescribe that the minimum required capital ratio exceeds 8.0% for the Credit Union's fiscal year. At December 31, 2020, the Credit Union's capital ratio is 17.64% (2019 - 17.44%), exceeding the minimum requirement.

The Credit Union considers its capital to include membership shares and retained earnings. There have been no changes in what the Credit Union considers to be capital since the previous period.

The Credit Union establishes the risk weighted value of its assets in accordance with the Financial Institutions Act, which establishes the applicable percentage for each class of assets.

	<i>2020</i>	<i>2019</i>
Primary capital		
Retained earnings	10,112,200	9,359,713
Membership shares	211,131	217,954
Deferred income tax liability	99,000	137,000
Dividends to be paid as primary capital	7,000	10,617
	10,429,331	9,725,284
Secondary capital		
Share of system retained earnings	1,822,213	1,717,181
Deductions from capital	(966,886)	(1,143,981)
Capital base	11,284,658	10,298,484

18. Fair value measurements

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value

The Credit Union's assets and liabilities measured at fair value in the statement of financial position on a recurring basis have been categorized into the fair value hierarchy as follows:

	<i>Fair Value</i> <i>('000s)</i>	<i>Level 1</i> <i>('000s)</i>	<i>Level 2</i> <i>('000s)</i>	<i>2020</i> <i>Level 3</i> <i>('000s)</i>
Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	13,335	13,335	-	-
Investments - shares	731	-	731	-
Total recurring fair value measurements	14,066	13,335	731	-

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18. **Fair value measurements** (Continued from previous page)

	<i>Fair Value</i>	<i>Level 1</i>	<i>Level 2</i>	<i>2019 Level 3</i>
	('000s)	('000s)	('000s)	('000s)
Assets				
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss				
Cash and cash equivalents	3,736	3,736	-	-
Investments - shares	792	-	792	-
Total recurring fair value measurements	4,528	3,736	792	-

Level 2 fair value measurements

Valuation techniques and inputs for recurring Level 2 fair value measurements are as follows:

<i>Line item</i>	<i>Valuation technique(s)</i>	<i>Inputs</i>
	Fair value approximates par value for shares as transactions occur at par value on a regular and recurring basis.	
Investments - shares		Value of shares

Non-recurring fair value measurements

The Credit Union's assets and liabilities measured at amortized cost in the statement of financial position have been categorized into the fair value hierarchy as follows:

	<i>Fair Value</i>	<i>Level 1</i>	<i>Level 2</i>	<i>2020 Level 3</i>
	('000s)	('000s)	('000s)	('000s)
Assets				
Loans to members	154,821	-	154,821	-
Investments - Central 1 term deposits	17,703	-	17,703	-
Total financial assets	172,524	-	172,524	-
Liabilities				
Deposits from members	175,628	-	175,628	-
Borrowings	3,005	-	3,005	-
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	667	-	667	-
Membership shares	211	-	-	211
Total financial liabilities	179,511	-	179,300	211

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18. Fair value measurements (Continued from previous page)

	Fair Value ('000s)	Level 1 ('000s)	Level 2 ('000s)	2019 Level 3 ('000s)
Assets				
Loans to members	143,384	-	143,384	-
Investments - Central 1 term deposits	19,337	-	19,337	-
Total financial assets	162,721	-	162,721	-
Liabilities				
Deposits from members	155,636	-	155,636	-
Borrowings	4,500	-	4,500	-
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	733	-	733	-
Membership shares	218	-	-	218
Total financial liabilities	161,087	-	160,869	218

19. Financial instruments

All significant financial assets, financial liabilities and equity instruments of the Credit Union are either recognized or disclosed in the financial statements together with other information relevant for making a reasonable assessment of future cash flows, interest rate risk and credit risk.

Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss resulting from the failure of a borrower or counterparty to honour its financial or contractual obligations to the Credit Union. Credit risk primarily arises from member loans receivable, investments in debt securities, and the Credit Union's lending activities.

Risk management process

Credit risk management is integral to the Credit Union's activities. The Board of Directors are responsible for developing and implementing the credit risk management practices of the Credit Union by establishing the relevant policies and procedures. Management carefully monitors and manages the Credit Union's exposure to credit risk by reviewing member credit extension policies and guidelines and reviewing the performance of loan portfolios, including default events and past due status. The risk management process starts at the time of a member credit application and continues until the loan is fully repaid. The primary credit risk management policies and procedures include the following:

- Loan security (collateral) requirements
- Security valuation processes, including method used to determine the value of real property and personal property when that property is subject to a mortgage or other charge
- Maximum loan to value ratios where a mortgage or other charge on real or personal property is taken as security
- Borrowing member capacity (repayment ability) requirements
- Borrowing member character requirements
- Limits on aggregate credit exposure per individual and related parties
- Limits on concentration of credit risk by loan type, industry and economic sector
- Limits on the types of credit facilities and services offered
- Internal loan approval processes and loan documentation standards
- Loan re-negotiation, extension and renewal processes
- Processes that identify adverse situations and trends, including risks associated with economic, geographic and industry sectors
- Control and monitoring processes including portfolio risk identification and delinquency tolerances
- Timely loan analysis processes to identify, access and manage delinquent and impaired loans
- Collection processes that include action plans for deteriorating loans
- Overdraft control and administration processes
- Loan syndication processes.

19. Financial Instruments *(Continued from previous page)*

The Credit Union's credit risk policies, processes and methodologies are reviewed periodically to ensure they remain relevant and effective in managing credit risk.

To meet the needs of its members and to manage its own exposure to fluctuations in interest rates, the Credit Union participates in various commitments and contingent liability contracts. The primary purpose of these contracts is to make funds available for the financing needs of customers. These are subject to normal credit standards, financial controls, risk management and monitoring procedures.

Inputs, assumptions and techniques

Definition of default and assessments of credit risk

Financial instruments are assessed at each reporting date for a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition. This assessment considers changes in the risk of a default occurring at the reporting date as compared to the date of initial recognition.

The Credit Union considers loans and advances to be in default when contractual payments are more than 90 days past due or other objective evidence of impairment exists, such as notification from the borrower or breach of major covenants. This definition is consistent with the definitions used for the Credit Union's internal credit risk management practices and has been selected because it most closely aligns the definition of default to the Credit Union's past credit experience, and the covenants placed in standard borrowing contracts. Relatively few financial instruments subsequently return to performing status after a default has occurred under this definition without further intervention on the part of the Credit Union.

Changes in credit risk are assessed on the basis of the risk that a default will occur over the contractual lifetime of the financial instrument rather than based on changes in the amount of expected credit losses or other factors. In making this assessment the Credit Union takes into account all reasonable and supportable information, including forward-looking information, available without undue cost or effort. The Credit Union considers past due information of its balances and information about the borrower available through regular dealings, such as requests for loan modifications.

The credit risk of a financial instrument is deemed to have significantly increased since initial recognition when contractual payments have exceeded 30 days past due, or other information becomes available to management (e.g., through the course of regular credit reviews, communication with the borrower or forecasting processes which consider macroeconomic conditions expected to have a future impact on borrowers).

The Credit Union identifies credit-impaired financial assets through regular reviews of past due balances and credit assessments of its members. Credit-impaired financial assets are typically placed on the Credit Union's watch list based on its internal credit risk policies. In making this assessment, the Credit Union considers past due information of its balances and information about the borrower available through regular dealings.

Measurement of expected credit losses

The Credit Union measures expected credit losses for member loans receivable on a group basis. These assets are grouped on the basis of their shared risk characteristics such as loan type. Otherwise, expected credit losses are measured on an individual basis.

When measuring 12-month and lifetime expected credit losses, the Credit Union considers items such as the contractual period of the financial asset or the period for which the entity is exposed to credit risk, determination of appropriate discount rates used in incorporating the time value of money, assumptions about prepayments, timing and extent of missed payments or default events, how probabilities of default and other assumptions and inputs used in calculating the amount of cash short falls depending on the type or class of financial instrument. Forward-looking information is incorporated into the determination of expected credit loss by considering regional economic journals and forecasts, collecting information available from regular commercial dealings with its customers and other publicly available information and considering the effect such information could have on any assumptions or inputs used in the measurement of expected credit losses, determining significant increases in credit risk or identifying a credit-impaired financial asset.

Significant judgments, estimates and assumptions are required when calculating the expected credit losses of financial assets. In measuring the 12-month and lifetime expected credit losses, management makes assumptions about prepayments, the timing and extent of missed payments or default events. In addition, management makes assumptions and estimates about the impact that future events may have on the historical data used to measure expected credit losses.

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Write-offs

Financial assets are written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovery. The Credit Union assesses that there is no reasonable expectation of recovery when the security relating to the loan has been sold and there are remaining amounts outstanding, the borrower has filed for bankruptcy and the trustee has indicated that no additional funds will be paid. Where an asset has been written off but is still subject to enforcement activity, the asset is written off but remains on a list of delinquent accounts. Where information becomes available indicating the Credit Union will receive funds, such amounts are recognized at their fair value.

Significant Increase in Credit Risk – COVID-19 Impact

There are judgments involved in determining whether or not there is a significant increase in credit risk resulting in loans moving between stages of expected credit loss and, therefore, being subject to different expected credit loss models. Due to the ongoing pandemic, the Credit Union has implemented programs to allow for the deferral of payments on loans to members in certain circumstances. With respect to those loans where the member has taken advantage of the loan payment deferral programs, the Credit Union has assessed whether this is indicative of a significant increase in credit risk, including consideration on whether this is indicative of a short-term change or an increase in the risk the member will default over the life of the loan.

Exposure to credit risk

The following table sets out information about the credit quality of financial assets assessed for impairment under IFRS 9 *Financial instruments*. The amounts in the table, unless otherwise indicated, represent the assets' gross carrying amount.

Except as noted below, the gross carrying amount represents the maximum exposure to credit risk for that class of financial asset.

	2020			<i>Total</i>
	<i>12-month ECL</i>	<i>Lifetime ECL (not credit impaired)</i>	<i>Lifetime ECL (credit impaired)</i>	
Mortgages				
Low risk	100,926,195	-	-	100,926,195
Medium risk	-	21,937,438	-	21,937,438
Default	-	-	-	-
Total gross carrying amount	100,926,195	21,937,438	-	122,863,633
Less: allowance for credit losses	33,300	34,126	-	67,426
Total carrying amount	100,892,895	21,903,312	-	122,796,207
Personal				
Low risk	15,560,671	-	-	15,560,671
Medium risk	-	890,484	-	890,484
Default	-	-	181,235	181,235
Total gross carrying amount	15,560,671	890,484	181,235	16,632,390
Less: allowance for credit losses	33,262	11,702	181,235	226,199
Total carrying amount	15,527,409	878,782	-	16,406,191

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	2020			
	12-month ECL	Lifetime ECL (not credit impaired)	Lifetime ECL (credit impaired)	Total
Commercial				
Low risk	10,508,588	-	-	10,508,588
Medium risk	-	3,487,542	-	3,487,542
Default	-	-	-	-
Total gross carrying amount	10,508,588	3,487,542	-	13,996,130
Less: allowance for credit losses	97,435	150,068	-	247,503
Total carrying amount	10,411,153	3,337,474	-	13,748,627
Total gross carrying amount	126,995,454	26,315,464	181,235	153,492,153
Less: allowance for credit losses	163,997	195,896	181,235	541,128
Add: accrued interest	-	-	-	293,881
Total carrying amount	126,831,457	26,119,568	-	153,244,906
	2019			
	12-month ECL	Lifetime ECL (not credit impaired)	Lifetime ECL (credit impaired)	Total
Mortgages				
Low risk	105,788,496	-	-	105,788,496
Medium risk	-	11,019,023	-	11,019,023
Default	-	-	62,050	62,050
Total gross carrying amount	105,788,496	11,019,023	62,050	116,869,569
Less: allowance for credit losses	99,594	72,283	61,005	232,882
Total carrying amount	105,688,902	10,946,740	1,045	116,636,687
Personal				
Low risk	16,578,924	-	-	16,578,924
Medium risk	-	195,729	-	195,729
Default	-	-	99,268	99,268
Total gross carrying amount	16,578,924	195,729	99,268	16,873,921
Less: allowance for credit losses	27,078	1,701	97,596	126,375
Total carrying amount	16,551,846	194,028	1,672	16,747,546

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	12-month ECL	Lifetime ECL (not credit impaired)	Lifetime ECL (credit impaired)	Total
Commercial				
Low risk	10,363,193	-	-	10,363,193
Medium risk	-	2,584,372	-	2,584,372
Default	-	-	-	-
Total gross carrying amount	10,363,193	2,584,372	-	12,947,565
Less: allowance for credit losses	29,423	36,556	-	65,979
Total carrying amount	10,333,770	2,547,816	-	12,881,586
Total gross carrying amount	132,730,613	13,799,124	161,318	146,691,055
Less: allowance for credit losses	156,095	110,540	158,601	425,236
Add: accrued interest	-	-	-	280,993
Total carrying amount	132,574,518	13,688,584	2,717	146,546,812

Amounts arising from expected credit losses

Reconciliation of the loss allowance

The following tables show a reconciliation of the opening to the closing balance of the allowance for credit losses by class of financial instrument.

	12-month ECL	Lifetime ECL (not credit impaired)	Lifetime ECL (credit impaired)	Total
Allowance for loan impairment				
Balance at January 1, 2019	135,797	47,369	143,729	326,895
Transfer to 12-month ECL	43,997	-	(43,997)	-
Transfer to lifetime ECL (not credit impaired)	-	13,048	(13,048)	-
Write-offs	(94,477)	-	-	(94,477)
Provision for credit losses	70,778	50,123	71,917	192,818
Balance at December 31, 2019	156,095	110,540	158,601	425,236
Balance at January 1, 2020	156,095	110,540	158,601	425,236
Transfer to 12-month ECL	-	-	-	-
Transfer to lifetime ECL (not credit impaired)	-	-	-	-
Transfer to lifetime ECL (credit impaired)	-	-	-	-
Write-offs	-	-	(93,909)	(93,909)
Provision for credit losses	7,902	85,356	116,543	209,801
Balance at December 31, 2020	163,997	195,896	181,235	541,128

Credit commitments

The Credit Union participates in various commitments and contingent liability contracts. The primary purpose of these contracts is to make funds available for the financing needs of customers. These are subject to normal credit standards, financial controls, risk management and monitoring procedures. The contractual amounts of these credit instruments represent the maximum credit risk exposure without taking into account the fair value of any collateral, in the event other parties fail to perform their obligations under these instruments.

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The Credit Union makes the following instruments available to its members:

- Guarantees and standby letters of credit representing irrevocable assurances that the Credit Union will pay if a member cannot meet their obligations to a third party
- Commitments to extend credit representing unused portions of authorizations to extend credit in the form of loans, lines of credit, guarantees or letters of credit.

The amounts shown on the table below do not necessarily represent future cash requirements since many commitments will expire or terminate without being funded.

As at year-end, the Credit Union had the following outstanding financial instruments subject to credit risk:

	2020	2019
Guarantees and standby letters of credit	36,000	46,000
Commitments to extend credit	13,876,961	12,538,797
Outstanding guarantees of Mastercard balances	181,000	179,750

Market risk

Market risk is the risk of loss in value of financial instruments that may arise from changes in market factors such as interest rates, equity prices and credit spreads. The Credit Union's exposure changes depending on market conditions. Market risks that have a significant impact on the Credit Union include fair value risk and interest rate risk. The Credit Union is not significantly exposed to currency risk or other price risk.

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk relates to the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Credit Union incurs interest rate risk on its loans and other interest bearing financial instruments. The Credit Union does not hedge its interest rate risk. See below for further information on interest rate sensitivity. The resulting impact from COVID-19 to the Credit Union's margin has been, and will continue to be, monitored constantly.

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Contractual repricing and maturity

All financial instruments are reported in the schedule below based on the earlier of their contractual repricing date or maturity date. The schedule below does not identify management's expectations of future events where repricing and maturity dates differ from contractual dates.

					2020	2019
	<i>Within three months</i>	<i>Four months to one year</i>	<i>Over one year to five years</i>	<i>Non-Interest Sensitive</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Total</i>
Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	14,841,494	-	-	1,543,854	16,385,348	3,735,678
Average yield %	0.36	-	-	-	0.33	1.27
Investments	-	3,500,000	11,067,000	816,670	15,383,670	19,951,035
Average yield %	-	2.48	2.11	-	2.08	2.22
Loans to members	20,943,264	12,719,652	119,581,990	-	153,244,906	146,546,812
Average yield %	4.35	4.60	3.51	-	3.66	4.07
	35,784,758	16,219,652	130,648,990	2,360,524	185,013,924	170,233,525
Liabilities						
Deposits from members	57,510,807	21,161,710	48,031,298	47,052,569	173,756,384	158,656,586
Average yield %	0.86	1.49	2.09	-	1.04	1.45
Borrowings	3,005,452	-	-	-	3,005,452	4,500,000
Average yield %	0.99	-	-	-	0.99	2.08
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	-	-	-	667,060	667,060	733,194
Membership shares	-	-	-	211,131	211,131	217,954
Lease liability	7,104	21,576	243,454	-	272,134	294,085
Average yield %	2.47	2.47	2.47	-	2.47	-
	60,523,363	21,183,286	48,274,752	47,930,760	177,912,161	164,401,819
Net sensitivity	(24,738,605)	(4,963,634)	82,374,238	(45,570,236)	7,101,763	5,831,706

Based on the current financial instruments, it is estimated that a 1% increase in the interest rate would increase financial margin by \$157,600 (2019 - \$23,400). A 1% decrease in the interest rate would decrease financial margin by \$153,600 (2019 - \$38,000).

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk arises from the inability to generate or obtain the necessary cash or cash equivalents in a timely manner, at a reasonable price, to meet commitments as they come due. In particular, the risk arises from failure to meet the Credit Union's day-to-day obligations, including claims on the Credit Union and operational demands.

The Credit Union uses different risk management processes to manage liquidity risk. The acceptable amount of risk is defined by policies approved by the board and monitored by the Investment & Lending Committee.

The assessment of the Credit Union's liquidity position reflects management's estimates, assumptions and judgment pertaining to current and prospective specific and market conditions and the related behaviour of its members and counterparties.

The Credit Union manages its liquidity position from three perspectives:

- Structural liquidity risk, which addresses the risk due to mismatches in effective maturities between assets and liabilities, more specifically the risk of over reliance on short-term liabilities to fund long-term illiquid assets;
- Tactical liquidity risk, which addresses the day-to-day funding requirements;
- Contingent liquidity risk, which assess the impact of sudden stressful events and the Credit Union's responses thereto.

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The primary liquidity risk policies and procedures include the following:

- Liquidity risk management framework to measure and control liquidity risk exposure;
- Measurement of cashflows;
- Maintain a line of credit and borrowing facility with Central 1;
- Maintenance of a pool of high quality liquid assets;
- Monitoring of single deposits and sources of deposits;
- Monitoring of term deposits.

20. Comparative figures

Certain prior year figures have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation.

21. Events after the reporting period

On January 4, 2021, the segregation of the mandatory liquidity pool maintained by Central 1 Credit Union was finalized. The deposits held in the mandatory liquidity pool by the Credit Union of \$13.7 million were redeemed in exchange for a portfolio of high quality liquid assets invested through the Credit Union's Trust.

In addition, subsequent to segregation, Central 1 Class F shares of \$602,367 were redeemed at par in cash to the Credit Union.

The segregation of the mandatory liquidity pool on January 4, 2021 resulted in a gain on redemption recorded in the 2021 fiscal year.