

Annual Report 2017

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**BARBADOS PUBLIC WORKERS'
CO-OPERATIVE CREDIT UNION LIMITED**



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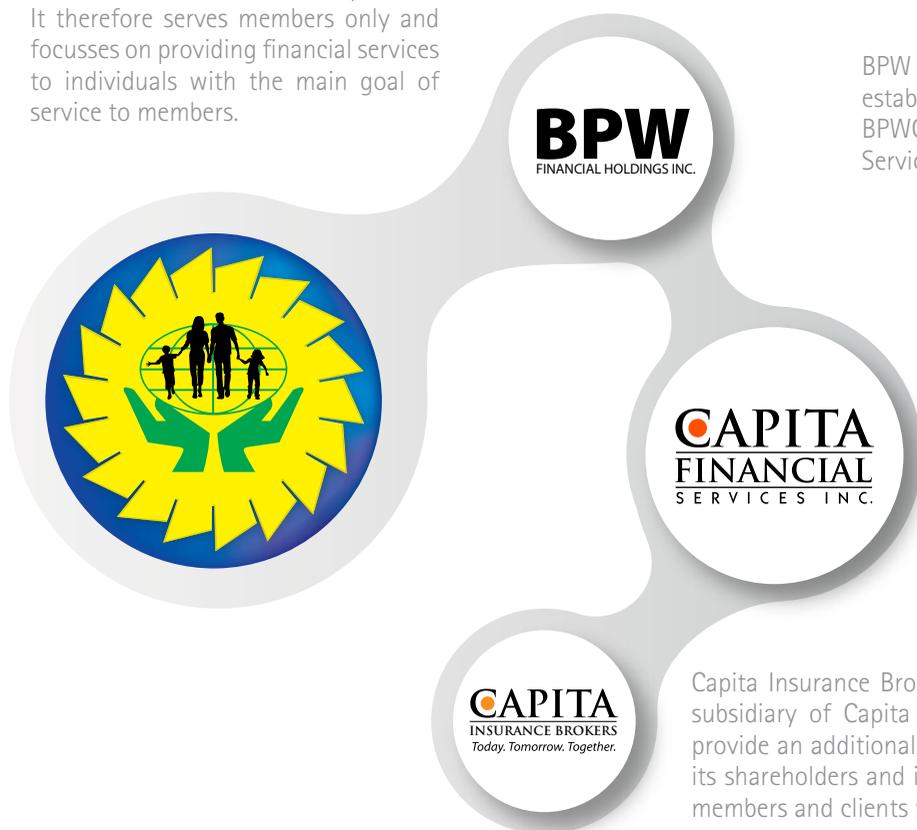
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ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

Barbados Public Workers' Co-operative Credit Union Limited (BPWCCUL) is a member based financial co-operative. It therefore serves members only and focusses on providing financial services to individuals with the main goal of service to members.



BPW
FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC.

BPW Financial Holdings Inc. was established to hold the shares of BPWCCUL's subsidiary Capita Financial Services Inc.

CAPITA
FINANCIAL
SERVICES INC.

Capita Financial Services Inc. (CAPITA) is a wholly owned subsidiary of BPWCCUL and provides financial services to both individuals and corporates. CAPITA focusses on increasing shareholder return through the provision of competitive financial products and services.

CAPITA
INSURANCE BROKERS
Today. Tomorrow. Together.

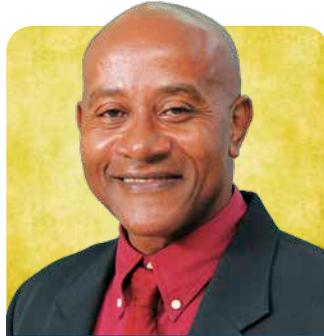
Capita Insurance Brokers Inc. (CIB) is a wholly owned subsidiary of Capita Financial Services Inc., setup to provide an additional source of revenue and return for its shareholders and increase the value proposition for members and clients within the Group of Companies.

OUR LEADERS

BARBADOS PUBLIC WORKERS' CO-OPERATIVE CREDIT UNION LIMITED



President
Bro. Raphael Holder



Vice President
Bro. Glendon A. Belle



Treasurer
Bro. Anthony Christie



Secretary
Sis. Kerry-Ann King



Assistant Secretary
Sis. Julie Corbin



Director
Bro. Cedric Murrell



Director
Bro. Trevor Colucci



Director
Bro. Matthew Thornhill

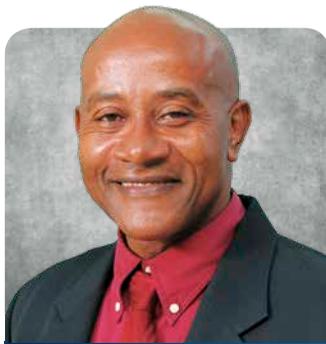


Director
Sis. Christina John

BPW FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC.



Chairman
Bro. Raphael Holder



Vice Chairman
Bro. Glendon A. Belle



Director
Bro. Anthony Christie



Director
Sis. Clorinda Alleyne



Director
Bro. Luther Jones

CAPITA FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.



Chairperson
Dr. Sandra Reece



Secretary
Mr. Hilford Murrell



Director
Mr. Michael Mayers



Director
Mrs. Flo Jean-Marie



Director
Ms. Sandra Osbourne



Director
Mr. Vincent Yearwood



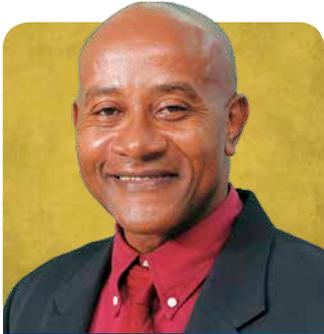
Director
Ms. Clorinda Alleyne



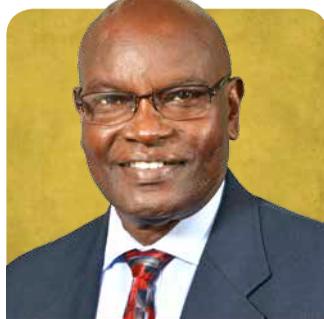
Director
Mr. Paul Maxwell

OUR LEADERS *(continued)*

CAPITA INSURANCE BROKERS INC.



Chairman
Mr. Glendon A. Belle



Director
Mr. Vincent Yearwood



Director
Ms. Clorinda Alleyne



Director
Mr. Paul Maxwell



Director
Mr. Kenroy Mullins

EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT



Group CEO
Ms. Clorinda Alleyne



Group Financial Controller
Bro. LeVere Catlyn

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CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED MARCH 31, 2013 TO MARCH 31, 2017

In Bds \$'000

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Statement of financial position:					
Assets					
Cash and equivalents	68,263	73,065	56,129	72,274	65,137
Investments and other short term deposits	84,338	90,309	83,628	76,039	73,991
Loans to Members (net)	1,099,233	1,001,430	906,060	825,149	774,615
Property and Equipment	44,725	31,712	30,060	30,009	27,263
Other	18,804	19,582	14,801	13,578	10,279
	1,315,363	1,216,098	1,090,678	1,017,049	951,285
Liabilities					
Deposits	1,138,486	1,037,172	915,312	839,052	772,320
Loans Payable	22,323	41,011	52,035	63,966	74,476
Other	21,957	20,619	17,883	17,428	17,335
	1,182,766	1,098,802	985,230	920,446	864,131
Equity					
Share Capital	10,084	9,407	8,764	8,240	7,760
Reserve Fund	107,687	97,658	89,804	81,891	71,540
Other Reserves	5,808	4,412	2,773	1,907	1,078
Retained earnings	9,018	5,819	4,107	4,565	6,776
	132,597	117,296	105,448	96,603	87,154
	1,315,363	1,216,098	1,090,678	1,017,049	951,285
Statement of income:					
Interest Income	95,242	89,462	80,930	77,904	73,962
Interest Expense	33,400	32,978	31,176	29,172	28,444
Net Interest Income	61,842	56,484	49,754	48,732	45,518
Other income	5,604	5,021	3,730	3,446	4,032
Net income and other income	67,446	61,505	53,484	52,178	49,550
Loan impairment expense	5,032	4,246	3,951	4,699	4,890
Net operating income	62,414	57,259	49,533	47,479	44,660
Total operating expenses	45,648	41,481	38,151	36,132	31,534
Net income before taxes	16,766	15,778	11,382	11,347	13,126
Asset Tax	728	2,327	1,604		
Corporation tax	85	269	136	220	321
Net income after taxes	15,953	13,182	9,642	11,127	12,805

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED MARCH 31, 2013 TO MARCH 31, 2017

In Bds \$'000

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Financial statistics in percent:					
Asset Growth	8.16	11.50	7.24	6.91	4.93
Loan Growth	9.77	10.53	9.81	6.52	3.32
Deposit Growth	9.77	13.31	9.09	8.64	4.95
Net Surplus Growth	21.02	36.71	-13.35	-13.10	38.49
Return on Assets	1.26	1.14	0.91	1.13	1.38
Return on Equity	12.77	11.84	9.54	12.11	15.69
Operating Efficiency	73.14	72.44	77.02	76.10	70.61
Net Interest Margin	4.89	4.90	4.72	4.95	4.90
Other statistics					
Delinquency ratio (%)	6.3	6.3	6.7	6.7	7.5
# of members (000'S)	84.0	78.4	73.0	68.7	64.7
# of branches	4	4	4	4	4
Net income per member	\$189.92	\$168.14	\$132.03	\$162.04	\$197.91

PRINCIPAL BANKERS

Barbados Public Workers' Co-operative Credit Union Limited - **Republic Bank (Barbados) Ltd.**

BPW Financial Holdings Inc. - **CIBC First Caribbean International Bank**

Capita Financial Services Inc. - **CIBC First Caribbean International Bank**

Capita Insurance Brokers Inc. - **First Citizens Bank (Barbados) Limited**

AUDITORS

KPMG – **Chartered Accountants**

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

This section of the Group's Annual Report provides a discussion and analysis of the financial position and performance of the consolidated operations of the Barbados Public Workers' Co-operative Credit Union Limited and its subsidiaries ("the Group") for the financial year ended March 31, 2017.

The Group includes the parent, Barbados Public Workers' Co-operative Credit Union Limited, its subsidiary BPW Financial Holdings Inc. and its subsidiaries Capita Financial Services Inc. ("CAPITA") and Capita Insurance Brokers Inc. ("CIB").

Overview

During the financial year ended March 31, 2017, the Group remained focused on providing products and services to its members and customers at competitive rates. Due to these efforts, despite difficult economic conditions the Group experienced significant growth in both loans and deposits.

At March 31, 2017 the total consolidated assets of the Group reached \$1.3 billion reflecting growth of 8.2 percent at an average rate of \$8.3 million per month during the year ended March 31, 2017.

This growth signals the confidence, loyalty and support in which members and customers have placed in the respective boards, management and staff of the financial institutions within the Group.

Snapshot of CAPITA's Performance

CAPITA has continued to realize steady growth since its acquisition in August 2010, recording asset growth of \$8.5 million or 3.6 percent for the year to reach \$245.3 million at March 31, 2017.

Its income before Asset Tax and Corporation Tax at March 31, 2017 was \$1.3 million. The Asset Tax for the year was \$728.3 thousand increasing by \$350.2 thousand or 92.6 percent over the prior year, March 31, 2016.

CAPITA's pre-tax net income was \$534.7 thousand while net income after tax was \$449.7 thousand for the year. CAPITA also had unrealised gains on available-for-sale investments acquired in the Barbados Stock Exchange (BSE) which resulted in its comprehensive income moving to \$786.6 thousand or 19 percent above that of the previous year.

CAPITA continues to remain competitive in a more demanding environment. To this end, CAPITA is exploring new revenue initiatives and strategic alliances in Barbados with the Barbados Co-operative & Credit Union League Ltd. and in the Eastern Caribbean with the Caribbean Confederation of Credit Unions.

In 2015, CAPITA commenced the declaration of dividends to its sole shareholder, BPW Financial Holdings Inc., and to date, dividends of \$700 thousand have been paid.

Capita Insurance Brokers Inc. will recommence meeting the Credit Union's membership at the branch offices in an effort to increase the enrollment in the health plan which is facilitated through a partnership with the Insurance Corporation of Barbados.

Group Performance Summary

The Group's consolidated net income before levies and taxation for the year under review was \$16.8 million compared with \$15.8 million for the previous year. It is worthy to note however, that the tax levied on the assets of the Group for the year ended March 31, 2017 amounted to \$728.3 thousand and along with Corporation Tax of \$85.0 thousand, resulted in net income for the year of \$16.0 million for the Group.

The Group continues to focus on working with members and customers who have been experiencing challenges in meeting loan commitments. As a consequence, various options including restructuring and consolidation were offered thus enabling the percentage rate of non-performing loans to remain stable.

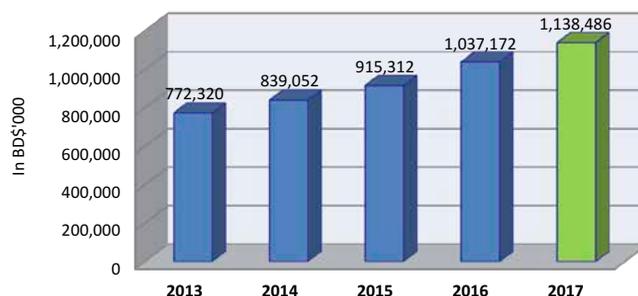
There was an increase in non-performing loans by \$6.9 million across the Group. The rate of delinquency remained at 6.3 percent at March 31, 2017.

The Group's net loan impairment provision increased by \$2.5 million in 2017. Consequently, the ratio of loan provisioning to non-performing loans moved from 39.0 percent in 2016 to 38.8 percent in 2017.

Overall the Group recorded significant growth year on year in its core businesses. Loan growth in 2017 was \$97.8 million or 9.8 percent compared to \$95.4 million or 10.5 percent in 2016. Similarly, deposit growth in 2017 was \$101.3 million or 9.8 percent as compared to \$121.9 million or 13.3 percent in 2016.

During the financial year ended March 2016, the Central Bank of Barbados relaxed its control over interest rates in the market. This allowed financial institutions to lower their interest rates on various savings and deposit products.

Deposits



This situation persisted during the financial year ended March 31, 2017. The interest rate on deposits at some leading financial institutions reached as low as 0.1 percent at March 31, 2017. The minimum interest rate on deposits within the Group at March 31, 2017 stood at 1.5 percent.

Net interest margin for the income year remained at 4.9 percent for the year 2017. Various pricing strategies were employed to drive loan and deposit volumes.

These results can be credited to the performance of a truly outstanding and dedicated staff. The Group expects and promotes this commitment and drive for positive results from all of its employees.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

(continued)

Our employees continue to receive the requisite training to ensure they maintain a deep and broad knowledge of our products, services and systems. They are trained to be professional, accurate and efficient. In particular, we aim to foster an environment of outstanding service delivery to our members and customers with every single interaction.

Outlook

Undeniably, the Group continues to operate in a challenging economic environment that is already impacting on the financial sustainability and future growth of key players in the financial services sector. This is especially so for some of the smaller Credit Unions.

Faced with continuing deterioration in credit quality, there is a constant need to reassess capital levels, identify stress points and manage risk exposures.

The Group has grounded its values deeply in commitment to serving its members, customers and community. This together with our sound financial position will ensure that we remain a beacon of strength and a trusted financial partner for our members and customers well into the future.

The 0.2 percent tax on assets of Credit Unions ceased at the end of March 31, 2016. However, the tax on the assets of the subsidiary was increased from 0.2 percent to 0.35 percent during the financial year ended March 31, 2017 and resulted in an overall increased cost of \$350.2 thousand.

Economic Review

According to recent Central Bank economic reports, the Barbados economy is estimated to have grown by 1.6 percent in 2016. Reserves decreased during 2016 as foreign reserve outflows continue to exceed inflows, however, at March 31, 2017, the international reserves stood at \$705.4 million, following an increase of \$24.3 million in the first quarter. This improvement compares with an average first quarter increase of \$19 million over the past five years. The import reserve cover stood at 10.7 weeks at the end of March 2017 however, it remained below the 12-week benchmark.

The financial system remained well capitalized and stable during the first quarter of 2017. Weak private sector credit demand continued to contribute to a banking system marked by high levels of excess liquidity and historically low interest rates as both deposit and lending rates declined below those of prior year.

Economic Outlook

The Central Bank's release of March 2017 stated that the Barbados economy has made gains in addressing some of the macroeconomic imbalances faced in recent years. However, challenges remain and stabilization now requires concerted attention to fiscal adjustment and the acceleration of project implementation. Economic growth is projected to range between 1.5% to 2.0% in 2017, mainly on the strength of tourism and new construction activity.

Consolidated Financial Statement Highlights

Revenues

For the financial year ended March 31, 2017 the Group earned total interest revenue of \$95.2 million, up from \$89.5 million for the previous year. This represented an increase of \$5.8 million or 6.4 percent for the year and is attributable to the steady growth in both consumer and mortgage loans across the Group.

Income generated from non-interest sources increased by \$582.7 thousand or 11.6 percent when compared with the previous year, primarily as a result of additional fee income, legal income and insurance agency commission.

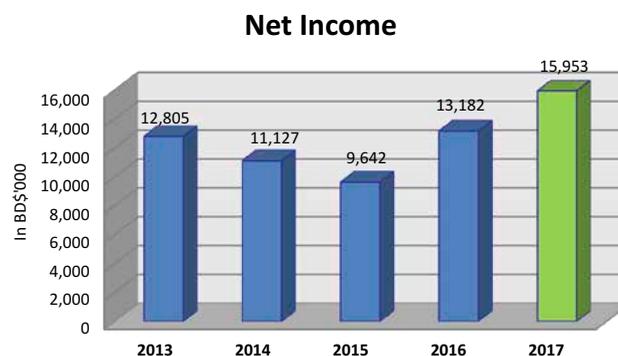
Net Interest Income

The marginal lowering of the savings and deposits interest rates during the year, along with prudent management of the interest spread, resulted in consistent growth in net interest income.

Net interest income moved from \$56.5 million in 2016 to \$61.8 million at March 31, 2017. This represents a \$5.3 million or 9.5 percent increase. This was positively impacted by increased loan volumes and a reduction in funding costs.

Net Income

The Group earned a consolidated net income before levies and taxes of \$16.8 million for the year ended March 31, 2017 compared with \$15.8 million for the previous year. This represented an increase of approximately \$1.0 million or 6.3 percent above the prior year.



Operating Expenses

Total operating expenses inclusive of levies and taxes increased from \$44.1 million in 2016 to \$46.5 million in 2017. This was principally driven by repairs and maintenance, staff costs, publicity and promotion, membership security and staff and members' training.

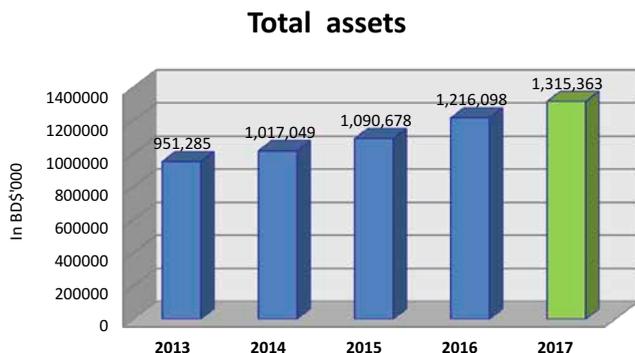
The increase in staff costs amounted to \$1.3 million and was mainly due to contractual union negotiated salary increases which were finalized in 2016 and new staff positions in both the Credit Union and CAPITA during the year.

The growth in deposits and loans in the Group resulted in the increase of membership security expense from \$2.5 million in 2016 to \$2.7 million in 2017.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Assets

Total assets of the Group stood at \$1.3 billion at March 31, 2017. This represented an increase of \$99.3 million or 8.2 percent over the previous year.



At March 31, 2017, the Group's consolidated net loans and advances stood at approximately \$1.1 billion, as compared to \$1.0 billion at the end of March 31, 2016.

This represented an overall increase of \$97.8 million or 9.8 percent growth in loans compared to an increase of \$95.4 million or 10.5 percent one year ago.

Loan growth was primarily lead by growth in consumer loans by \$58.6 million while mortgages and business loans grew by \$25.3 million and \$13.7 million respectively.

This increase resulted from a more targeted marketing approach, innovative loan promotions and from continuous streamlining of the loan approval and disbursement processes.

These initiatives enabled and sustained the trend of increase loan demand which was realized across the Group.

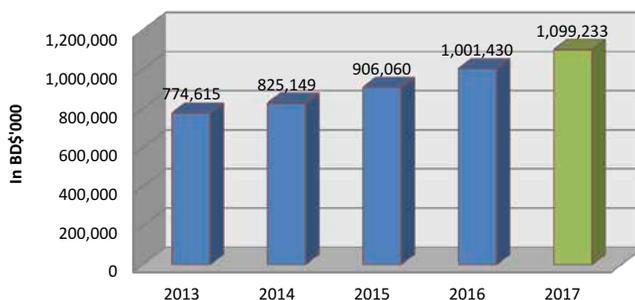
The Group remained highly liquid with cash resources totaling \$117.4 million. Financial investments marginally increased by \$217.6 thousand or 0.6 percent.

Asset Quality

The delinquency ratio remained stable at 6.3 percent at the end of March 31, 2017 as was the case at March 31, 2016.

This is highly commendable given the current environment and is attributable to close monitoring of delinquent accounts, creating payment solutions for members who are experiencing financial challenges and strict adherence to credit control and underwriting requirements.

Loans and advances



The Group continues to maintain a consistent approach to the provisioning process. This was based on thorough reviews of individual's credit risk and analysis of collective portfolio risk characteristics.

The key focus of management was to take a proactive approach to working with members and customers to offer them financial counseling and alternative loan arrangements and restructuring plans to assist them in maintaining a sound credit rating and risk profile.

Liabilities

The Group's strong liquidity position continued to be driven by the growth in deposit liabilities. At the financial year end, the Group's deposits totaled \$1.1 billion, an increase of \$101.3 million or 9.8 percent higher than at the previous year-end.

During the year under review, the Group repaid five of its high interest rate loan facilities so as to reduce its debt service costs and improve the overall net interest spread.

The Group's total loan repayment amounted to \$18.7 million which was largely responsible for the reduction in loans payable from \$41.0 million at March 31, 2016 to \$22.3 million at March 31, 2017.

Equity

As at March 31, 2017, the Group's total equity was \$132.6 million, an increase of \$15.3 million or 13.0 percent over the previous year.

The increase was primarily due to profits of \$16.0 million, growth in share capital of \$676.3 thousand and net of dividend distributions of \$2.6 million.

The Group's capital adequacy ratios are above minimum capital requirements and these are being monitored on an on-going basis when assessing capital needs and evaluating changes in strategic focus, risk tolerance levels, business plans and the operating environment that might materially affect capital adequacy.

OUTLOOK – 2017 and Beyond

In the financial sector, it is envisaged that the interest rates on savings and deposits will remain at the current low rate.

However, the Group will continue to prudently manage its operating costs so that our members and customers can continue to enjoy competitive interest rates on their savings and deposits.

The Boards of Directors and employees will continue to work steadfastly to provide the financial services that are geared towards helping our members and customers achieve and realize their dreams of creating a brighter future for themselves and their families.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members of Barbados Public Workers' Co-operative Credit Union Limited

Report on the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of Barbados Public Workers' Co-operative Credit Union Limited (the "Credit Union") and its subsidiaries (the "Group") which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at March 31, 2017, the consolidated statements of comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes, comprising significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Group as at March 31, 2017, and its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated financial statements in Barbados, 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.

KPMG, a Barbados partnership and a member firm of the KPMG network of Independent member firms affiliated with KPMG International Cooperative ("KPMG International") a Swiss entity.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (continued)

To the Members of Barbados Public Workers' Co-operative Credit Union Limited, continued

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Management Discussion and Analysis and the Board of Directors' Report in the Annual Report 2017 but does not include the consolidated financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The Annual report is expected to be made available to us after the date of this auditors' report.

Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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

When we read the Annual Report 2017, if we conclude that there is a material misstatement therein, we are required to communicate the matter to those charged with governance.

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

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Group'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 Group or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

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



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (continued)

**To the Members of Barbados Public Workers' Co-operative Credit Union Limited,
continued**

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated 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 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 consolidated financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated 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 Group'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 Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the consolidated 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 auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group's to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (continued)

**To the Members of Barbados Public Workers' Co-operative Credit Union Limited,
continued**

**Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements,
continued**

- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

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.

Other Matter

This report is made solely to the Group's members, in accordance with Section 109 of the Co-operatives Societies Act of Barbados. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Group's members those matters we are required to state to it in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law and subject to any enactment or rule of law to the contrary, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Group and the Group's members, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinion we have formed.

Chartered Accountants
Bridgetown, Barbados
May 18, 2017

BARBADOS PUBLIC WORKERS' CO-OPERATIVE CREDIT UNION LIMITED

Consolidated Statement of Income

For the year ended March 31, 2017
With comparative figures for 2016

(Expressed in Barbados dollars)

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Interest income	3	\$ 95,242,200	89,462,275
Interest expense	3	<u>(33,399,527)</u>	<u>(32,977,686)</u>
Net interest income	3	<u>61,842,673</u>	<u>56,484,589</u>
Other income	4	5,603,886	5,021,149
Net interest and other income		67,446,559	61,505,738
Loan impairment expense	12	<u>(5,032,441)</u>	<u>(4,246,393)</u>
Net operating income		<u>62,414,118</u>	<u>57,259,345</u>
Staff costs	5	18,487,577	17,220,090
Operating expenses	6	22,989,113	20,196,156
Depreciation	13	<u>4,171,231</u>	<u>4,065,185</u>
Total expenses		<u>45,647,921</u>	<u>41,481,431</u>
Income before levies and taxation		16,766,197	15,777,914
Tax on assets	7	<u>(728,304)</u>	<u>(2,326,813)</u>
Income before taxation		16,037,893	13,451,101
Taxation	8	<u>(85,011)</u>	<u>(268,804)</u>
Net income for the year		\$ <u>15,952,882</u>	<u>13,182,297</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

BARBADOS PUBLIC WORKERS' CO-OPERATIVE CREDIT UNION LIMITED

Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

For the year ended March 31, 2017
With comparative figures for 2016

(Expressed in Barbados dollars)

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Net income for the year	\$ 15,952,882	13,182,297
<i>Items that will never be reclassified to profit or loss</i>		
Remeasurements of defined benefit asset	688,351	(289,718)
<i>Items that are or may be reclassified to profit or loss</i>		
Net unrealised gains on available-for-sale investments	<u>586,903</u>	<u>320,060</u>
Other comprehensive income	<u>1,275,254</u>	<u>30,342</u>
Total comprehensive income for the year	\$ <u>17,228,136</u>	<u>13,212,639</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

BARBADOS PUBLIC WORKERS' CO-OPERATIVE CREDIT UNION LIMITED

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

As at March 31, 2017

With comparative figures as at March 31, 2016

(Expressed in Barbados dollars)

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Assets			
Cash resources	10	\$ 117,352,093	128,343,666
Financial investments			
Held to maturity	11	28,536,207	29,074,183
Available-for-sale	11	2,995,366	2,405,377
Loans and receivables	11	3,716,414	3,550,855
Loans and advances	12	1,099,233,250	1,001,429,988
Property and equipment	13	44,725,201	31,712,173
Pension plan asset	14	1,232,061	437,778
Corporation tax recoverable		435,318	331,608
Intangible asset	16	2,910,000	2,910,000
Other assets	15	14,226,976	15,902,337
Total Assets		\$ <u>1,315,362,886</u>	<u>1,216,097,965</u>
Liabilities and Equity			
Liabilities			
Deposits	17	\$ 1,138,486,146	1,037,172,174
Loans payable	18	22,323,165	41,011,330
Reimbursable shares		7,875,475	7,165,090
Corporation tax payable		47,155	81,385
Asset tax payable	7	244,265	602,938
Deferred taxation	8	83,490	52,180
Other liabilities	19	13,706,408	12,716,477
Total liabilities		<u>1,182,766,104</u>	<u>1,098,801,574</u>
Equity			
Share capital	20	10,083,720	9,407,400
Statutory reserves	21	107,687,256	97,657,847
Other reserves	22	5,808,261	4,412,282
Retained earnings		9,017,545	5,818,862
Total equity		<u>132,596,782</u>	<u>117,296,391</u>
Total Liabilities and Equity		\$ <u>1,315,362,886</u>	<u>1,216,097,965</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Approved by the Board of Directors on May 18, 2017 and signed on its behalf by:



Raphael Holder
 President



Anthony Christie
 Treasurer

BARBADOS PUBLIC WORKERS' CO-OPERATIVE CREDIT UNION LIMITED

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

For the year ended March 31, 2017
With comparative figures for 2016

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	Notes	Share Capital	Statutory Reserves	Other Reserves	Retained Earnings	Total
At March 31, 2015		\$ 8,763,840	89,803,786	2,772,755	4,107,620	105,448,001
Net income		-	-	-	13,182,297	13,182,297
Other comprehensive income		-	-	30,342	-	30,342
Issue of shares		727,200	-	-	-	727,200
Redemption of shares		(83,640)	-	-	-	(83,640)
Transfer to statutory reserves	21	-	7,823,761	-	(7,823,761)	-
Entrance fees	21	-	30,300	-	-	30,300
Transfer to special reserves	22	-	-	932,111	(932,111)	-
Special reserves released		-	-	(601,893)	601,893	-
to retained earnings	22	-	-	1,278,967	(1,278,967)	-
Reserve for interest on non-performing loans	22	-	-	-	(2,038,109)	(2,038,109)
Distributions to members	9	-	-	-	-	-
At March 31, 2016		9,407,400	97,657,847	4,412,282	5,818,862	117,296,391
Net income		-	-	-	15,952,882	15,952,882
Other comprehensive income		-	-	1,275,254	-	1,275,254
Issue of shares		774,240	-	-	-	774,240
Redemption of shares		(97,920)	-	-	-	(97,920)
Transfer to statutory reserves	21	-	9,997,149	-	(9,997,149)	-
Entrance fees	21	-	32,260	-	-	32,260
Transfer to special reserves	22	-	-	756,274	(756,274)	-
Special reserves released		-	-	(820,791)	820,791	-
to retained earnings	22	-	-	185,242	(185,242)	-
Reserve for interest on non-performing loans	22	-	-	-	(2,636,325)	(2,636,325)
Distributions to members	9	-	-	-	-	-
At March 31, 2017		\$ 10,083,720	107,687,256	5,808,261	9,017,545	132,596,782

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

BARBADOS PUBLIC WORKERS' CO-OPERATIVE CREDIT UNION LIMITED

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended March 31, 2017
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	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Income before taxation		\$ 16,037,893	13,451,101
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation		4,171,231	4,065,185
Loan impairment expense		5,032,441	4,246,393
Gain on disposal of property and equipment		(13,997)	(5,301)
Interest income		(95,242,200)	(89,462,275)
Interest expense		33,399,527	32,977,686
Dividend income		(109,342)	(116,078)
Tax on assets		<u>728,304</u>	<u>2,326,813</u>
		(35,996,143)	(32,516,476)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities			
Increase in mandatory reserve deposits with Central Bank		(500,000)	(700,000)
Decrease (increase) in other term deposits		6,689,237	(1,935,125)
Increase in loans and advances		(102,678,133)	(97,399,709)
Increase in pension plan asset		(105,932)	(40,067)
Decrease (increase) in other assets		1,664,922	(5,044,234)
Increase in deposits		101,786,856	120,938,705
Increase in reimbursable shares		710,385	464,869
Increase in other liabilities		<u>989,931</u>	<u>2,692,980</u>
Net cash used in operations		(27,438,877)	(13,539,057)
Interest received		95,842,568	86,944,519
Interest paid		(33,872,411)	(32,056,157)
Levies paid		(1,086,977)	(2,798,842)
Income taxes paid		<u>(191,641)</u>	<u>(187,783)</u>
Net cash from operating activities		<u>33,252,662</u>	<u>38,362,680</u>
Cash Flows from Investing Activities			
Net increase in financial investments		(378,168)	(3,442,913)
Purchase of property and equipment		(17,190,742)	(5,720,512)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment		20,480	8,663
Dividend income received		<u>109,342</u>	<u>116,078</u>
Net cash used in investing activities		<u>(17,439,088)</u>	<u>(9,038,684)</u>

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Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows, continued

For the year ended March 31, 2017
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(Expressed in Barbados dollars)

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Cash Flows from Financing Activities			
Net decrease in loans payable		(18,688,165)	(11,023,612)
Issue of shares		774,240	727,200
Entrance fees received		32,260	30,300
Redemption of shares		(97,920)	(83,640)
Distributions to members		<u>(2,636,325)</u>	<u>(2,038,109)</u>
Net cash used in financing activities		<u>(20,615,910)</u>	<u>(12,387,861)</u>
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents		<u>(4,802,336)</u>	16,936,135
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year		<u>73,065,324</u>	<u>56,129,189</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	10	\$ <u>68,262,988</u>	<u>73,065,324</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

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1. Corporate information

Barbados Public Workers' Co-operative Credit Union Limited and its subsidiaries ("the Group") are registered under the relevant financial, co-operative and corporate legislations within the countries in which they operate.

The parent company, Barbados Public Workers' Co-operative Credit Union Limited ("the Credit Union") is a company incorporated and domiciled in Barbados with its registered office at Olive Trotman House, Keith Bourne Complex, Belmont Road, St. Michael.

On 23 March 2010, the Credit Union incorporated a 100% owned subsidiary, BPW Financial Holdings Inc., the principal activity of which is to hold the capital investments of the Group.

On 27 August 2010, BPW Financial Holdings Inc. obtained 100% control over Clico Mortgage & Finance Corporation now renamed Capita Financial Services Inc.

On September 11, 2015, Capita Financial Services Inc. incorporated a 100% owned subsidiary, Capita Insurance Brokers Inc., the principal activity of which is provision of insurance broker services.

The Group provides savings products, credit facilities, lease financing, brokerage services and serves as a general and life insurance agent to its customer base. The Group's operations span across Barbados and St. Lucia.

2. Accounting Policies

2.1 Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in Barbados dollars on a historical cost basis, except for available-for-sale investments which have been measured at fair value.

Statement of compliance

The consolidated financial statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements comprise the financial statements of the Credit Union and its subsidiaries, disclosed in Note 1. The consolidated financial statements of the subsidiaries are prepared for the same reporting year end as the Credit Union, using consistent accounting policies. All intra-group balances and transactions, and any unrealised income and expenses arising from intra-group transactions, are eliminated.

Subsidiaries are entities controlled by the Group. The Group controls an entity when it is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity. The consolidated financial statements of subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date on which control commences until the date on which control ceases.

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2. Accounting Policies, continued

2.2 Significant accounting judgments, estimates and assumptions

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual amounts may differ from these estimates.

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. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

The estimates and judgments that have a significant risk of causing material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

Measurement of fair values

A number of the Group's accounting policies and disclosures require the measurement of fair values, for both financial and non-financial assets and liabilities.

The Group has an established control framework with respect to the measurement of fair values.

This includes the services of a professional valuation team that has overall responsibility for overseeing all significant fair value measurements, including Level 3 fair values. This team reports directly to the Group Financial Controller. They also review market estimates where assets and liabilities are traded in active markets.

Significant valuation issues are reported to the Asset Liability Committee (ALCO) which has oversight of the Group's investment policy. This Committee meets quarterly to review any challenges as it relates to the carrying value of the Group's assets and liabilities.

When measuring the fair value of an asset or a liability, the Group uses market observable data as far as possible. Fair values are categorised into different levels in a fair value hierarchy based on the inputs used in the valuation techniques as disclosed in Note 26.

If the inputs used to measure the fair value of an asset or a liability might be categorised in different levels of the fair value hierarchy, then the fair value measurement is categorised in its entirety in the same level of the fair value hierarchy as the lowest level input that is significant to the entire measurement.

The Group recognises transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy at the end of the reporting period during which the change has occurred.

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2. Accounting Policies, continued

2.2 Significant accounting judgments, estimates and assumptions, continued

Impairment of assets

The Group assesses at each reporting date whether there is objective evidence that an asset or group of assets is impaired. An asset or a group of assets is impaired and impairment losses are incurred if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the asset (a "loss event") and that loss event (or events) has an impact on the future cash flows of the asset or group of assets that can be reliably estimated.

The Group reviews its individually significant loans at each consolidated statement of financial position date to assess whether impairment should be recorded in the consolidated statement of income. In particular, judgment by management is required in the estimation of the amount and timing of future cash flows when determining individual impairment and also in the determination of collective impairment.

In estimating these cash flows, the Group makes judgments about the borrower's financial situation and the net realisable value of collateral. These estimates are based on assumptions about a number of factors and actual results may differ, resulting in future changes to the allowance for impairment losses. Loans and advances that have been assessed individually and found not to be impaired and all individually insignificant loans and advances are then assessed collectively, in groups of assets with similar risk characteristics, to determine whether a provision should be made due to incurred loss events for which there is objective evidence but whose effects are not yet evident.

Pension obligations

The cost of the defined benefit pension plan is determined using an actuarial valuation. Accounting for employee pension obligations requires the use of actuarial techniques to make a reliable estimate of the amount of benefit that employees have earned in return for their services in the current and prior period.

The actuarial assumptions are based on management's best estimates of the variables that will determine the ultimate cost of providing post-employment benefits. Variations in these assumptions could cause material adjustments in future years, if it is determined that the actual experience differed from the estimate.

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2. Accounting Policies, continued

2.2 Significant accounting judgments, estimates and assumptions, continued

Taxes

A subsidiary is subject to income taxes in both Barbados and St. Lucia. Significant estimates are required in determining the provision for income taxes. Where the final tax outcome is different from the amounts that were initially recorded, such differences will impact the income tax and deferred tax provisions in the period in which such determination is made.

Deferred tax assets are recognised in respect of tax losses to the extent that it is probable that taxable income will be available against which the losses can be utilised. Judgment is required to determine the amount of deferred tax assets that can be recognised, based upon the likely timing and level of future taxable income, together with future tax planning strategies.

Intangible assets

The Group's consolidated financial statements include goodwill arising from acquisitions. In accordance with IAS 36, goodwill is reviewed for impairment annually. This requires the use of estimates for determination of future cash flows expected to arise from each cash-generating unit and an appropriate discount rate to calculate present value.

2.3 Summary of significant accounting policies

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these consolidated financial statements are set out below. They have been applied consistently to all periods presented.

a) Foreign currency

The Group's consolidated financial statements are presented in Barbados dollars which is the Group's presentation currency. The functional currency of the St. Lucia branch of a subsidiary is Eastern Caribbean dollars.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Barbados dollars at the rates of exchange ruling at the statement of financial position date. Transactions arising during the year denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Barbados dollars and recorded at the rates of exchange prevailing on the dates of the transactions. Differences arising from fluctuations in exchange rates are included in the consolidated statement of income.

Assets and liabilities of the St. Lucia branch are translated into the Group's presentation currency at the rate of exchange as at the statement of financial position date, and the consolidated statement of income is translated at the average exchange rates for the year. Exchange differences arising on translation are taken directly to a separate component of equity.

Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates as at the dates of the initial transactions. Non-monetary items measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value is determined. Translation differences on non-monetary items, such as equities classified as available-for-sale investments, are recognised in other comprehensive income.

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2. Accounting Policies, continued

2.3 Summary of significant accounting policies, continued

b) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprises cash on hand, balances with commercial banks, deposits with Central Bank (excluding mandatory reserve deposits) and term deposits with an original maturity of three months or less from the acquisition date.

c) Business combinations and goodwill

Business combinations are accounted for using the acquisition method as at the acquisition date – i.e. when control is transferred to the Group. The cost of an acquisition is measured as the aggregate of the consideration transferred, measured at acquisition date fair value and the amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree. For each business combination, the acquirer measures the non-controlling interest in the acquiree either at fair value or at the proportionate share of the acquiree's identifiable net assets. Acquisition costs incurred are expensed and included in the consolidated statement of income. If the cost of acquisition is less than the fair values of the identifiable net assets acquired, the discount on acquisition is recognised directly in the consolidated statement of income in the year of acquisition.

Goodwill acquired in a business combination is initially measured at cost, being the excess of the cost of the business combination over the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities acquired.

Following initial recognition, goodwill is measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. Goodwill is reviewed for impairment annually, or more frequently, if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may be impaired. For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating units (CGUs) or group of CGUs, which are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the acquiree are assigned to those units. Each unit to which the goodwill is allocated represents the lowest level within the Group at which the goodwill is monitored for internal management purposes. Goodwill is included in the consolidated statement of financial position in intangible assets.

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2. Accounting Policies, continued

2.3 Summary of significant accounting policies, continued

d) Intangible assets

Intangible assets are recognised only when their cost can be measured reliably and it is probable that the expected future economic benefits that are attributable to it will flow to the acquirer.

Intangible assets with finite lives are amortised over the useful economic life and assessed for impairment whenever there is an indication that the intangible asset may be impaired. The amortisation period and the amortisation method for an intangible asset with a finite useful life is reviewed at least at the end of each reporting period. Changes in the expected useful life or the expected pattern of consumption of future economic benefits embodied in the asset is accounted for by changing the amortisation period or method, as appropriate, and are treated as changes in accounting estimates. The amortisation expense on intangible assets with finite lives is recognised in the consolidated statement of income.

Gains or losses arising from derecognition of an intangible asset are measured as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and are recognised in the consolidated statement of income when the asset is derecognised.

e) Financial instruments

The Group initially recognises loans and advances, deposits and loans payable on the date that they are originated. All other financial assets and liabilities are initially recognised on the trade date, i.e., the date that the entities within the Group become a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

The classification of financial instruments at initial recognition depends on the purpose and management's intention for which the financial instruments were acquired and their characteristics. All financial instruments are measured initially at cost being their fair value plus transaction costs that are directly attributable to its acquisition or issue.

Financial assets

The Group derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows in a transaction in which substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred. Any interest in such transferred financial assets that is created or retained by the Group is recognised as a separate asset or liability.

The Group classifies its financial assets in the following categories: held to maturity, available-for-sale and loans and receivables.

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2. Accounting Policies, continued

2.3 Summary of significant accounting policies, continued

e) Financial Instruments, continued

Held to maturity financial investments

Held to maturity financial investments are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments and fixed maturities, which the Group has the intention and ability to hold to maturity.

After initial measurement, held to maturity financial investments are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method (EIR), less any impairment losses. Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. The Group has reported government securities which have all been classified under the held to maturity classification.

Impairment losses are reported as a deduction from the carrying value of the investment (through an allowance account) or investment balance. The amount recorded for impairment is the cumulative loss measured as the difference between the amortised cost and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that investment previously recognised in the consolidated statement of income.

If the Group were to sell or reclassify more than an insignificant amount of held to maturity investments before maturity (other than in certain specific circumstances), the entire category would be tainted and would have to be reclassified as available-for-sale. Furthermore, the Group would be prohibited from classifying any financial asset as held to maturity for the current and during the following two financial years.

Available-for-sale financial investments

Available-for-sale investments include equity securities. Equity securities classified as available-for-sale are those which are neither classified as held for trading nor designated at fair value through profit or loss.

After initial measurement, available-for-sale financial investments are subsequently re-measured at fair value based on quoted bid prices or amounts derived from approved valuation models. Unrealised gains and losses on available-for-sale securities are recognised directly in the fair value reserve in equity and reported under other comprehensive income.

When the investment is disposed of, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in equity is recognised in the consolidated statement of income.

Unquoted equity instruments for which fair values cannot be measured reliably are recognised at cost less impairment.

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2. Accounting Policies, continued

2.3 Summary of significant accounting policies, continued

e) Financial Instruments, continued

Available-for-sale financial investments, continued

For available-for-sale financial investments, the Group assesses at each statement of financial position date whether there is objective evidence that an investment is impaired. Where there is evidence of impairment, the cumulative loss – measured as the difference between the acquisition cost and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that investment previously recognised in the consolidated statement of income – is removed from other comprehensive income and recognised in the consolidated statement of income. Impairment losses on equity investments are not reversed through the consolidated statement of income; increases in their fair value after impairment are recognised directly in other comprehensive income.

Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. After initial measurement, such financial assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less impairment.

Impairment losses are reported as a deduction from the carrying value of the loan (through an allowance account) or balance and recognised in the consolidated statement of income as a provision for impairment.

Financial liabilities

The Group's financial liabilities include customer deposits, loans payable, reimbursable shares and other liabilities. The Group determines the classification of its financial liabilities at initial recognition. All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value and in the case of loans payable, net of directly attributable transaction costs.

After initial recognition, interest bearing loans and borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. Gains and losses are recognised in the consolidated statement of income when the liabilities are derecognised as well as through the effective interest rate method (EIR) amortisation process. The EIR amortisation, if any, is included in the consolidated statement of income.

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled or expires.

f) Reimbursable shares

Reimbursable shares represent amounts due to the estates of deceased members.

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2. Accounting Policies, continued

2.3 Summary of significant accounting policies, continued

g) Impairment of non-financial assets

Assets that have an indefinite useful life are not subject to amortisation and are tested annually for impairment. Assets that are subject to amortisation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (cash-generating units). Non-financial assets that suffered impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at each reporting date. Impairment losses are recognised in the consolidated statement of income.

h) Offsetting financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the consolidated statement of financial position if, and only if, there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

i) Property and equipment

Property and equipment are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are included in the consolidated statement of income during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with carrying amounts and these are included in the consolidated statement of income. The assets' residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed and adjusted, if appropriate, at each statement of financial position date.

Items of property and equipment are depreciated from the date they are available for use. Depreciation is recognised in the consolidated statement of income on the straight-line basis, at rates designed to write off the cost of the assets over the periods of their estimated useful lives. Land is not depreciated.

The following group annual rates apply:

Buildings	2% - 4%
Motor vehicles and lease vehicles	20%
Furniture and equipment	10% - 33.33%
Leasehold improvements	10% - 33.33%

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2. Accounting Policies, continued

2.3 Summary of significant accounting policies, continued

j) Leases

Leased assets

For assets leased out under finance leases, the present value of the lease payments at the start of the lease is recognised as a receivable and is included in loans and advances. The difference between the gross receivable and the present value of the receivable is recognised as unearned finance income. Lease income is recognised over the term of the lease using the net investment method (before tax) which reflects a constant periodic rate of return.

Assets held under other leases are classified as operating leases and are not recognised in the Group's consolidated statement of financial position.

Lease payments

For assets leased out under operating leases, the total payments received are included as other operating income in the consolidated statement of income on the straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Payments made under operating leases are recognised in the consolidated statement of income on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

When an operating lease is terminated before the lease period has expired, any payment required to be made by the lessor by way of penalty is recognised as an expense in the period in which termination takes place.

k) Employee benefits

The Group has both a defined benefit plan and a defined contribution plan for its employees.

Defined benefit plan

A defined benefit plan is a pension plan that defines an amount of pension benefit to be provided, usually as a function of one or more factors such as age, years of service or compensation. The Group operates a defined benefit pension plan for its eligible employees, which requires contributions to be made to a separately administered fund.

The Group's net obligation in respect of its defined benefit plan is calculated by estimating the amount of future benefit that employees have earned in the current and prior periods, discounting that amount and deducting the fair value of any plan assets.

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2. Accounting Policies, continued

2.3 Summary of significant accounting policies, continued

k) Employee benefits, continued

Defined benefit plan, continued

The calculation of defined benefit obligations is performed annually by a qualified actuary using the projected unit credit method. When the calculation results in a potential asset for the Group, the recognised asset is limited to the present value of economic benefits available in the form of any future refunds from the plan or reductions in future contributions to the plan. To calculate the present value of economic benefits, consideration is given to any applicable minimum funding requirements.

Remeasurements of the net defined benefit liability, which comprise actuarial gains and losses, the return on plan assets (excluding interest) and the effect of the asset ceiling (if any, excluding interest), are recognised immediately in the statement of other comprehensive income. The Group determines the net interest expense (income) on the net defined benefit liability (asset) for the period by applying the discount rate used to measure the defined benefit obligation at the beginning of the annual period to the then-net defined benefit liability (asset), taking into account any changes in the net defined benefit liability (asset) during the period as a result of contributions and benefit payments. Net interest expense and other expenses related to defined benefit plans are recognised in the consolidated statement of income.

When the benefits of a plan are changed or when a plan is curtailed, the resulting change in benefit that relates to past service or the gain or loss on curtailment is recognised immediately in the consolidated statement of income. The Group recognises gains and losses on the settlement of a defined benefit plan when the settlement occurs.

Defined contribution plan

A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which fixed contributions are paid into a separate entity (a fund), with no legal or constructive obligation to pay further contributions if the fund does not hold sufficient assets to pay all employee benefits relating to employee service in the current and prior periods. Capita Financial Services Inc. operates a defined contribution plan for its eligible employees.

For the defined contribution plan, the Group makes contributions to an administered pension plan. Once the contributions have been paid, the Group has no further payment obligation. The regular contributions constitute net periodic costs for the year in which they are due and as such are included in staff costs. The Group's contributions to the defined contribution pension plan are charged to the consolidated statement of income in the year to which they relate.

Short-term employee benefits

Short-term employee benefit obligations are measured on an undiscounted basis and are expensed as the related service is provided. A liability is recognised for other amounts expected to be paid if the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation to pay these amounts as a result of past service provided by the employee and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

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2. Accounting Policies, continued

2.3 Summary of significant accounting policies, continued

k) Employee benefits, continued

Other long-term employee benefits

The Group's net obligation in respect of long-term employee benefits is the amount of future benefit that employees have earned in return for their service in the current and prior periods. That benefit is discounted to determine its present value. Remeasurements are recognised in the consolidated statement of income in the period in which they arise.

Termination benefits

Termination benefits are expensed at the earlier of when the Group can no longer withdraw the offer of those benefits and when the Group recognises costs for a restructuring. If benefits are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the end of the reporting period, then they are discounted.

l) Taxation

Income tax expense comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax expense is recognised in profit or loss except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in equity, in which case it is recognised in equity.

Current tax

Current tax assets and liabilities for the current and prior years are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities. The tax rates and tax laws used to compute the amount are those that are enacted or substantively enacted by the statement of financial position date.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is provided for all temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying values for financial reporting purposes using the rates that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the statement of financial position date and are expected to apply when the asset is realised or liability settled.

Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the asset can be utilised.

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2. Accounting Policies, continued

2.3 Summary of significant accounting policies, continued

m) Recognition of income and expenses

Revenue is recognised on an accrual basis to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group and the revenue can be reliably measured. The following specific recognition criteria must also be met before revenue and expenses are recognised:

Interest income and expense

For all financial instruments measured at amortised cost, interest income or expense is recorded using the effective interest method. The effective interest rate (EIR), is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument (or a shorter period, where appropriate), to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. The calculation takes into account all contractual terms of the financial instrument (for example, prepayment options) and includes any fees or incremental costs that are directly attributable to the instrument and are an integral part of the EIR, but not future credit losses. For financial liabilities such as deposits, interest is expensed based on the outstanding balance of these deposit accounts.

Fees and commission income

Fees and commission income are generally recognised on an accrual basis when the service has been provided. Loan commitment fees for loans that are likely to be drawn down are deferred (together with related direct costs) and recognised as an adjustment to the effective interest rate on the loan.

Dividend income

Dividend income is recognised when the Group's right to receive the dividend is established.

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2. Accounting Policies, continued

2.4 Changes in accounting policy and disclosures

Standards, interpretations and amendments to existing standards effective for the current year

The Group has consistently applied the accounting policies set out in Note 2 to all periods presented in these consolidated financial statements.

During the year, certain new standards, interpretations and amendments to the existing standards became effective. Management has assessed that these new standards, interpretations and amendments to the existing standards where relevant did not have any significant impact on the preparation of these consolidated financial statements. The application of these pronouncements has therefore not been reflected in these consolidated financial statements.

Standards in issue but not yet effective

New standards, interpretations and amendments to existing standards that are not yet effective and have not been early adopted by the Group are as follows:

- IAS 7 (Amendments) – Disclosure Initiative (effective January 1, 2017)
- IAS 12 (Amendments) – Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealised Losses (effective January 1, 2017)
- Annual Improvements to IFRS 2014-2016 Cycle – (Amendments to IFRS 12 Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities (effective January 1, 2017)
- Annual Improvements to IFRS 2014-2016 Cycle – (Amendments to IFRS 1 First time Adoption of IFRSs and IAS 28 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures (effective date January 1, 2018)
- IAS 40 (Amendments) – Transfer of Investment Property (effective January 1, 2018)
- IFRS 2 (Amendments) – Classification and Measurement of Share-based Payment Transactions (effective date January 1, 2018)
- IFRS 4 (Amendments) – Applying IFRS 9 Financial Instruments with IFRS 4 Insurance Contracts (effective date January 1, 2018)
- IFRS 9 - Financial Instruments (effective January 1, 2018)
- IFRS 15 - Revenue from Contracts with Customers (effective January 1, 2018)
- IFRS 16 - Leases (effective January 1, 2019)

None of these is expected to have a significant effect on the consolidated financial statements of the Group in the period of adoption, except for IFRS 9 Financial Instruments, which tentatively becomes mandatory for the Group's 2019 consolidated financial statements, and is expected to impact the classification and measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities and introduces a new expected credit loss model for calculating impairment of financial assets. A description of this standard is provided below.

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2. Accounting Policies, continued

2.4 Changes in accounting policy and disclosures, continued

IFRS 9 — *Financial Instruments*

In July 2014, the IASB released the final version of IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments*. This standard addresses classification and measurement of financial assets and replaces the multiple category and measurement models for debt instruments in IAS 39, *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement*, with a new mixed measurement model having only two categories: amortised cost and fair value through profit or loss. IFRS 9 also replaces the models for measuring equity instruments, and such instruments are recognised either at fair value through profit or loss or at fair value through other comprehensive income. Where such equity instruments are measured at fair value through other comprehensive income, dividends are recognised in profit or loss insofar as they do not clearly represent a return on investment; however, other gains and losses (including impairments) associated with such instruments remain in accumulated comprehensive income indefinitely.

IFRS 9 introduces a new single expected credit loss (“ECL”) impairment model for all financial assets and certain off balance sheet loan commitments and guarantees. The new ECL model will result in an allowance for credit losses being recorded on financial assets regardless of whether there has been an actual loss event.

The ECL model requires the recognition of credit losses based on twelve months of expected losses for performing financial assets and recognition of lifetime losses on financial assets that have experienced a significant increase in credit risk since origination.

Requirements for financial liabilities carried forward existing requirements in IAS 39, except that fair value changes due to credit risk for liabilities designated at fair value through profit and loss would generally be recorded in the consolidated statement of other comprehensive income. It also includes guidance on hedge accounting. The standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018, with earlier application permitted. The Group is currently evaluating the impact of the standard on its consolidated financial statements.

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3. Net Interest Income

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Interest income		
Loans and advances	\$ 91,394,396	85,361,672
Financial investments	2,065,837	1,915,658
Cash resources	<u>1,781,967</u>	<u>2,184,945</u>
	<u>95,242,200</u>	<u>89,462,275</u>
Interest expense		
Deposits	32,364,857	30,791,965
Loans payable	<u>1,034,670</u>	<u>2,185,721</u>
	<u>33,399,527</u>	<u>32,977,686</u>
Net interest income	\$ <u>61,842,673</u>	<u>56,484,589</u>

4. Other Income

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Fee income	\$ 1,821,039	1,605,943
Legal income	1,239,028	1,145,884
Rental income	67,757	90,612
Bad debt recoveries	1,002,364	1,035,086
Insurance agency commissions	1,237,707	1,011,068
Dividend income	109,342	116,078
Realised gain on sale of investments	3,858	2,387
Gain on disposal of equipment	13,997	5,301
Lease income	12,650	-
Other	<u>96,144</u>	<u>8,790</u>
	\$ <u>5,603,886</u>	<u>5,021,149</u>

5. Staff Costs

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Salaries	\$ 14,746,023	13,545,031
National Insurance scheme contributions	1,134,900	1,055,453
Pension plan – defined contribution plan	93,625	88,965
Pension plan – defined benefit plan (Note 14)	557,575	567,412
Other costs	<u>1,955,454</u>	<u>1,963,229</u>
	\$ <u>18,487,577</u>	<u>17,220,090</u>

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6. Operating Expenses

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Anniversary expenses	\$ 353,288	329,846
Advertising	1,119,344	1,100,736
Affiliation	100,000	75,000
Audit fees	533,597	459,600
Bank charges	183,390	94,432
Committee travelling allowances	174,000	158,268
Development expenses	158,834	61,905
Direct cost of services	503,531	489,356
Educational grant and scholarship expenses	342,257	329,430
Elected Officials and Committee Training	399,942	407,944
Entertaining	88,393	83,554
Insurance	572,801	574,062
Janitorial services	415,582	355,343
Legacy Foundation – Donations	100,000	-
Legal and professional fees	766,453	827,573
Meetings and conferences	529,932	658,343
Membership security	2,739,311	2,530,109
Sundry expenses	135,677	83,257
National development expenses	60,000	82,812
Office stationery and supplies	1,094,422	1,078,650
Postage	202,728	94,987
Property taxes	230,139	251,076
Publicity and promotion	3,218,510	2,465,785
Regulatory licences	183,728	254,977
Rent	1,584,495	1,515,480
Repairs and maintenance	3,538,291	2,903,698
Security services	1,052,757	933,690
Social outreach expenses	159,700	127,746
Staff and members' training	1,062,545	636,042
Utilities	<u>1,385,466</u>	<u>1,232,455</u>
	<u>\$ 22,989,113</u>	<u>20,196,156</u>

7. Tax on Assets

Under the Tax on Asset Act, 2015, every credit union registered under Section 193 of the Co-operative Societies Act, Cap 378 with total gross assets of \$40 million or more, was required to pay within four (4) months after each assessment quarter, a levy of 0.20% per annum on the average domestic assets of the Credit Union. This Act came into effect on July 1, 2014 and expired on March 31, 2016, thus no tax on asset was incurred by the Barbados Public Workers Cooperative Credit Union during the year.

Capita Financial Services Inc., being a deposit-taking licensee, was also impacted by the Act. The Act stated that effective June 1, 2014, entities licensed under Section 22 of the Financial Institutions Act, Cap 324A with total gross assets of which is \$40 million or more and accepts deposits from third parties, shall pay by the 15th of the sixth (6th) month after each assessment quarter, a levy of 0.20% per annum on the average domestic assets of the deposit taking licensee. In the financial year 2017, the levy was increased to 0.35%.

Tax on assets expense incurred by the Group for 2017 amounted to \$728,304 (2016: \$2,326,813).

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8. Taxation

The corporation tax charge for the year is as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Current tax expense	\$ 61,483	223,721
Under accrual of prior year taxes	(7,782)	76,944
Deferred tax charge	<u>31,310</u>	<u>(31,861)</u>
Tax expense	\$ <u>85,011</u>	<u>268,804</u>

The tax on the Group's income before taxation differs from the theoretical amount that would arise using the statutory rate of corporation tax as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Income before taxation	\$ <u>16,037,896</u>	<u>13,451,101</u>
Tax calculated at a rate of 25% (2016 - 25%)	4,009,474	3,362,775
Income not subject to tax	(4,059,769)	(3,338,558)
Effect of different tax rates	(17,018)	(9,496)
Expenses not deductible for tax	120,975	43,891
Movement on deferred tax asset not recognised	36,207	161,226
Prior year's under provision of taxes	(7,782)	58,156
Tax loss utilization	-	(9,579)
Other	<u>2,924</u>	<u>389</u>
Tax expense	\$ <u>85,011</u>	<u>268,804</u>

Deferred taxation

The movement of deferred tax liability is as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Beginning of the year	\$ 52,180	84,041
Deferred tax charge	<u>31,310</u>	<u>(31,861)</u>
End of year	\$ <u>83,490</u>	<u>52,180</u>

The deferred tax asset not recognised comprises tax losses and accelerated tax depreciation of the St. Lucia Branch and tax losses of BPW Financial Holdings Inc.

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8. Taxation, continued

The accumulated losses for tax purposes which may be carried forward and set off against future taxable income as follows:

St. Lucia Branch

Year of Loss	Losses B/fwd	Incurred	Utilised	Expired	Losses C/fwd	Expiry Date
2011	\$ 58,128	-	-	(58,128)	-	2017
2012	207,101	-	-	-	207,101	2018
2013	45,750	-	-	-	45,750	2019
2017	-	43,572	-	-	43,572	2023
	\$ <u>310,979</u>	<u>43,572</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(58,128)</u>	<u>296,423</u>	

BPW Financial Holdings Inc.

Year of Loss	Losses B/fwd	Incurred	Utilised	Expired	Losses C/fwd	Expiry Date
2016	637,807	-	-	-	637,807	2023
2017	-	106,028	-	-	106,028	2024
	\$ <u>637,807</u>	<u>106,028</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>743,835</u>	

These losses are as computed by the subsidiary in its corporation tax returns and have as yet neither been confirmed nor disputed by the tax authorities.

9. Distributions to Members

Distributions to members include a dividend of \$0.238 (2016 - \$0.238) per share amounting to \$447,769 (2016 - \$417,329) and interest rebate amounting to \$2,188,556 (2016 - \$1,620,780).

10. Cash Resources

	2017	2016
Cash	\$ 67,803,584	72,623,606
Short-term deposits	<u>459,404</u>	<u>441,718</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	68,262,988	73,065,324
Other term deposits	43,713,277	50,402,514
Mandatory reserve deposits with Central Bank of Barbados	<u>5,375,828</u>	<u>4,875,828</u>
Total cash resources	\$ <u>117,352,093</u>	<u>128,343,666</u>

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10. Cash Resources, continued

Mandatory reserve deposits with the Central Bank are non-interest bearing and represent a subsidiary's regulatory requirement to maintain a percentage of deposit liabilities as cash or deposits with the Central Bank. These non-interest bearing funds are not available to finance day-to-day operations and as such, are excluded from cash resources to arrive at cash and cash equivalents for the purpose of the consolidated statement of cash flows.

At March 31, 2017, cash resources with the exception of mandatory reserve deposits with Central Bank carry interest rates varying from 0.10% to 4.30% per annum (2016 - 0.50% to 5%).

11. Financial Investments

Financial investments comprise:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Held to maturity		
Government securities	\$ 28,260,012	28,061,741
Interest receivable	<u>276,195</u>	<u>1,012,442</u>
	<u>\$ 28,536,207</u>	<u>29,074,183</u>

During the year ended March 31, 2017, interest rates varied from 4.25% to 8.50% per annum (2016 - 4.13% to 8.50% per annum).

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Available-for-sale		
Equities - quoted	\$ 2,228,207	1,650,939
Equities - unquoted	<u>767,159</u>	<u>754,438</u>
	<u>\$ 2,995,366</u>	<u>2,405,377</u>

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Loans and receivables		
Government securities	\$ 3,647,680	3,470,869
Interest receivable	<u>68,734</u>	<u>79,986</u>
	<u>\$ 3,716,414</u>	<u>3,550,855</u>

During the year ended March 31, 2017, interest rates varied from 4.25% to 7.38% per annum (2016 - 4.25% to 7.38% per annum).

Investments include treasury bills of \$2,650,000 (2016 - \$2,650,000) held as a result of a subsidiary's regulatory requirement to maintain 1.5% of total domestic deposits as a statutory reserve.

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12. Loans and Advances

(i) Loans and advances are comprised of the following:

	2017			
	<u>Consumer</u>	<u>Business</u>	<u>Mortgages</u>	<u>Total</u>
Performing loans	\$ 614,212,740	22,561,748	415,600,062	1,052,374,550
Non-performing loans	<u>41,105,267</u>	<u>688,562</u>	<u>21,945,913</u>	<u>63,739,742</u>
Gross loans	655,318,007	23,250,310	437,545,975	1,116,114,292
Less: provision for impairment	<u>(19,908,638)</u>	<u>(104,189)</u>	<u>(4,681,512)</u>	<u>(24,694,339)</u>
	<u>\$ 635,409,369</u>	<u>23,146,121</u>	<u>432,864,463</u>	1,091,419,953
Add: interest receivable				<u>7,813,297</u>
				<u>\$ 1,099,233,250</u>

	2016			
	<u>Consumer</u>	<u>Business</u>	<u>Mortgages</u>	<u>Total</u>
Performing loans	\$ 558,134,102	8,896,892	392,080,969	959,111,963
Non-performing loans	<u>35,061,187</u>	<u>646,858</u>	<u>21,150,390</u>	<u>56,858,435</u>
Gross loans	593,195,289	9,543,750	413,231,359	1,015,970,398
Less: provision for impairment	<u>(16,354,985)</u>	<u>(151,572)</u>	<u>(5,689,580)</u>	<u>(22,196,137)</u>
	<u>\$ 576,840,304</u>	<u>9,392,178</u>	<u>407,541,779</u>	993,774,261
Add: interest receivable				<u>7,655,727</u>
				<u>\$ 1,001,429,988</u>

Non-performing loans comprise of:

- i. Loans and advances of the parent that are in arrears over 90 days, which are either past due but not impaired or individually impaired
- ii. Non accrual loans of a subsidiary.

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12. Loans and Advances, continued

In October 2015, the subsidiary entered into a Deed of Sale and Administration agreement with the Eastern Caribbean Home Mortgage Bank (ECHMB), wherein the subsidiary sold its rights to 100% of the cash flows arising on a portfolio of loans amounting to \$2,424,473. The agreement provides that the subsidiary could repurchase and replace any loan included in the loan portfolio subject to the mutual agreement of the parties. The subsidiary has determined that substantially all the risks and rewards of the said loan portfolio have been retained by the subsidiary and consequently, the loans were not derecognized. The subsidiary accounted for the transaction as collateralized borrowing and recorded the cash received from such agreement as loans payable reported in the consolidated statement of financial position (see Note 18).

A portfolio of mortgage loans of a subsidiary has been pledged as security for certain customer deposits totalling \$18,850,000 (2016 - \$18,850,000). At March 31, 2017 a floating charge of \$15,000,000 (2016 - \$15,000,000) over these deposits had been formalised.

(ii) The movement in provision for impaired loans is as follows:

	2017			
	<u>Consumer</u>	<u>Business</u>	<u>Mortgages</u>	<u>Total</u>
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 16,354,985	151,572	5,689,580	22,196,137
Amounts charged off	(2,443,734)	(82,087)	(8,418)	(2,534,239)
Loan impairment expense	<u>5,997,387</u>	<u>34,704</u>	<u>(999,650)</u>	<u>5,032,441</u>
Balance, end of year	\$ <u>19,908,638</u>	<u>104,189</u>	<u>4,681,512</u>	<u>24,694,339</u>
Individual impairment	\$ 15,464,316	78,508	3,803,878	19,346,702
Collective impairment	<u>4,444,322</u>	<u>25,681</u>	<u>877,634</u>	<u>5,347,637</u>
	\$ <u>19,908,638</u>	<u>104,189</u>	<u>4,681,512</u>	<u>24,694,339</u>

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12. Loans and Advances, continued

	2016			
	<u>Consumer</u>	<u>Business</u>	<u>Mortgages</u>	<u>Total</u>
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 17,036,003	294,476	5,858,141	23,188,620
Amounts charged off	(5,202,888)	(35,988)	-	(5,238,876)
Loan impairment expense	<u>4,521,870</u>	<u>(106,916)</u>	<u>(168,561)</u>	<u>4,246,393</u>
Balance, end of year	\$ <u>16,354,985</u>	<u>151,572</u>	<u>5,689,580</u>	<u>22,196,137</u>
Individual impairment	\$ 12,123,333	112,888	4,592,104	16,828,325
Collective impairment	<u>4,231,652</u>	<u>38,684</u>	<u>1,097,476</u>	<u>5,367,812</u>
	\$ <u>16,354,985</u>	<u>151,572</u>	<u>5,689,580</u>	<u>22,196,137</u>

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13. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment is comprised of the following:

	2017					
	Land and Buildings	Motor Vehicles	Furniture and Equipment	Leasehold Improvements	Assets being Acquired	Total
Cost						
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 29,672,831	1,802,918	24,613,745	6,077,917	1,023,573	63,190,984
Additions/transfer	8,553,981	1,091,702	4,815,048	252,555	2,477,456	17,190,742
Disposals	-	(577,811)	-	-	-	(577,811)
Balance, end of year	<u>38,226,812</u>	<u>2,316,809</u>	<u>29,428,793</u>	<u>6,330,472</u>	<u>3,501,029</u>	<u>79,803,915</u>
Accumulated depreciation						
Balance, beginning of year	8,466,901	1,256,358	18,851,527	2,904,025	-	31,478,811
Depreciation	588,070	232,553	2,436,215	914,393	-	4,171,231
Disposals	-	(571,328)	-	-	-	(571,328)
Balance, end of year	<u>9,054,971</u>	<u>917,583</u>	<u>21,287,742</u>	<u>3,818,418</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>35,078,714</u>
Net book value, end of year	<u>\$ 29,171,841</u>	<u>1,399,226</u>	<u>8,141,051</u>	<u>2,512,054</u>	<u>3,501,029</u>	<u>44,725,201</u>

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13. Property and Equipment, continued

	2016					Total
	Land and Buildings	Motor Vehicles	Furniture and Equipment	Leasehold Improvements	Assets being Acquired	
Cost						
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 28,801,032	1,749,099	21,412,424	3,802,510	1,846,344	57,611,409
Additions/transfer	871,799	189,705	3,206,372	2,275,407	(822,771)	5,720,512
Disposals	-	(135,886)	(5,051)	-	-	(140,937)
Balance, end of year	<u>29,672,831</u>	<u>1,802,918</u>	<u>24,613,745</u>	<u>6,077,917</u>	<u>1,023,573</u>	<u>63,190,984</u>
Accumulated depreciation						
Balance, beginning of year	7,913,194	1,182,640	16,601,611	1,853,756	-	27,551,201
Depreciation	553,707	209,604	2,251,605	1,050,269	-	4,065,185
Disposals	-	(135,886)	(1,689)	-	-	(137,575)
Balance, end of year	<u>8,466,901</u>	<u>1,256,358</u>	<u>18,851,527</u>	<u>2,904,025</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>31,478,811</u>
Net book value, end of year	<u>\$ 21,205,930</u>	<u>546,560</u>	<u>5,762,218</u>	<u>3,173,892</u>	<u>1,023,573</u>	<u>31,712,173</u>

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14. Pension Plan Asset

The Credit Union participates in a defined benefit pension plan operated by a reputable insurance provider. The pension plan is jointly funded by payments from the Credit Union and certain employees, taking into account the recommendations of independent qualified actuaries.

The Actuary periodically (at least every three years) evaluates the financial position of the Plan and recommends the future contribution rate for the Credit Union.

The last full actuarial valuation of the pension plan for eligible employees was carried out on March 31, 2016.

In a Defined Benefit Pension Plan the employees' entitlement is determined by a formula based on their years of pensionable service and pensionable salary. It is typical for the employees' benefit to be integrated with the retirement benefits provided by the National Insurance.

The contribution rate paid by the employee is fixed and the Credit Union pays the balance of the ultimate cost of the benefits and hence the Credit Union's contribution is unknown. The Credit Union expects to pay \$557,575 in contributions to its defined benefit plan in 2017.

Currently at retirement employees are entitled to receive a pension benefit equal to:

1. 1.75% of their pensionable salary as at April 1, 2014 reduced by 1.32% of the National Insurance Insurable Earnings as at April 1, 2003 for each year of Ranking Service prior to April 1, 2003.

Plus

2. 1.75% of their total pensionable salary from April 1, 2003 reduced by 1.32% of the National Insurance Insurable Earnings as at April 1, 2003 for each year of Ranking Service prior to April 1, 2003.

Employees' pension benefits are further increased by the amount of pension that can be purchased with any voluntary contributions accumulated with credited interest to their retirement date.

There are three Trustees of the Plan, one is an employee representative while the other two are external to the Credit Union. The Trustees are required to understand the risks taken, make reasonable investment decisions, provide members with information and act in the best interests of the plan participants.

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14. Pension Plan Asset, continued

The Plan is invested in a segregated pensions fund consisting of two Funds which cover a broad spectrum of available assets. The strategic investment policy of the Funds can be summarised as follows:

Bonds Fund:

A unit trust with a strategy of acquiring regional and non-regional long-dated securities, where possible, but the majority of its financial investments are still predominantly in Barbados currency. The Fund's objective is to generate income and preserve capital through investment in competitive yielding fixed income securities including mortgages, bonds and other debt instruments.

Equity Fund:

This is a unit trust that invests mainly in Barbadian equities, Barbadian real estate, commercial mortgages, foreign equities and bonds. This Fund's objective is to provide long-term capital growth through investment in a diversified portfolio of equity securities and real estate.

The current instruction is to invest all new cash flows 50% in the Bonds Fund and 50% in the Equity Fund. At present, approximately 45% of the Plan's assets are invested in the Equity Fund and 55% are invested in the Bonds Fund.

- a) The amounts recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position are determined as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Present value of obligation to plan members	\$ (9,407,862)	(8,919,972)
Pension plan assets at fair value	<u>10,639,923</u>	<u>9,357,750</u>
Asset recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position	\$ <u>1,232,061</u>	<u>437,778</u>

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14. Pension Plan Asset, continued

- b) Movement in the amounts recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position is as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Asset, beginning of year	\$ 437,778	687,429
Contributions paid	663,507	607,479
Pension expense recognised in consolidated statement of income	(557,575)	(567,412)
Re-measurement recognised in other comprehensive income	<u>688,351</u>	<u>(289,718)</u>
Asset, end of year	\$ <u>1,232,061</u>	<u>437,778</u>

- c) Changes in the present value of the obligation for defined benefit pension plans were as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Opening obligation	\$ 8,919,972	8,164,276
Interest cost	738,221	672,883
Current service cost	548,082	577,540
Employees' contributions	115,927	108,000
Benefits paid	(86,321)	(306,472)
Actuarial losses arising from: Experience adjustments	<u>(828,019)</u>	<u>(296,255)</u>
Closing obligation	\$ <u>9,407,862</u>	<u>8,919,972</u>

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14. Pension Plan Asset, continued

d) (i) Changes in the fair value of the defined benefit pension plan assets were as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Opening fair value of plan assets	\$ 9,357,750	8,851,705
Actual return	611,544	115,180
Employer's contributions	663,507	607,479
Employees' contributions	115,927	108,000
Benefits paid	(86,321)	(306,472)
Administrative expenses	<u>(22,484)</u>	<u>(18,142)</u>
Closing fair value of plan assets	\$ <u>10,639,923</u>	<u>9,357,750</u>

(ii) Plan assets consist of the following:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Equities	\$ 4,908,414	4,192,476
Bonds	<u>5,731,509</u>	<u>5,165,274</u>
	\$ <u>10,639,923</u>	<u>9,357,750</u>

The assets of the plan are invested in segregated funds. The major asset categories underlying the plan assets are as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Mortgages	11.42%	13.86%
Bonds	36.40%	39.17%
Equities	33.90%	34.50%
Property	5.24%	5.07%
Other	13.04%	7.40%

e) The amounts recognised in the consolidated statement of income are as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Current service cost	\$ 548,082	577,540
Interest cost on obligation	738,221	672,883
Expected return on plan assets	(751,212)	(701,153)
Administrative expenses	<u>22,484</u>	<u>18,142</u>
Net pension expense included in staff costs (Note 5)	\$ <u>557,575</u>	<u>567,412</u>

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14. Pension Plan Asset, continued

- f) The amounts recognised in the consolidated statement of other comprehensive income are as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Remeasurement gain on obligation	\$ (828,019)	(296,255)
Remeasurement loss on plan assets	<u>139,668</u>	<u>585,973</u>
	\$ <u>(688,351)</u>	<u>289,718</u>

- g) Principal actuarial assumptions at the reporting date (expressed as weighted averages):

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Discount rate at end of year	7.75%	7.75%
Expected return on plan assets at end of year	n/a	n/a
Future salary increases	6.75%	6.75%
Future pension increases	1.75%	1.75%
Future changes in NIS ceiling	4.25%	4.25%
Proportion of employees opting for early retirement	0.00%	0.00%
Termination of active members	0.00%	0.00%
Future expenses	0.00%	0.00%

At March 31, 2017, the weighed-average duration of the defined benefit obligation was 22.07 years.

- h) Sensitivity analysis on projected benefit obligation:

Reasonably possible changes at the reporting date to one of the relevant actuarial assumptions, holding other assumptions constant, would have affected the defined benefit obligation by the amounts shown below:

	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
Discount rate (1% movement)	(1,752,367)	2,346,851
Future salary growth (0.5% movement)	958,281	(869,986)

As mortality continues to improve, estimates of life expectancy are expected to increase. The effect on the projected benefit obligation of an increase of one year in the life expectancy is approximately \$193,872.

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15. Other Assets

Other assets are comprised of the following:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Accounts receivable	\$ 7,337,415	9,211,719
Prepaid employee benefit (Note 19)	3,156,119	3,120,994
Prepaid expenses	2,681,141	2,131,905
Premiums receivable	950,334	1,322,565
Interest receivable on cash resources	7,181	17,620
Dividend receivable	55,000	55,000
Other Assets re Goodwill Credit Union (Note 28)	<u>39,786</u>	<u>42,534</u>
	<u>\$ 14,226,976</u>	<u>15,902,337</u>

16. Intangible Asset

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Goodwill	\$ <u>2,910,000</u>	<u>2,910,000</u>

Impairment tests for goodwill

Goodwill is allocated to one cash-generating unit (CGU).

The recoverable amount for the CGU has been determined using value-in-use calculations. These calculations use cash flow projections based on financial budgets approved by management covering a three year period. Cash flows beyond the three year period are extrapolated using the estimated growth rate stated below. The growth rate does not exceed the long-term average growth rates for the country in which the CGU operates.

Key assumptions used for value-in-use calculations

Key assumptions are those to which the CGU's recoverable amount is most sensitive. The value-in-use calculation was based on a discount rate of 19% and a growth rate of 7%.

Sensitivity to changes in assumptions

Management believes that no reasonably possible change in any of the above key assumptions would cause the carrying value of the unit to exceed its recoverable amount.

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17. Deposits

(i) This amount comprises:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Saving deposits	\$ 438,019,455	400,347,839
Deposits payable on fixed date	651,483,711	589,014,050
Registered retirement savings plan deposits (a)	<u>42,760,928</u>	<u>41,115,349</u>
	1,132,264,094	1,030,477,238
Interest payable	<u>6,222,052</u>	<u>6,694,936</u>
	<u>\$ 1,138,486,146</u>	<u>1,037,172,174</u>

(a) The Group operates a registered retirement savings plan for the benefit of its members and guarantees a minimum return on plan deposits of the higher of 5.00% and 1.00% above the minimum deposit rate. At March 31, 2017 the minimum deposit rate was 1.50% (2016 - 2.00%).

(ii) Concentration of deposits

Deposits (excluding interest payable) comprised the following:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Personal	\$ 923,911,522	828,331,680
Commercial	<u>208,352,572</u>	<u>202,145,558</u>
	<u>\$ 1,132,264,094</u>	<u>1,030,477,238</u>

At March 31, 2017, deposits pledged as security for loans to members and not available for withdrawal totalled \$302,834,542 (2016 - \$283,398,239). The average yield of deposits during the year was 2.83% (2016 - 3.00%).

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18. Loans Payable

Loans payable is comprised of the following:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
National Insurance Board (i)	\$ 1,079,155	14,895,558
Housing Credit Fund (ii)	19,571,153	24,310,401
ECHMB (iii)	<u>1,672,857</u>	<u>1,805,371</u>
	\$ <u>22,323,165</u>	<u>41,011,330</u>

- (i) The National Insurance Board loans amounting to \$1,079,155 (2016 - \$14,895,558), which were acquired prior to March 31, 2011, are repayable over an average period of seventeen years and are secured by an equivalent value of first legal mortgages over residential properties funded by the loan proceeds. The interest rates on these loans ranged from 5.25% to 6.00% (2016 - 5.25% to 6.00%) at year end.

During the financial year, the Credit Union fully repaid its loans which were acquired from the National Insurance Board in January 2010 and were due to mature in February 2030.

- (ii) The Housing Credit Fund loans are repayable over twenty-five years and are secured by an equivalent value of first legal mortgages over residential properties. The interest rate on all loans at year end was 3.00% (2016 – 3.00%).
- (iii) The Eastern Caribbean Home Mortgage Bank loan is comprised of cash proceeds from the collateralized borrowing as discussed in Note 12.

The Group has not had any defaults of principal, interest or other breaches with respect to its loans payable during the years ended March 31, 2017 and 2016.

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19. Other Liabilities

Other liabilities is comprised of the following:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Retention payable (i)	\$ 513,609	513,609
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	7,032,410	5,111,101
Amounts payable re Goodwill Credit Union (Note 28)	90,396	100,377
Fair value adjustment - staff loans (ii)	3,208,731	3,196,129
Premiums payable	1,026,417	1,602,519
Deferred loan commitment loan fees	398,406	425,828
Unallocated receipts to members	713,015	1,331,048
Interest rebate payable	203,026	203,026
Withholding tax payable	<u>520,398</u>	<u>232,840</u>
	\$ <u>13,706,408</u>	<u>12,716,477</u>

- (i) At March 31, 2017, a retention payable amounting to \$ 513,609 (2016 - \$513,609) remained due under the terms of the sale and purchase agreement originating from the acquisition of a subsidiary.
- (ii) The fair value adjustment - staff loans represents the deferred interest income on staff loans associated with the difference between the market value and the carrying value of the loans as a result of the interest rates on the staff loans being lower than the market interest rate. This balance is partially offset by the prepaid employee benefit recorded and included in other assets (Note 15). The deferred interest income will be recognised over the term of the staff loans.

20. Share Capital

Section 10 of the Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Act, 2007-39, requires that each member hold a minimum value of membership qualifying shares as determined by the Credit Union.

The qualifying amount for membership amounts to \$120 which comprises 24 shares at a nominal value of \$5 per share. All shares are non-withdrawable except on the termination of membership. There is no limit to the number of shares the Credit Union is authorised to issue.

At March 31, 2017 the total number of membership qualifying shares was 2,016,744 (2016 - 1,881,480).

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21. Statutory Reserves

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Statutory reserve (i)	\$ <u>107,687,256</u>	<u>97,657,847</u>
	\$ <u>107,687,256</u>	<u>97,657,847</u>

(i) Statutory reserve

The movement in this reserve during the year is as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 97,657,847	89,803,786
Transfers to reserve – statutory *	5,557,892	5,101,250
Transfer to reserve – statutory **	67,451	101,605
Transfers to reserve – voluntary	<u>4,371,806</u>	<u>2,620,906</u>
	107,654,996	97,627,547
Entrance fees	<u>32,260</u>	<u>30,300</u>
Balance, end of year	\$ <u>107,687,256</u>	<u>97,657,847</u>

* Section 197(2) of the Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Act 2007-39 requires for the Credit Union that an appropriation equivalent to the greater of one half of one per cent (0.5%) of total assets or twenty-five per cent (25%) of net surplus shall be credited to the reserve fund annually until capital equals ten per cent (10%) of total assets. The Registrar of Co-operatives may increase the appropriation amount to forty per cent (40%) of net surplus or one per cent (1%) of total assets in certain circumstances.

** Under the provisions of the Financial Institutions Act, a subsidiary is required to transfer a minimum of 15% of its after tax profits to a reserve fund until such fund equals the share capital. A transfer of \$67,451 was required during 2017 (2016 - \$101,605).

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22. Other Reserves

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Fair value reserve	\$ 1,449,287	862,384
Special funds	943,962	1,008,479
Donated equity	26,909	26,909
Defined benefit plan	637,481	(50,870)
Reserve for interest on non-performing loans	<u>2,750,622</u>	<u>2,565,380</u>
	<u>\$ 5,808,261</u>	<u>4,412,282</u>

Fair value reserve

The fair value reserve represents the net effect of fair value gains or losses on available-for-sale investment securities held.

The movement on the fair value reserve for the year is as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 862,384	542,324
Unrealised fair value gains (losses)	<u>586,903</u>	<u>320,060</u>
Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 1,449,287</u>	<u>862,384</u>

Special funds

The special reserve funds comprise the following:

- (i) **Social Outreach Fund**
The Social Outreach Fund was created to provide charitable donations to members in need of financial assistance.
- (ii) **Education Fund**
The Education Fund was established to provide grants and scholarships to members pursuing educational programmes.
- (iii) **Development Fund**
In June 2004, the general membership approved the establishment of the Development Fund to assist with the exploratory cost relating to projects of a developmental nature.
- (iv) **BCCUL Training/Education Fund**
The BCCUL Training/Education Fund was instituted in June 2002 to finance the education of credit union members and the general public in credit union philosophy and operations.
- (v) **BPWCCUL Foundation**
This fund was established in June 2009 to fund major philanthropic initiatives undertaken by the Credit Union.

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22. Other Reserves, continued

Special funds, continued

(vi) National Development Fund

This fund was established in June 2009 to assist the Barbados Co-operative Credit Union League Limited in funding developmental initiatives for the credit union movement in Barbados.

(vii) Credit Union Liability Insurance Fund

This fund was established in June 2010 to facilitate the establishment of deposit liability insurance for credit unions.

The movement in special funds during the year is as follows:

March 31, 2017

	Balance at Beginning	Amounts Appropriated	Amounts Utilised	Balance at End
Social Outreach Fund	\$ 72,254	123,734	(159,700)	36,288
Education Fund	188,130	360,635	(342,257)	206,508
Development Fund	288,095	61,905	(108,834)	241,166
BCCUL Training/Education Fund	50,000	50,000	(50,000)	50,000
BPWCCUL Foundation	-	100,000	(100,000)	-
Small and Micro Business Fund	150,000	-	-	150,000
National Development Fund	-	60,000	(60,000)	-
Credit Union Liability Insurance Fund	260,000	-	-	260,000
	<u>\$ 1,008,479</u>	<u>756,274</u>	<u>(820,791)</u>	<u>943,962</u>

March 31, 2016

	Balance at Beginning	Amounts Appropriated	Amounts Utilised	Balance at End
Social Outreach Fund	\$ 154,649	45,351	(127,746)	72,254
Education Fund	61,110	456,450	(329,430)	188,130
Development Fund	119,690	230,310	(61,905)	288,095
BCCUL Training/Education Fund	-	50,000	-	50,000
BPWCCUL Foundation	-	-	-	-
Small and Micro Business Fund	-	150,000	-	150,000
National Development Fund	82,812	-	(82,812)	-
Credit Union Liability Insurance Fund	260,000	-	-	260,000
	<u>\$ 678,261</u>	<u>932,111</u>	<u>(601,893)</u>	<u>1,008,479</u>

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22. Other Reserves, continued

Donated equity

This amount totalling \$26,909 (2016 - \$26,909) represents the value of donations bestowed upon the Credit Union on incorporation.

Defined benefit plan

This amount totalling \$637,481 (2016 - (\$50,870)) represents the net amount of actuarial gains and losses and other items recognised directly in other comprehensive income on the Group's defined benefit plan. (Note 14)

Reserve for interest on non-performing loans

This amount totalling \$2,750,622 (2016 - \$2,565,380) is created to set aside interest accrued on non-performing loans where certain conditions are met in accordance with International Accounting Standard (IAS) 39. The guidelines of Section 202 (2) of the Co-operative Societies Act Cap. 378A, however do not allow for the accrual of such interest. The interest is therefore set aside in a reserve and is not available for distribution to members.

23. Related Party Disclosures

Related parties include those entities and individuals that have the ability to control or exercise significant influence over the Group in making financial or operating decisions, and entities that are controlled, jointly controlled or significantly influenced by them.

The consolidated financial statements include the consolidated financial statements of the Group and the subsidiaries listed below:

Name of Entity	Country of Incorporation	Equity Interest %
BPW Financial Holdings Inc.	Barbados	100
Capita Financial Services Inc.	Barbados	100

Terms and conditions of transactions with related companies

The transactions with related parties are made at terms equivalent to those that prevail in arm's length transactions. For the years ended March 31, 2017 and March 31, 2016, the Group has not recorded any impairment of receivables relating to amounts owed by related companies.

(i) Compensation of key management personnel of the Group

		<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Short term employee benefits	\$	2,391,721	2,462,709
Post-employment benefits		<u>114,703</u>	<u>141,961</u>
Total compensation paid to key management personnel	\$	<u>2,506,424</u>	<u>2,604,670</u>

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23. Related Party Disclosures, continued

(ii) Transactions with key management personnel of the Group

The Group enters into transactions, arrangements and agreements involving directors, senior management and their related concerns in the ordinary course of business at commercial interest and commission rates.

The following table provides the total amount of balances, which have been entered into with key management personnel for the relevant financial year:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Loans and advances	\$ 2,939,356	2,735,308
Deposits	1,682,374	1,569,400

The secured loans and advances are secured over property of the respective borrowers. Other balances are not secured and no guarantees have been obtained.

No impairment losses have been recorded against balances outstanding during the period with key management personnel, and no specific allowance has been made for impairment losses on balances with key management personnel and their related concerns at the period end.

24. Commitments and Contingencies

(i) Operating lease commitments

Where the Group is the lessee, the future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Less than one year	\$ 1,294,653	1,524,908
Between one and five years	<u>2,537,894</u>	<u>3,828,325</u>
	<u>\$ 3,832,547</u>	<u>5,353,233</u>

(ii) Loan commitments

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Consumer loans approved and pending disbursement	\$ 16,336,526	18,408,702
Mortgage loans approved and pending disbursement	31,352,468	42,146,392
Available balances on line of credit accounts	<u>15,371,476</u>	<u>15,104,437</u>
	<u>\$ 63,060,470</u>	<u>75,659,531</u>

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24. Commitments and Contingencies, continued

(iii) Loan facilities

Loan facilities committed but not recognised in the consolidated financial statements as at March 31, 2017 are as follows:

- (a) an approved line of credit facility of \$7,800,000 (2016 - \$10,000,000) with a bank. This facility is secured by a first legal mortgage over the property at Belmont Road. At March 31, 2017 this facility was undisbursed.
- (b) an approved line of credit facility of \$125,000 (2016 - \$125,000) with a bank for the purpose of securing the corporate credits used by the Credit Union during the normal course of business. This facility is secured by an equivalent value of held-to-maturity investments. The commitment due on this facility at year end was \$29,487 (2016 - \$28,732).

(iv) Legal proceedings

At March 31, 2017, there were certain legal proceedings against the Group. In view of the inherent difficulty of predicting the outcome of such matters, the Group cannot state what the eventual outcome of such matters will be; however, based on current knowledge, the Group does not believe that liabilities, if any, arising from pending litigation will have a material adverse effect on its consolidated financial position or results of operations.

25. Financial Risk Management

25.1 Introduction

Risk is inherent in the Group's activities but is managed through a process of on-going identification, measurement and monitoring, subject to risk limits and other controls. This process of risk management is critical to the Group's continuing profitability and each individual is accountable for the risk exposures relating to his or her responsibilities. The Group is exposed to credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk and operational risk.

The Group's aim therefore is to achieve an appropriate balance between risk and return and minimise potential adverse effects on its financial performance.

The independent risk control process does not include business risks such as changes in the environment, technology and industry. The Group's policy is to monitor those business risks through its strategic planning process.

Risk management structure

The Board of Directors is responsible for the overall risk management approach and for approving the risk management strategies and principles.

Supervisory and Audit Committees have the responsibility to monitor the overall risk process within the Group.

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25. Financial Risk Management, continued

25.1 Introduction, continued

The Group's policy is that risk management processes are audited annually by the Internal Audit function, which examines both the adequacy of the processes and the Group's compliance with the processes. Internal Audit discusses the results of all assessments with management, and reports its findings and recommendations to the Supervisory and Finance Committees.

Risk mitigation

As part of its overall risk management, the Group invests a portion of its available funds in lending, financial investments and non-earning assets. The Group's main source of income is derived from lending and it seeks to actively use collateral to reduce its credit risk. The Group also has sought long term funding requirements to match their long term loan position.

In order to avoid excessive concentrations of risk, the Group's policies and procedures include specific guidelines to focus on maintaining a diversified portfolio.

25.2 Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that the Group will incur a loss because its customers or counterparties fail to discharge their contractual obligations. The Group manages and controls credit risk by setting limits on the amount of risk it is willing to accept for individual counterparties and by monitoring exposures in relation to such limits. Credit risk exposures arise principally in lending activities that lead to loans and advances, and investment activities that bring debt securities into the Group's asset portfolio. There is also credit risk in off-balance sheet financial instruments, such as commitments.

Loans and advances

The Group employs a range of policies and practices to mitigate credit risk relating to loans and advances. The most traditional of these is the taking of security for funds advanced. The principal collateral types for loans and advances within the Group are:

- Mortgages over residential properties
- Charges over financial instruments such as debt securities and equities
- Charges over business assets such as premises
- Hypothecation of deposit balances

It is the Group's policy to dispose of repossessed properties in an orderly fashion. The proceeds are used to reduce or repay the outstanding claims. The Group does not occupy repossessed properties for business use.

Financial investments

The Group limits its exposure to credit risk by investing only in entities that have high credit ratings and Government of Barbados securities. Government securities are invested over a longer period than term deposits with other financial institutions which typically mature within one year. The Group has invested in available-for-sale equity instruments as well which gives it an opportunity to monitor the performance of these companies over time and make economic decisions where warranted. The Group has documented investment policies in place, which guide the management of credit risk on investments.

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25. Financial Risk Management, continued

25.2 Credit risk, continued

Exposure to credit risk before collateral held or other credit enhancements

Maximum exposure

Credit risk exposures relating to on-balance sheet assets are as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Loans and advances to customers:		
Consumer	\$ 635,409,369	576,840,304
Mortgages	432,864,463	407,541,779
Business	23,146,121	9,392,178
Financial investments:		
Held to maturity	28,536,207	29,074,183
Loans and receivables	3,716,414	3,550,855
Cash resources	117,352,093	128,343,666

Credit risk exposures relating to off-balance sheet items are as follows:

Loan commitments	<u>63,060,470</u>	<u>75,659,531</u>
Total maximum exposure	\$ <u>1,304,085,137</u>	<u>1,230,402,496</u>

The above table represents the maximum credit risk exposure of the Group as of March 31, 2017 and March 31, 2016, without taking account of any collateral held or other credit enhancements attached. For on-balance sheet assets, the exposures set out above are based on net carrying amounts as reported in the consolidated statement of financial position.

Credit quality by class of financial assets

Loans and advances

The credit quality of the loans and advances is managed through the prudent underwriting principles established by the Group.

Financial investments

The Group has principally invested in government bonds issued by the Government of Barbados which in the 2016 financial year was downgraded to a BB+ rating by Standard & Pooors. During the year ended March 31, 2017, this rating was further downgraded to CCC+.

Cash and balances with Central Bank

The credit quality of financial institutions holding the Group's cash resources is assessed according to the level of their credit worthiness and by comparison to other financial institutions. The Group places its cash resources with reputable financial institutions.

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25. Financial Risk Management, continued

25.2 Credit risk, continued

The tables below show the credit quality and aging analysis by class of financial assets.

	2017			
	Neither past due nor impaired	Past due but not impaired	Individually impaired	Total
Cash resources	\$ 117,352,093	-	-	117,352,093
Financial investments:				
Held to maturity	28,536,207	-	-	28,536,207
Loans and receivables	3,716,414	-	-	3,716,414
Loans and advances:				
Consumer	513,406,516	112,559,729	29,351,782	655,318,027
Mortgages	306,063,306	119,886,958	11,595,711	437,545,975
Business	<u>20,977,827</u>	<u>1,939,466</u>	<u>333,017</u>	<u>23,250,310</u>
Total	\$ <u>990,052,363</u>	<u>234,386,153</u>	<u>41,280,510</u>	<u>1,265,719,026</u>

	2016			
	Neither past due nor impaired	Past due but not impaired	Individually impaired	Total
Cash resources	\$ 128,343,666	-	-	128,343,666
Financial investments:				
Held to maturity	29,074,183	-	-	29,074,183
Loans and receivables	3,550,855	-	-	3,550,855
Loans and advances:				
Consumer	455,648,567	111,937,749	25,608,973	593,195,289
Mortgages	293,748,794	109,104,586	10,377,979	413,231,359
Business	<u>7,692,187</u>	<u>1,547,167</u>	<u>304,396</u>	<u>9,543,750</u>
Total	\$ <u>918,058,252</u>	<u>222,589,502</u>	<u>36,291,348</u>	<u>1,176,939,102</u>

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25. Financial Risk Management, continued

25.2 Credit risk, continued

Individually assessed allowances

The Group determines the allowances appropriate for each individually significant loan or advance on an individual basis, including any overdue payments of interest or infringement of the original terms of the contract. Items considered when determining allowance amounts include the sustainability of the counterparty's business plan, its ability to improve performance once a financial difficulty has arisen, projected receipts and the expected payout should bankruptcy ensue, the availability of other financial support, the realisable value of collateral and the timing of the expected cash flows. Impairment allowances are evaluated at each reporting date, unless unforeseen circumstances require more careful attention.

Collectively assessed allowances

Impairment allowances are assessed collectively for losses on loans and advances, held-to-maturity debt investments and loans and receivable investments that are not individually significant and for individually significant loans and advances that have been assessed individually and found not to be impaired.

The Group generally bases its analyses on historical experience. However, when there are significant market developments, the Group would include macroeconomic factors within its assessments. These factors include, depending on the characteristics of the individual or collective assessment: unemployment rates, current levels of bad debts, changes in laws, changes in regulations, bankruptcy trends, and other consumer data. The Group may use the aforementioned factors as appropriate to adjust the impairment allowances.

The collective assessment is made for groups of assets with similar risk characteristics, in order to determine whether provision should be made due to incurred loss events for which there is objective evidence, but the effects of which are not yet evident in the individual loans' assessments. The collective assessment takes account of data from the loan portfolio (such as historical losses on the portfolio, levels of arrears, credit utilisation, loan to collateral ratios and expected receipts and recoveries once impaired) or economic data (such as current economic conditions, unemployment levels and local or industry-specific problems). The approximate delay between the time a loss is likely to have been incurred and the time it will be identified as requiring an individually assessed impairment allowance is also taken into consideration.

Loans with renegotiated terms and the Group's forbearance policy

Loans with renegotiated terms are loans that have been restructured due to deterioration in the borrower's financial position, where the Group has made concessions by agreeing to terms and conditions that are more favourable for the borrower than the Group has provided initially. The Group implements forbearance policy in order to maximise collection opportunities and minimise the risk of default. Under the Group's forbearance policy, loan forbearance is granted on a selective basis in situations where the debtor is currently in default on its debt, or where there is a high risk of default, there is evidence that the debtor made all the reasonable efforts to pay under the original contractual terms and it is expected to be able to meet the revised terms.

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25. Financial Risk Management, continued

25.2 Credit risk, continued

Loans with renegotiated terms and the Group's forbearance policy, continued

The revised terms usually include extending maturity, changing timing of interest payments and amendments to the terms of loan covenants. All loans are subject to the forbearance policy.

Once the loan is restructured it remains in this category independent of satisfactory performance after restructuring. The Group's Credit Committee regularly reviews reports on forbearance activities.

Write-off policy

The Group writes off a loan or an investment debt security balance, and any related allowances for impairment losses, when it is determined that the loan or security is uncollectible. This determination is made after considering information such as the occurrence of significant changes in the borrower's/issuer's financial position such that the borrower/issuer can no longer pay the obligation, or that proceeds from collateral will not be sufficient to pay back the entire exposure. For smaller balance standardised loans, write-off decisions generally are based on a product-specific past due status.

Commitments and guarantees

To meet the financial needs of customers, the Group enters into various irrevocable commitments and contingent liabilities. Even though these obligations may not be recognised on the consolidated statement of financial position, they do contain credit risk and are therefore part of the overall risk of the Group.

25.3 Liquidity risk and funding management

Liquidity risk is defined as the risk that the Group will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset. Liquidity risk arises because of the possibility that the Group might be unable to meet its payment obligations when they fall due under both normal and stressed circumstances. To limit this risk, management has arranged diversified funding sources in addition to its core deposit base, and adopted a policy of managing assets with liquidity in mind and of monitoring future cash flows and liquidity on a daily basis. The Group has developed internal control processes and contingency plans for managing liquidity risk. This incorporates an assessment of expected cash flows and the availability of high grade collateral which could be used to secure additional funding if required.

The Group maintains a portfolio of highly marketable and diverse assets that are assumed to be easily liquidated in the event of an unforeseen interruption of cash flow. The Group also has committed lines of credit that it can access to meet liquidity needs. In addition, the Group maintains a statutory deposit with the Central Bank of Barbados.

Analysis of financial liabilities by remaining contractual maturities

The table below summarises the maturity profile of the undiscounted cash flows of the Group's financial liabilities as of March 31, 2017 and March 31, 2016 on the basis of their earliest possible contractual maturity.

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25. Financial Risk Management, continued

25.3 Liquidity risk and funding management, continued

Liquidity Risk – Financial Liabilities

	2017				Total
	Within 3 months	Within 3 -12 months	Within 1-5 years	Over 5 years	
Deposits	\$ 579,539,712	177,510,520	400,424,358	57,631,799	1,215,106,389
Loans payable	134,988	401,125	5,041,618	31,374,668	36,952,399
Reimbursable shares	-	-	7,875,475	-	7,875,475
Other liabilities	<u>5,324,878</u>	<u>5,172,799</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,208,731</u>	<u>13,706,408</u>
	<u>\$ 584,999,578</u>	<u>183,084,444</u>	<u>413,341,451</u>	<u>92,215,198</u>	<u>1,273,640,671</u>
	2016				Total
	Within 3 months	Within 3 -12 months	Within 1-5 years	Over 5 years	
Deposits	\$ 521,405,110	187,341,653	367,868,680	59,890,752	1,136,506,195
Loans payable	955,431	2,841,918	18,121,541	40,597,665	62,516,555
Reimbursable shares	-	-	7,165,090	-	7,165,090
Other liabilities	<u>1,844,657</u>	<u>7,675,691</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,196,129</u>	<u>12,716,477</u>
	<u>\$ 524,205,198</u>	<u>197,859,262</u>	<u>393,155,311</u>	<u>103,684,546</u>	<u>1,218,904,317</u>

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25. Financial Risk Management, continued

25.4 Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of financial instruments will fluctuate due to changes in market variables such as interest rates, foreign exchange rates and equity prices. The Group is mainly exposed to interest rate risk. The Group's exposure to currency risk is minimal as a result of the fixed rate of exchange between the Barbados and Eastern Caribbean dollar.

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk of loss from the fluctuations in the future cash flows or fair values of financial instruments because of a change in market interest rates. It arises when there is a mismatch between interest-bearing assets and interest-bearing liabilities, which are subject to interest rate adjustments, within a specified period. It can be reflected as a loss of future net interest income and/or a loss of current market values.

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25. Financial Risk Management, continued

25.4 Market risk, continued

Interest rate risk

A summary of the Group's interest rate gap position is as follows:

	2017					Total
	Up to 3 months	Within 3-12 months	Within 1-5 years	Over 5 years	Non-interest bearing	
Assets						
Cash resources	\$ 74,403,899	33,327,815	4,240,928	-	5,379,451	117,352,093
Financial investments	2,844,929	6,000,000	15,989,336	7,418,357	2,995,366	35,247,988
Loans and advances	33,453,007	36,989,099	263,127,280	765,663,864	-	1,099,233,250
Other assets	-	-	-	-	8,389,716	8,389,716
Total assets	<u>110,701,835</u>	<u>76,316,914</u>	<u>283,357,544</u>	<u>773,082,221</u>	<u>16,764,533</u>	<u>1,260,223,047</u>
Liabilities						
Deposits	568,585,135	172,192,963	363,276,010	34,432,038	-	1,138,486,146
Loans payable	94,983	284,950	3,530,834	18,412,398	-	22,323,165
Reimbursable shares	-	-	-	-	7,875,475	7,875,475
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	13,706,408	13,706,408
Total liabilities	<u>568,680,118</u>	<u>172,477,913</u>	<u>366,806,844</u>	<u>52,844,436</u>	<u>21,581,883</u>	<u>1,182,391,194</u>
Interest rate gap	<u>\$ (457,978,283)</u>	<u>(96,160,999)</u>	<u>(83,449,300)</u>	<u>720,237,785</u>	<u>(4,817,350)</u>	<u>77,831,853</u>

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25. Financial Risk Management, continued

25.4 Market risk, continued

Interest rate risk, continued

A summary of the Group's interest rate gap position is as follows:

	2016					Total
	Up to 3 months	Within 3-12 months	Within 1-5 years	Over 5 years	Non-interest bearing	
Assets						
Cash resources	\$ 73,065,324	46,374,356	4,028,158	-	4,875,828	128,343,666
Financial investments	79,986	2,471,442	19,970,869	10,102,741	2,405,377	35,030,415
Loans and advances	23,917,100	31,142,146	234,395,420	711,975,322	-	1,001,429,988
Other assets	-	-	-	-	10,649,438	10,649,438
Total assets	<u>97,062,410</u>	<u>79,987,944</u>	<u>258,394,447</u>	<u>722,078,063</u>	<u>17,930,643</u>	<u>1,175,453,507</u>
Liabilities						
Deposits	510,870,196	177,981,421	328,560,068	36,383,171	-	1,053,794,856
Loans payable	699,074	2,125,387	13,455,642	24,731,227	-	41,011,330
Reimbursable shares	-	-	-	-	7,165,090	7,165,090
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	12,716,477	12,716,477
Total liabilities	<u>511,569,270</u>	<u>180,106,808</u>	<u>342,015,710</u>	<u>61,114,398</u>	<u>19,881,567</u>	<u>1,114,687,753</u>
Interest rate gap	\$ <u>(414,506,860)</u>	<u>(100,118,864)</u>	<u>(83,621,263)</u>	<u>660,963,665</u>	<u>(1,950,924)</u>	<u>60,765,754</u>

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25. Financial Risk Management, continued

25.4 Market risk, continued

Interest rate risk, continued

An interest rate sensitivity analysis was performed to determine the impact on profit of reasonable possible changes in the interest rates prevailing as at March 31, 2017, with all other variables held constant.

The impact is illustrated and shown in the table below:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Increase / decrease of 100 bps		
Impact on profit + 100 bps	\$ (3,485,878)	(3,192,506)
Impact on profit – 100 bps	1,442,284	1,919,958

25.5 Operational risk

Operational risk is the risk of direct or indirect loss arising from a wide variety of causes associated with the Group's processes, personnel, technology and infrastructure, and from external factors other than credit, market and liquidity risks such as those arising from legal and regulatory requirements and generally accepted standards of corporate behaviour.

While operational risk is inherent to each of the Group's business activities, the exposure is minimised by ensuring that the appropriate infrastructure, controls, systems and human resources are in place. Key policies and procedures used in managing operating risk involve a strong internal audit function, segregation of duties, delegation of authority, and financial and managerial reporting.

Within the Group, mitigation of operating risk is assigned to senior management supported by a well-defined organisational structure that segregates operational and administrative functions. Back-up capabilities are also maintained to ensure on-going service delivery in adverse circumstances.

In addition, periodic reviews are undertaken by the Internal Audit department. The results of the reviews are discussed with the management of the business unit to which they relate, senior management and the Board of Directors.

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26. Fair Value

Fair value represents the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date and is best evidenced by a quoted market price, if one exists.

Financial assets and liabilities are carried at amounts, which approximate to their fair value at the statement of financial position date. Fair value estimates are made at a specific point in time, based on market conditions and information about the financial instrument.

These estimates are subjective in nature and involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment and therefore, cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect the estimates.

For financial assets and financial liabilities that are liquid or have short term maturity, it is assumed that the carrying amounts approximate their fair value. These include cash resources, other assets and other liabilities. The fair value of debt securities is based on quoted prices where available, or otherwise based on an appropriate yield curve with the same remaining term to maturity. The fair value of loans and advances largely approximates carrying value as the Group's portfolio comprises mainly variable rate loans. The fair value of deposits takes account of certain fixed rate deposits which have been discounted at current interest rates.

The fair values of financial assets and liabilities, together with the carrying amounts shown in the consolidated statement of financial position are shown in the table below:

		<u>2017</u>		<u>2016</u>	
	<u>Carrying Amount</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Carrying Amount</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	
Cash resources	\$ 117,352,093	117,352,093	128,343,666	128,343,666	
Financial investments	35,247,987	35,247,987	35,030,415	35,030,415	
Loans and advances	1,099,233,250	1,102,441,981	1,001,429,988	1,004,626,117	
Other assets	<u>8,389,716</u>	<u>8,389,716</u>	<u>10,649,438</u>	<u>10,649,438</u>	
	\$ <u>1,260,223,047</u>	<u>1,263,411,777</u>	<u>1,175,453,507</u>	<u>1,178,649,636</u>	

		<u>2017</u>		<u>2016</u>	
	<u>Carrying Amount</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Carrying Amount</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	
Deposits	\$ 1,138,486,146	1,225,997,892	1,037,172,174	1,123,620,770	
Loans payable	22,323,165	22,649,875	41,011,330	41,496,868	
Reimbursable shares	7,875,475	7,875,475	7,165,090	7,165,090	
Other liabilities	<u>13,706,408</u>	<u>13,706,408</u>	<u>12,716,477</u>	<u>12,716,477</u>	
	\$ <u>1,182,391,194</u>	<u>1,270,229,650</u>	<u>1,098,065,071</u>	<u>1,184,999,205</u>	

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26. Fair Value, continued

Determination of fair value and fair value hierarchy

The Group uses the following hierarchy for determining and disclosing the fair value of financial instruments by valuation technique:

Level 1: quoted (unadjusted) prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets is based on quoted market prices at the statement of financial position date. A market is regarded as active if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service, or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis. The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Group is the current bid price. These instruments are included in Level 1.

Level 2: other techniques for which all inputs which have a significant effect on the recorded fair value are observable, either directly or indirectly.

The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market (for example, over-the-counter derivatives) is determined by using valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise the use of observable market data where it is available and rely as little as possible on entity specific estimates. If all significant inputs required to fair value an instrument are observable, the instrument is included in Level 2.

Level 3: techniques which use inputs which have a significant effect on the recorded fair value that are not based on observable market data.

If one or more of the significant inputs is not based on observable market data, the instrument is included in Level 3.

The following table presents the Group's financial instruments that are measured at fair value.

March 31, 2017

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total Balance</u>
Investment securities				
Available-for-sale				
- Equity securities	\$ <u>2,228,207</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>767,159</u>	<u>2,995,366</u>

March 31, 2016

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total Balance</u>
Investment securities				
Available-for-sale				
- Equity securities	\$ <u>1,650,939</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>754,438</u>	<u>2,405,377</u>

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The following table below shows a reconciliation of all movements in the fair value of financial investments categorised within Level 3 between the beginning and end of the reporting period.

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Balance - beginning of year	\$ 754,438	682,522
Purchases	<u>12,721</u>	<u>71,916</u>
Balance – end of year	<u>\$ 767,159</u>	<u>754,438</u>

There were no transfers in or out of Level 3 during the year ended March 31, 2017 (2016: NIL).

The financial investments classified as Level 3 securities are carried at cost as fair value cannot be reliably estimated. Therefore no significant unobservable inputs have been considered in determining its value. The application of sensitivity analysis is therefore not relevant.

27. Capital Management

The Group's objectives when managing capital, which is a broader concept than the 'equity' on the face of the consolidated statement of financial position, are:

- To comply with the capital requirements set by the regulators of financial institutions where the Group operates;
- To safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern so that it can continue to provide returns to its shareholder and benefits for other stakeholders; and
- To maintain a strong capital base to support the development of its business.

Capital adequacy and the use of regulatory capital are monitored daily by the Group's management, employing techniques based on policies and guidelines regulated by both the Co-operative Societies Act and the Financial Institutions Act.

The Group's approach to managing capital did not change during the period.

Regulatory capital requirement

Under governing legislation which became effective March 31, 2008, the Credit Union is required to transfer from net surplus for the year an amount equivalent to the greater of 25% of net surplus or 0.5% of total assets until the capital to total assets ratio equals 10%. (Note 21)

For Capita Financial Services Inc., the Central Bank of Barbados requires that the entity (a) hold the minimum level of the regulatory capital and (b) maintain a certain ratio of total regulatory capital to the risk-weighted asset at or above the internationally agreed minimum of 8%.

The Group has complied with all externally imposed capital requirements.

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28. Goodwill Co-operative Credit Union Limited

At a Special General Meeting on October 25, 2014, the members of Goodwill Co-operative Credit Union Limited ("Goodwill") approved the transfer of Goodwill's assets and liabilities to the Credit Union, in accordance with section 132 of the Co-operative Societies Act. The Credit Union subsequently held a Special General Meeting on January 29, 2015, where its members approved the acceptance of the transfer.

The Financial Services Commission effectively approved the cancellation of the registration of Goodwill Co-operative Credit Union Limited on April 16, 2015.

The total assets and liabilities of Goodwill are recorded within Other Assets (Note 15) and Other Liabilities (Note 19) and are disclosed within the respective notes.



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