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ABOUT SHANNON GROUP

Shannon Group is focused on helping to deliver a vibrant, thriving economy in our region. We do this by having an airport that provides vital air connectivity for businesses and tourism; and a portfolio of property solutions to make our region an attractive location in which to establish and grow a business. We embrace smart and green technologies, and our campus features one of Ireland's largest multi-sectoral business parks. It is home to a diverse range of dynamic businesses including those developing solutions in the autonomous mobility space. All making Shannon an exciting region to work, live, visit and a great place to set up a business.

OUR VISION

Reach further to build a thriving, connected place

OUR MANDATE

To promote and facilitate air transport and aviation services in and around Shannon Airport and to optimise the return on its land and property and its shareholding in any subsidiary company



STRATEGIC PRIORITIES





CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REVIEW



CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REVIEW



MARY CONSIDINE, Chief Executive Officer

The COVID-19 pandemic continued to impact Shannon Group during 2021, contributing to another challenging year for the Group. Throughout the year we focused on the recovery and rebuilding of our businesses, with positive developments in the second half of the year providing grounds for future optimism. However, while air travel demand continues to recover, the Group is mindful of current geopolitical uncertainties and their potential influence on business performance during 2022.

OUR 2021 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

Shannon Group delivered an improved financial performance for FY 2021, with an increase of 18% in turnover to €40.5 million (2020: €34.3 million), while EBITDA before exceptional items increased to €8.6 million compared to €1.2 million in 2020. These improvements should however be measured against the devastating effect of the pandemic on the aviation sector globally in 2020, and its impact on the Group's performance that year. Our results also reflect the continuation of Government supports such as the

Employment Wage Subsidy Scheme and waiver of commercial rates, which the Group availed of during both 2021 and 2020. Shannon Airport also received funding under the COVID-19 Regional State Airports Programme during 2021.

Shannon Group is extremely grateful for Irish Government supports received during the year. Given the continued significant challenges facing the aviation industry, the Group believes that Shannon Airport will continue to require support as it rebuilds its business and restores route connectivity in the aftermath of the pandemic.

RESTORING CONNECTIVITY

Passenger numbers at Shannon Airport increased by 8% in 2021, with almost 380,000 passengers using the airport last year, compared to just over 352,000 in 2020. However, they were 78% lower than 2019 levels, the last full year of operations before the arrival of the pandemic.

Due to continued Government travel restrictions during the first six months of 2021, non-essential air travel was prohibited and, as a

result, the airport had no scheduled air services operating until June 2021, when Ryanair restored a number of routes to and from the airport. The second half of the year was a more positive one for the airport, with an expansion in the range of services offered through the second half of the year, as restrictions were lifted, and international travel began to recover.

The latter part of 2021, in particular, saw Shannon Airport experience a strong recovery in its European and UK air services. European passenger numbers from August to December recovered to 67% of 2019 levels, with the UK market recovering to 44% of 2019 levels. Both markets saw a fivefold increase in passengers between August and November 2021, when compared to the same period in 2020.

Having worked closely with Ryanair on an agreement for increased connectivity, Shannon Airport was delighted to secure services to 22 destinations with the airline, including six new routes.

The phased resumption of Aer Lingus's Heathrow service began in September 2021. This is a particularly important service for business travellers in the Mid-West region, given Heathrow Airport's hub status and the available range of connections to international marketplaces across the globe. Services came fully back to pre-pandemic levels in March 2022, including an early morning service to facilitate business travellers with onward connections.

During the year the airport intensified efforts with its valued airline partners to restore transatlantic air traffic, absent since the onset of the pandemic. The Group was very pleased when Aer Lingus confirmed the return of its daily services to Boston and New York, which resumed on the 10th and 11th March 2022 respectively. Further good news followed, with United Airlines confirming recommencement of its daily transatlantic service from Shannon to Newark starting on the 27th of March 2022.

These service resumption announcements were warmly welcomed by Shannon Group stakeholders across the region, particularly business customers who now have increased access to global markets, and local tourism, hospitality and service industries across the west of Ireland who rely on these air services to bring international visitors to their doors.

TOURIST ATTRACTIONS

Visitor numbers across Shannon Group's portfolio of heritage attractions continued to be impacted by the pandemic, with a drop in visitor numbers of almost 50% experienced since 2019, when the sites received 963,000 visitors. The easing of travel restrictions in 2021 unfortunately came too late to save the summer inbound market, in particular the U.S. market, and heritage sites were once again very dependent on domestic tourists. However, 496,000 visitors were received at the sites in 2021, up from just over 300,000 in 2020, an increase of 65%.

In June 2021, Shannon Group announced that it was in discussions with various parties to transfer the ownership and operation of its heritage sites to the local authorities in which they are located. This decision was taken to allow the Group to focus on the major task of ensuring airport recovery and building back international passenger volumes, while continuing to develop and grow the Group's commercial property activities and its innovation activities on the Shannon Campus.

Significant progress was made during the year on the transfer of these heritage sites to the relevant local authorities, and it is expected that this activity will be completed in 2022. Shannon Group will of course continue to strongly support heritage activities in the region through the airport's focus on attracting tourists to the west of Ireland.

FUTURE-PROOFING THE SHANNON CAMPUS

Since Shannon Group's establishment in 2014, almost €146 million has been invested in the enhancement of Shannon Airport facilities and the provision of property solutions across Shannon Group, providing attractive locations for both FDI and indigenous companies. Over €60 million of this investment took place between 2019 and 2021, and property development activity and performance remained strong in 2021.





CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REVIEW (CONTINUED)

During the period of severe travel restrictions on aviation, Shannon Group took the opportunity to continue its property investment strategy across our Campus, and vital funding was also secured from Government to undertake an ambitious capital programme at the airport. This included 'future-proofing' key elements of airport infrastructure, including a new and significantly enhanced Hold Baggage Screening facility.

The airport has taken further steps to improve the passenger experience during this time. The installation of a new state of the art security system allowed Shannon to become the first State airport to remove the 100ml restriction on liquid containers in hand baggage. In addition, the new system has halved the security screening time for passengers. These and other investments have contributed to an even smoother and more pleasant passenger journey through the airport.

Shannon Group has also been putting the necessary steps in place to facilitate the next stage of its property development strategy. This will see a Group investment of approximately €30 million in new building and airport upgrade projects, starting in 2022. Initiatives due to commence and for which planning approval has been granted include the upgrade and refurbishment of the Bays 135/137 complex in the Shannon Free Zone, construction of a new 60,000 square feet multi-unit warehousing development, and construction of a 40,000 square feet high-bay research and development unit, all located within the epicentre of the Shannon Campus. Planning

permission was also received for construction and development of a 58,000 square feet four-storey office.

Planning permission has been granted for the development of a new landside/airside cargo facility, to be located on a strategic site at the main entrance to the airport. Activity supporting the generation of a pipeline of new projects for the coming years will continue to be a key part of Shannon Group's strategic development plans.

Shannon Group is one of the main partners supporting the exciting work of Future Mobility Campus Ireland (FMCI) in providing a unique real-world setting for research and development associated with the next generation of automotive technology, including autonomous travel. During the year, FMCI expanded its land-based operation to include research in future air mobility, and Shannon Group is also participating in an initiative to establish Ireland's first cargo and passenger vertiport (air taxi and cargo drone operations) on Shannon Campus.

PRIORITISING SUSTAINABILITY

Sustainability is, and will continue to be, central to Shannon Group activities and priorities. The Group's cross-functional sustainability team continued to deliver multiple projects and initiatives throughout 2021, including construction of a community biodiversity garden at Shannon Airport, various carbon reduction initiatives and environmentally efficient infrastructure upgrades.

Shannon Group will launch its updated Sustainability Strategy during 2022. Recognising the challenges

posed by climate change, both to our own business and as a result of Group activities, the strategy sets out a clear plan for immediate action and lays the foundations for longer-term ambitions. In developing this strategy, we have received valuable input from our stakeholders, which has helped to ensure that areas of greatest importance for are being targeted, while addressing the issues that matter most to Shannon Group's people, customers, partners, and community.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Shannon Group is fortunate to have talented people and I am very pleased, as Group CEO, to take this opportunity to thank them for their hard work and commitment during the year and in dealing with the worst effects of the pandemic. Throughout these challenging times, they have been unwavering in their focus on recovery and rebuilding, to help ensure a successful future for the people and businesses in our region who rely on Shannon Airport services for their livelihoods. I would like to take the opportunity to thank our Shannon Heritage staff for all their efforts over the years since the formation of Shannon Group, and to wish them and the new operators every future success.

The Shannon Group Board has been extremely supportive during a very challenging period, for which I express my sincere appreciation. In March 2022, the Group welcomed the announcement, by the Minister for Transport Eamon Ryan T.D., of Mr. Conal Henry as the new Chairperson designate of Shannon Group. This followed the decision by Mr. Pádraig

Ó Céidigh to step down from the position. I would like to thank Mr. Ó Céidigh for his contribution to the Group and to wish him well in his future endeavours.

I look forward to working with Mr. Henry and the Board as the Group implements its recovery and rebuilding strategy in the aftermath of COVID-19 and during continued challenging and volatile times. Although it has been another difficult year, we are confident that the foundations for recovery are in place, having come through the worst effects of the pandemic.

During the year, Shannon Group once again received strong Shareholder support and I would like to thank Ministers Ryan and Naughton, and their teams in the Department of Transport, for their encouragement and support over the past twelve months.

I would like to thank all Shannon Airport and Group customers for their loyalty and ask them for their continued support, as we continue on our path of recovery and growth.

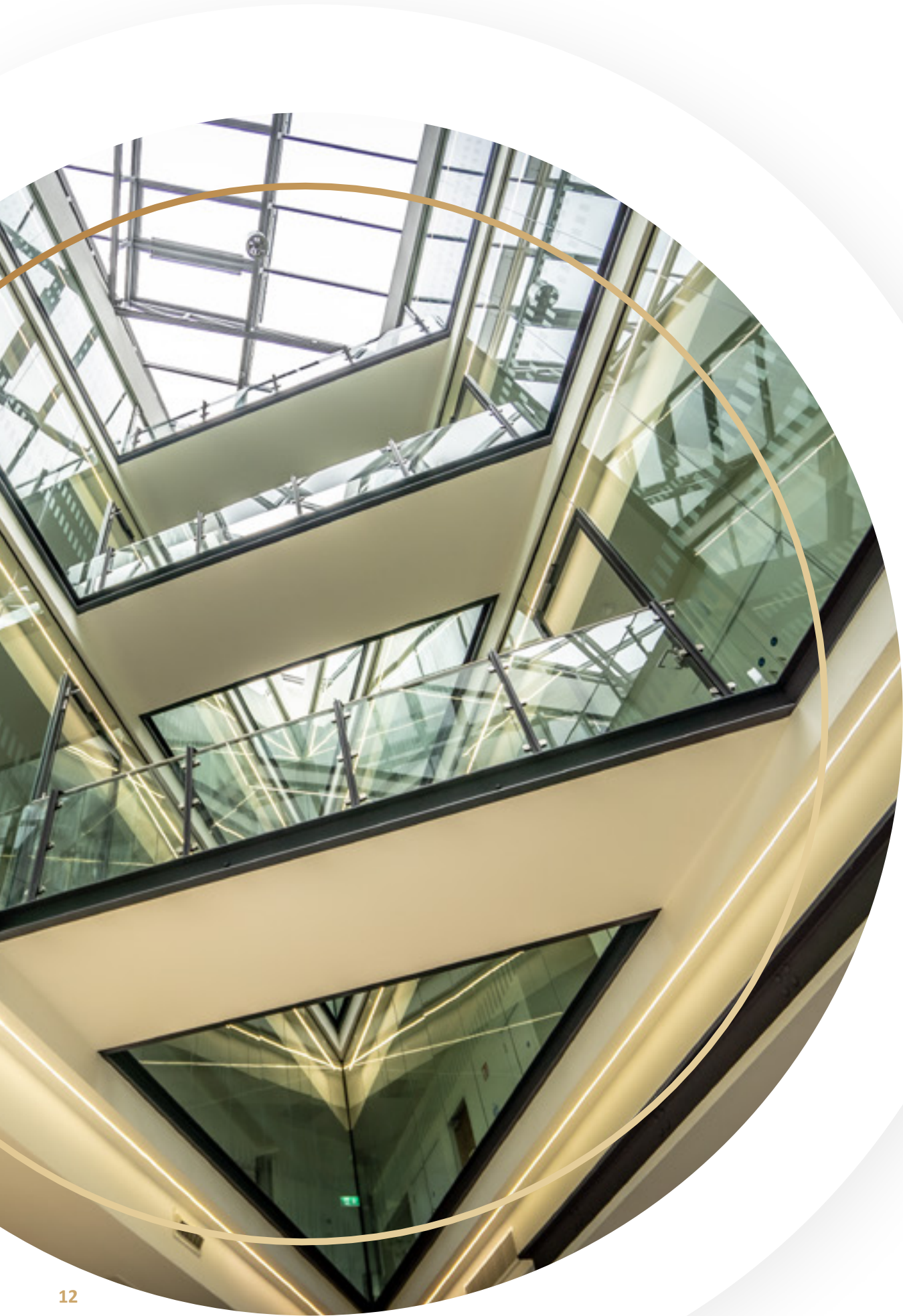
HOPEFUL FOR THE FUTURE

Through dedication, determination and partnership, Shannon Group will navigate successfully through these difficult times. Our team is committed to building sustainable livelihoods and a vibrant economy for our people and our region. I am confident that with continued support and hard work, Shannon Group will build back stronger and continue with its vital role in support of all Shannon Group stakeholders, and our region.

Mary Considine

Chief Executive Officer,
Shannon Group.





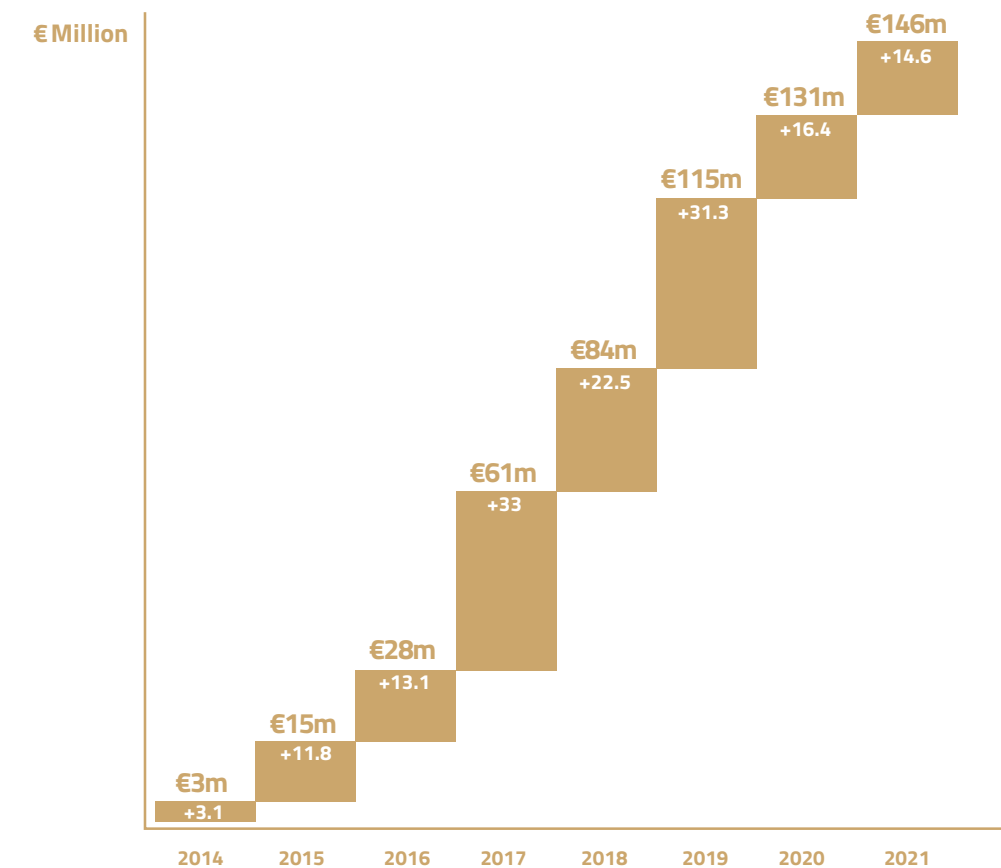
SHANNON GROUP 2021 FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Revenue	40,475	34,338
Operating Profit as reported (after exceptional items)	27,895	(26,484)
Investment properties revaluation (gains)/losses	(9,927)	469
Other income/expense (gains/losses on disposal of assets)	(10,451)	(7,831)
Grant funding	(6,185)	-
Exceptional items ^	-	27,920
Adjusted operating profit	1,332	(5,926)
Depreciation and amortisation	7,239	7,114
EBITDA (before exceptional items)	8,571	1,188

^ See page 60 for details of exceptional items

INVESTMENT DELIVERED

Since the formation of Shannon Group in 2014, we have invested almost €146 Million across our Shannon Campus.





THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SHANNON GROUP PLC



MARY CONSIDINE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Mary Considine is the Chief Executive Officer of Shannon Group. The Group's core businesses include Shannon International Airport and an extensive property portfolio across its Shannon Campus providing property solutions for FDI and indigenous companies. The Group is focused on developing its aviation and property businesses with sustainability embedded in its operations.

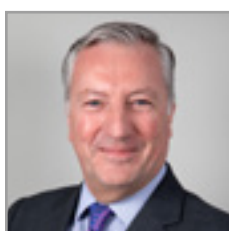
Mary was formerly Deputy CEO as well as CFO/Company Secretary of the Group, and previous to that she was Airport Director. She has extensive experience in the areas of aviation, commercial and finance having previously held a number of senior roles within the Group. President of the Ibec Midwest Regional Committee, Mary also sits on Ibec's national council. She is a member of the Governing Authority of Mary Immaculate College. She is a past President of Shannon Chamber of Commerce.



TOM KELLY

Tom Kelly was appointed to the Board of Shannon Group on the 25th October 2017. He chairs the Shannon Group Audit and Risk Committee. He has a substantial aircraft leasing and financial services background. He was the Chief Executive Officer of AerCap Ireland Limited from 2010 to 2021, having previously served as its Chief Financial Officer.

Previously, Tom spent ten years with GECAS where his last roles were as Chief Financial Officer and director of GECAS Limited, GECAS's Irish operation. He also served as global controller for GECAS in his role as Senior Vice President & Controller. Prior to joining GECAS in 1997, he spent over eight years with KPMG in their London office, where his last role was acting as a Senior Manager in their financial services practice. Tom is a Chartered Accountant and holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree from University College Dublin.



AMBROSE LOUGHLIN

Ambrose Loughlin was appointed to the Board of Shannon Group on 15th May 2019. Ambrose was a partner for 22 years with McCann FitzGerald, one of Ireland's leading law firms where in addition to client advisory work on financial services, he served in several senior management roles involving finance and risk. He is a board member since 2016 of the National Museum of Ireland and chairs its Audit and Risk Committee. He was recently appointed to the Finance HR and Asset Management Committee of the University of Limerick. From 2013 to 2019, he chaired

the Audit Committee of the Department of Finance. He has particular expertise in the areas of risk management and corporate governance.



KEVIN MCCARTHY

Kevin McCarthy was appointed to the Board of Shannon Group on 1st December 2018 as an Employee Representative. Kevin spent 40 years working in Shannon Airport's Police and Fire Service. He retired from Shannon Airport in October 2019.



LIAM O'SHEA

Liam O'Shea was appointed to the Board of Shannon Group on its incorporation on 29th August 2014. He sits on the Audit and Risk Committee and the Remuneration Committee. Liam is the former Chairman and Managing Director of Clare FM and Tipp FM and currently sits on the Board of Tipp FM. He is a founder member and former Chairman of Spin South West, and a founder member and former Board Director of Newstalk. Liam was inducted into the PPI Radio Hall of Fame in 2013.



MIKE QUINN

Mike Quinn was appointed to the Board of Shannon Group on 2nd March 2020. Mike is an experienced executive having held roles at CEO and Vice President level since 2007. He is currently CEO of UK based Doncasters Group, a leading international manufacturer of high-precision alloy components. His former roles include CEO of Bord Na Mona and Ervia (Irish Water and Gas Networks Ireland) and Chief Operating Officer of WELink Energy, a global renewables company. Prior to this, Mike held roles in several aerospace companies at Group Vice president level.

Mike holds a degree in Applied Physics and Electronics from Dublin City University, a Post Graduate Diploma from the University of Limerick and has completed advanced Leadership programs in Ross School of Business in the University of Michigan, USA and Cranfield university in the UK. More recently, Mike attended the authentic leaders program in Harvard University and completed the Institute of Directors Diploma course in Company Direction in the Irish Management Institute.



STEPHEN RAE

Stephen Rae was appointed to the Board of Shannon Group on 15th May 2019. Stephen is the founder of KOBN Cybersecurity, Climate and Compliance Advisory. He is chair of AML Intelligence, the global Anti-Financial Crime and Compliance publication. He is a co founder of Callaway Climate Insights, the climate and ESG business intelligence site.

Stephen serves on the Supervisory Board of the World Association of News Publishers, WAN-IFRA. He has served as a member of the European Commission's High-Level Expert Group on Online Disinformation and on the board of the World Editors Forum. He was the first Group Editor-in-Chief at Independent News & Media, Ireland's largest media group, where he oversaw the group's online operations and four national newspapers. Previously, he was the editor of two national newspapers and Independent.ie. Stephen is a qualified barrister and holds the Award in Business & Leadership from the Directors Course at Cranfield University.



LINDA TYNNE

Linda Tynne was appointed to the Board of Shannon Group on 1st December 2018 as an Employee Representative. Linda has worked at Shannon Airport for 31 years initially in Shannon Duty Free in 1987, travelling to St Petersburg to the new downtown duty free shop. After her time in Russia, Linda returned to Shannon and worked in different departments; Shannon Aviation Fuels, cash office supervisor and currently works in Shannon Airport Finance Department.



A LOOK-BACK AT 2021

Here is a flavour of some of the activities across Shannon Group during the year

1 Warm Welcome Back for Passengers at Shannon Airport

In July, staff welcomed back passengers to Shannon Airport and celebrated the lifting of the non-essential travel ban. Pictured l-r are: Declan Lynch, Airport Police Fireman; Amanda Orpen, retail sales assistant, Shannon Duty Free; Isabel Harrison, B2B Manager, Airport Aviation Development; Brian Maloney, Airport Search Unit, Screening Supervisor APFS; Maureen Lynn, Airport Search Unit Officer, Screening; and Philip O'Dea, Airport Police Fireman.

2 World's Largest Aircraft Touches Down at Shannon

In October, the world's largest aircraft, the Antonov AN-225 touched down at Shannon Airport for the last time, having travelled from China with a cargo consignment for distribution in the Irish retail sector. The giant plane previously landed at Shannon during the early stages of the pandemic, carrying the single largest consignment of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to be flown into Ireland on a single flight.

3 Celebrating Ryanair Winter Service Launch

In August, Shannon Group welcomed the announcement by Ryanair of six new routes, bringing the number of Ryanair air services available from Shannon Airport to 18 for the winter period. The news was widely welcomed after a very difficult period for the aviation industry. The airline also announced plans to re-establish a second based aircraft at the airport. Pictured are Mary Considine, CEO, Shannon Group and Eddie Wilson, CEO, Ryanair.

4 Biodiversity Garden Design Competition

In March, Shannon Group launched a competition for primary school students to design a new biodiversity garden on the Shannon Group Campus near the entrance to the Shannon Free Zone and Shannon Airport. Nine-year-old Molly McPhillips, a 3rd class student at St Senan's Primary School in Shannon won the competition from over 70 entries. Pictured (back row l-r) are; Gearóid O'Leary and Ken Power from Shannon Commercial Properties, with (l-r) students Bridget Duggan, Emily Guerin, Mark Hodges, Molly McPhillips and Aoife Earls.

5 Ireland's First Passenger and Cargo Vertiport

In May, Shannon Group with its partners Skyports, Future Mobility Campus Ireland (FMCI) and Avtrain signed a memorandum of understanding to establish Ireland's first passenger and cargo vertiport at Shannon. Pictured at the announcement are l-r; Russell Vickers, CEO, Future Mobility Campus Ireland, Julie Garland, CEO, Avtrain and John Drysdale, Business Development Manager at Shannon Group.

6 New Airport Security Screening System Eliminating the 100ml Rule

Thanks to a new €2.5 million high-tech security screening system introduced at Shannon Airport in October, the restriction on liquids of more than 100ml no longer applies. Passengers can travel with larger quantities of liquids as long as they fit into a cabin bag. The new system makes the removal of laptops and liquids from cabin bags a thing of the past and combined with the latest technologically advanced security scanning equipment, it halves the time spent going through security, making it quicker and easier. Pictured demonstrating the new equipment is John Francis, Chief Officer - Security, Airport Police Fire Service, Shannon Airport.





A LOOK-BACK AT 2021

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7 Shannon Welcomes One of the World's Most Unusual Aircraft

In May, while Ireland was battling the hatches during gale force winds, an intrepid pilot was taking to the skies at Shannon Airport. The gale provided perfect conditions for a rare sighting of the Airbus Beluga XL which travelled especially from Toulouse in France to Shannon Airport to undertake cross wind training in the skies above the airport.

8 Reopening of Bunratty Castle and Folk Park

Covid-19 continued to cause disruption to Shannon Heritage visitor attraction sites in 2021 but when they were permitted to open, staff ensured visitors got a great welcome. Sites reopened to the domestic market at the end of April following the lifting of Government restrictions for outdoor heritage sites. Pictured enjoying a visit to Bunratty Folk Park are l-r; Michael Grogan, resident Folk Park musician, with the Meehan family from Newmarket-on-Fergus, Co. Clare.

9 Honouring Clare Garda Youth Award Winners

Shannon Group continued its sponsorship of the Clare Garda Youth Awards for a sixth year. Winners from around County Clare were honoured at Shannon Airport for their "selflessness, volunteerism and a generosity of spirit". Pictured l-r are; Superintendent John Galvin, Mary Considine, CEO Shannon Group, Superintendent John Ryan, Megan White (Direct Provision Centre – King Thomond Hotel, Lisdoonvarna, representing Yaqoob Shinawari), Caithlin Griffin, Méabh O'Grady and Elise Casey.

10 Support for Crumlin Children's Hospital

Hundreds of gifts were collected at Bunratty Castle & Folk Park and sent to patients at Crumlin Children's Hospital in Dublin in early 2021. Following an appeal by Shannon Group employees, a 'Giving Tree' was created at Bunratty Castle & Folk Park, where visitors and members of the public were able to donate gifts. Pictured loading up toys donated as part of the initiative are; (l-r) Vanessa McTigue, Shannon Heritage, Michael Hogan, An Post Postman, and Colin Hennessy, Shannon Heritage.

11 MeiraGTx Expansion at Shannon Free Zone

In May, the successful completion of Phase 1 of MeiraGTx's multi-million euro expansion of its facility on the Shannon Campus at Shannon Free Zone was announced. Pictured l-r are; Tom O'Connor, Joint Managing Director Conack Construction, David Young, Project Manager MeiraGTx and Gerry Dillon, Shannon Group Property Director.

12 Minister Naughton at Shannon Airport

In September, Hildegard Naughton T.D., Minister of State at the Department of Transport accompanied by regional Oireachtas members, visited Shannon Airport and the surrounding campus and saw first-hand the improvements made to the airport during the COVID-19 pandemic.





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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their annual report and the audited consolidated financial statements of Shannon Group plc and subsidiaries ("the Group") for the year ended 31 December 2021.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

Shannon Group plc ("the Company") was incorporated on 29 August 2014 and following the enactment of the State Airports (Shannon Group) Act 2014 ("Shannon Group Act") on 5 September 2014 the Group was formed.

Shannon Airport Authority DAC ("Shannon Airport") and Shannon Commercial Enterprises DAC (trading as "Shannon Commercial Properties") are subsidiaries of the Company. Shannon Heritage DAC ("Shannon Heritage") is a subsidiary of Shannon Commercial Properties. SAA Pension Corporate Trustee DAC and Shannon Airport Authority Financial Services DAC are subsidiaries of Shannon Airport Authority DAC.

The Group's principal activities are the operation, management and development of Shannon Airport ("the Airport"), the management and development of the extensive commercial property portfolio held by Shannon Commercial Properties, including Shannon Free Zone, and the operation of Heritage and tourism sites managed by Shannon Heritage.

There has been no significant change in the principal activities of the Group during the year.

REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

Shannon Group plc is a state company with a clear commercial mandate. The purpose of Shannon Group is to promote and facilitate air transport and aviation services in and around Shannon Airport, and optimise the return on its land and property assets.

In addition to information directly included in this report, detailed commentaries on performance for the year ended 31 December 2021 including information on recent events, likely future developments facing the business and key performance indicators, required in accordance with the Companies Act 2014, are contained in the Chief Executive Officer's Review.

The Covid-19 pandemic has had a severe negative impact globally on air traffic volumes and tourism as governments imposed travel restrictions. This has

resulted in a significant reduction in revenue for two of the three Shannon Group business operations. With the lifting of the Covid-19 restrictions, the Group commenced its recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic. However, while air travel demand continues to recover, the Group is conscious of the current Ukrainian crisis and its potential impact.

Shannon Group plc has signed non-binding Heads of Terms with Clare County Council ("the Council") for the disposal of the entire Shannon Heritage business and all visitor attractions in County Clare to the Council. During 2021 Shannon Heritage ceased its management agreements for its various Dublin based visitor attractions. The operation of King John's Castle is scheduled to transfer to Limerick City and County Council on 4 April 2022.

RESULTS FOR THE YEAR

In this context, the directors are satisfied with the performance of the Group for the year. The results of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2021 are set out in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss on page 40 and in the related notes.

In monitoring the Group's performance, the directors and management have regard to a range of key performance indicators including the following:

Airport passenger numbers
Shannon Heritage visitor numbers
Turnover
EBITDA (earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation)
Profit/(loss) before tax
Profit/(loss) after tax
Net cash position
Capital expenditure
Proceeds from capital sales

The Group recorded a consolidated profit of €26.0 million (post-tax) (2020: loss of €28.2 million, post-tax and exceptional items) and consolidated turnover for the year was €40.5 million (2020: €34.3 million). Airport passenger numbers for the year were 380,000 (2020: 350,000) and Heritage sites welcomed over 495,000 visitors in the year (2020: 302,000).

Group EBITDA¹ for the year, before exceptional items, is €8.6 million (2020: €1.2 million). This result is considered satisfactory in the context of the Covid-19 pandemic, which had a devastating impact on the Group's business during 2020 and 2021.

During 2020 the Group incurred exceptional charges of €27.9 million in respect of a non-cash impairment of Airport assets and a group-wide voluntary severance scheme, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements. No such exceptional charges were incurred in 2021.

The Group has cash reserves to meet its operating and recurring short-term capital expenditure needs, with net cash deposits of €62.2 million at the year end date (2020: €29.2 million). During 2020 the Group drew down further external funding of €1.3 million to partially fund the Group's capital expenditure programme. No additional funding was drawn down in 2021. Total external bank loans were €29.6 million at the year end date (2020: €30.8 million) (Note 23).

Investment in capital expenditure projects is seen as key to ensuring the future sustainability of the Group. As reflected in the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement the Group had cash outflows of €15.9 million for capital projects across the Group in the year (2020: €17.2 million). In addition, the Group realised proceeds of €20.5 million on capital disposals in the year (2020: €12.2 million).

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The principal areas of risk and uncertainty which could materially and adversely affect the Group's future operating profits or financial position, along with the strategies to mitigate these, are outlined in the Risk and Governance report on page 25.

DIRECTORS AND SECRETARY AND THEIR INTERESTS

The names of the persons who were directors during the year are set out on page 32. The directors and secretary who held office at 31 December 2021 had no interest in the shares of Shannon Group plc or its subsidiary companies either at the start of the year or their date of appointment, if later, nor at the end of the year.

¹Group EBITDA is calculated as follows (before exceptional items 2020) - €'000

	2021	2020
Operating profit/(loss) before other income/(expenses)	1,017	(6,209)
Depreciation and amortisation of intangible assets	7,745	7,462
Amortisation of capital grants	(506)	(348)
Other operating income (Shannon Heritage government grants)	315	283
EBITDA	8,571	1,188



ACCOUNTING RECORDS

The directors believe that they have complied with the requirements of Sections 281 to 285 of the Companies Act 2014 with regard to maintaining adequate accounting records by employing accounting personnel with appropriate expertise and by providing adequate resources to the financial function. The accounting records of the Company are maintained at Shannon Airport, Shannon, Co. Clare.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

The Group does not undertake research and development activities.

GOING CONCERN

In assessing the going concern position of the Group the directors have considered the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, which has had a significant adverse affect on the Group's revenues and related cash flows. The directors have reviewed the Group's projections, prepared in the context of the Group's recovery from the COVID-19 crisis, with particular reference to the Group's liquidity, operating cash flows, expected passenger volumes, government supports and existing bank facilities.

While there remains some uncertainty around air traffic volumes in the future, the directors believe that sufficient financial resources are available to enable the Group to meet its obligations as they fall due, covering a period of not less than 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements. For this reason, the directors continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing these financial statements.

ADDITIONAL COMPLIANCE OBLIGATIONS

The Group complies with the Corporate Governance and other obligations imposed by the Ethics in Public Office Act 1995 and the Standards in Public Office Act 2001. The Group meets its obligations under other legislation including, but not limited to, the Disability Act 2005, the Regulation of Lobbying Act 2015 and the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005.

The Group has implemented a Protected Disclosures Policy in accordance with the requirements of the Protected Disclosures Act 2014. The mechanism whereby the Group's employees can raise concerns which cannot be appropriately addressed through normal channels or make disclosures in the public interest in accordance with the Protected Disclosures Act 2014 is outlined within the Protected Disclosures Policy. All disclosures by employees may be raised to the employee's line manager or Human Resources in accordance with the procedures set out in the policy.



DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

ADDITIONAL COMPLIANCE OBLIGATIONS

(Continued)

The Group is also committed to protecting the rights and privacy of individuals in accordance with the Data Protection Acts 1988 to 2018 and all associated legislation.

HEALTH, SAFETY, SECURITY AND ENVIRONMENT

The well-being of the Group's employees is safeguarded through the strict adherence to health and safety standards. The Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005 imposes certain requirements on employers and all relevant companies within the Group to take the necessary action to ensure compliance with this Act.

Health, safety, security and environmental issues are of paramount importance within the Group. The Group's operations are subject to an increasingly stringent range of environmental and health and safety laws, regulations and standards. A breach of any such law or regulation could result in the imposition of material sanctions on the Group and could have a material adverse effect on the Group's business.

PROMPT PAYMENTS ACT

The Group's policy is to comply with the provisions of the Prompt Payment of Accounts Act 1997 as amended by the European Communities (Late Payments in Commercial Transactions) Regulations 2012. Standard terms of credit taken, unless otherwise specified in specific contractual arrangements, are 30 days. Appropriate internal financial controls are in place, including clearly defined roles and responsibilities and the regular review of payment practices. These procedures provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material non-compliance with the regulations.

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS

The Group and Company did not make any political donations or incur any political expenditure during the year.

RELEVANT AUDIT INFORMATION

The directors believe that they have taken all steps necessary to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and have established that the Group's statutory auditors are aware of that information. In so far as they are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Group's statutory auditors are unaware.

DIRECTORS' COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

The directors, in accordance with Section 225(2) of the Companies Act 2014, acknowledge that they are responsible for securing the Company's compliance with certain obligations specified in that section arising from the Companies Act 2014, and Tax laws ('relevant obligations'). The directors confirm that:

- a Shannon Group compliance policy statement has been drawn up setting out the policies with regard to such compliance;
- appropriate arrangements and structures that, in their opinion, are designed to secure material compliance with the Company's relevant obligations, have been put in place; and
- a review has been conducted of the arrangements and structures that have been put in place to secure the Company's compliance with its relevant obligations.

SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

There have been no significant events subsequent to the year-end affecting the Group.

AUDITOR

Pursuant to Section 383(2) of the Companies Act 2014, the auditor, KPMG, Chartered Accountants, will continue in office.

On behalf of the Board

Liam O'Shea
Director

Mary Considine
Director

24 March 2022



RISK AND GOVERNANCE REPORT

RISK MANAGEMENT

The Board acknowledges its responsibility for risk management, including determining the nature and extent of the significant risks the Group is willing to accept in pursuit of its strategic and operational objectives. To address this, the Board has established a risk management system that provides for ongoing identification, assessment, implementation of mitigating actions and controls, and the monitoring and reporting of significant risks within Shannon Group. The Board is committed to proactive management of risk and has processes in place designed to anticipate and address, to the extent possible, changes to the Group's business and risk environment. The risk management process ensures that the Group identifies critical risks to which it is exposed and ensures that appropriate risk mitigation measures are taken. The effectiveness of risk management is subject to review by the Audit and Risk Committee.

Management are responsible for the identification and evaluation of significant risks applicable to their areas of business together with the design and operation of suitable internal controls. Risk registers are utilised to ensure that risks are consistently identified, assessed, recorded and reported across all business functions. The process is overseen by the Audit and Risk Committee with regards to strategic, financial and compliance risks and overseen by the Health, Safety, Security and Environment Committee with regards to operational and compliance risks in the areas of health, safety, security and the environment.

The Group's risk management system is subject to ongoing review and improvement in order to remain effective in changing business environments. In keeping with a commitment for continuous improvement, the Group continually seeks to enhance processes across the organisation.

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

As part of the risk identification process, the principal areas of risk and uncertainty which could materially and adversely affect the Group's future operating profits or financial position have been identified. A summary of the principal risks and uncertainties along with the strategies being adopted to mitigate the risks are set out below. The risks and uncertainties are not listed in a particular order and the list is not intended to be an

exhaustive analysis of all the risks and uncertainties that may arise in the ordinary course of business. These risks and uncertainties are assessed on an ongoing basis and management report any significant changes in the business and external environment, which affect the significant risks and uncertainties identified, to the Audit and Risk Committee, the Health, Safety, Security and Environment Committee and the Board.

I. STRATEGIC/COMMERCIAL RISKS

Competition

The Group operates in a very competitive environment, particularly in the operation of an international airport.

Strategic Priority

Rebuild and Grow Connectivity.

Impact

Investment in additional infrastructural capacity, innovation and pricing policy on the part of our competitors could have an adverse effect on the Group's ability to recover market share and results.

Mitigation

- Group management are cognisant of the competition posed by other airports, regions and countries on the performance of Shannon Airport.
- Management keep the value proposition offered by the Group under review and offer attractive incentive schemes to airlines to restore and grow connectivity.
- Focus remains on the Airport's cost base, to ensure that it is efficient, effective and adaptable to the demands of the business.
- Government's commitment to balanced regional development as set out in the National Planning Framework, Shannon Group is working with its shareholder and various stakeholders to ensure the National Aviation Policy is aligned in this regard.



RISK AND GOVERNANCE REPORT (CONTINUED)

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES (Continued)

Business performance

The Group's revenue is sensitive to competitive, economic and geopolitical conditions in the markets and sectors in which it operates. A key factor affecting the Group's financial performance is the number of passengers and the number of aircraft movements at Shannon Airport and the Group's ability to maintain and grow its non-aeronautical income.

The Group is also exposed to cost increases arising from the nature of its operating cost base and exposed to additional costs in responding to regulatory changes.

Strategic Priority

Sustained Profitability

Optimise Property Portfolio

Safety and Regulation, Operational and Customer Service Excellence

Impact

Increased competition, reduced consumer demand and the impact of global economic/geopolitical events could negatively impact the overall level of revenue generated by the Group. In addition, cost inflation will lead to negative cash flow implications.

Mitigation

- The Group operates strong business and financial control systems (including capital appraisal) with regular reporting on financial performance, early signalling of material deviation from plan and accountability of business unit management to the Chief Executive Officer.
- The Group is focused on continuous improvement of processes to drive efficiency, improve flexibility and proactively manage its cost base.
- The Group is focused on taking pro-active management action and implementing sound commercial strategies to recover its passenger footfall through Shannon Airport which will yield increasing revenues, and to maintain and grow its non-passenger related revenues.
- The Group has processes in place to ensure it remains up to date with property market trends and is focused on maintaining and upgrading its properties through a programme of investment to meet customer expectations.

- The Group continuously reviews its customer product offerings to ensure they remain relevant, engaging and value for money.

Economic

A significant change in the post-Covid economic outlook leading to a sustained economic slowdown.

Strategic Priority

Sustained Profitability

Safety and Regulation, Operational and Customer Service Excellence

Impact

This could negatively impact the Group's business and financial performance.

Mitigation

- The Group operates strong business and financial control systems (including capital appraisal) with regular reporting on financial performance, early signalling of material deviation from plan and accountability of business unit management to the Chief Executive Officer.
- While a significant proportion of the Group's cost base is fixed, the Group is focused on continuous improvement in processes to drive efficiency, improve flexibility and proactively manage its cost base.
- The Group is working to diversify its revenue base.
- The Group takes immediate actions to mitigate the financial impact of material events on its business.

Investments and capacity

The management and operation of an airport and property portfolio are by their nature capital intensive.

Strategic Priority

Sustained Profitability

Optimise Property Portfolio

Impact

While recognising our obligation to stakeholders, there is a risk that investments made in respect of aeronautical and other regulated activities and upgrades and development of investment properties do not deliver the required rates of return or cash flows or may suffer impairment.

Mitigation

- The Group has determined its risk appetite for commercial investments and set financial tolerance levels accordingly.
- Decisions regarding investments in aeronautical and other regulated activities, upgrades of investment properties are based on evidence-based inputs and are subject to Board approval.
- A planned maintenance and rehabilitation programme is in place for key assets, including airfield pavement structure, commercial properties and other operationally critical assets.

Capital projects

The Group has plans to make further significant capital investment in line with its Strategic Plan.

Strategic Priority

Sustained Profitability

Optimise Property Portfolio.

Impact

There are risks associated with the delivery of significant capital projects including timing, cost (including construction price inflation), health and safety and failure to deliver desired objectives.

Mitigation

- Defined procedures are in place for capital investment programme management, project management and contract and supplier management.
- All capital projects are tightly controlled to ensure these are delivered within budget and in compliance with all relevant regulations e.g. health and safety regulations.

Reliance on core customers

The prospect of future air traffic movements at Shannon Airport are dependent, to a significant extent, on the future strategies and financial strengths of core airline customers.

Strategic Priority

Rebuild and Grow Connectivity.

Impact

The loss of one or more of these customers, a significant deterioration in commercial terms or changes in the strategic direction of such key customers such as restructuring of route networks, consolidation of the airline industry or a change in ownership or control of significant airline customers could have a material impact on the Group's financial performance.



Mitigation

- The Group has developed strong relationships with major customers by focusing on superior customer service and cost competitiveness.
- The Group is focused on keeping abreast of developments in the airline industry and on the competitiveness of its offering and appropriateness of facilities for the needs of its current and prospective customers.
- Diversification of the Group's product offering, targeting new customers and development of new revenue streams are key strategic objectives for the Group to limit the reliance on core customers.

II. FINANCIAL RISKS

Liquidity and treasury

The Group is exposed to certain financial and treasury related risks, including fluctuating interest rates, credit risks and liquidity risks. Further information on financial and treasury related risks can be found in Note 25.

Strategic Priority

Sustained Profitability

Optimise Property Portfolio

Impact

Significant fluctuations in interest rates or counterparties failing or defaulting in the performance of their obligations could have a negative financial impact on the Group.

Mitigation

- The Group operates strong business and financial control systems with regular operational cash flow and cash balance position reporting, early signalling of material deviation from plan and carries out reviews to ensure liquidity is maintained in the short to longer term.
- A prudent approach is adopted in managing liquidity including funding of significant investment requirements.

Funding

The Group has plans to make further significant capital investment that is of a strategic nature. The ability to continue to deliver this investment plan is contingent on funding from a number of sources, namely additional bank debt, disposal of non-core property, government support, recurring operating profits and cash resources held by the Group. There can be no certainty that each of these funding sources will be available to meet planned investment needs.



RISK AND GOVERNANCE REPORT (CONTINUED)

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES (Continued)

Funding (Continued)

Strategic Priority

Sustained Profitability
Optimise Property Portfolio

Impact

Failure to deliver the planned sources of funding would have a significant negative financial impact on the delivery of the Group's capital investment plans.

Mitigation

- The Group maintains effective relationships with financial institutions.
- The Group maintains a bank overdraft to fund its Airport working capital requirements and maintains minimum cash balances across the Group to ensure it can fund its operations and capital needs.
- The Group tracks and reports on key initiatives to generate funds e.g. disposal of property, debt raising plans and free cash flows.
- The Group operates strong business and financial control systems with regular operational cash flow and cash balance position reporting, early signalling of material deviation from plan and carries out reviews to ensure liquidity is maintained.
- The Group engages regularly with its funders in relation to its current funding obligations and any potential issues faced by the business on its repayment capacity and financial covenants.

III. OPERATIONAL RISKS

Business continuity

The Group's operations are subject to operational risks and other unforeseen events such as weather events, fire, flooding, mechanical systems failure, technical failures, terrorism, geopolitical events and infectious diseases. Disruption to operations could also arise due to internal or third party industrial action.

Strategic Priority

Sustained Profitability

Impact

Disruptions to operational and commercial activities could result in a significant financial and/or reputational

impact on the Group and give rise to potential legal liabilities for the Group.

Mitigation

- The Group seeks to eliminate the risk of discontinuity of services by having robust systems and business continuity plans. Where events result in significant disruption to services, the Group activates its business continuity plans in order to minimise the impact of the disruption.
- Insurance is also in place in relation to certain unforeseen events.
- Strong working relationships and protocol in place with various State bodies and agencies to deal with infectious diseases and public health threats to ensure appropriate safety protection measures are in place to meet the Group's business requirements.

Talent management risk

The Group is dependent upon the quality, ability and commitment of key management personnel in order to sustain, develop and grow the business in line with its key objectives.

Strategic Priority

Driving Business Success Through People.

Impact

Growth targets may be at risk through failing to attract, retain and manage key personnel with appropriate experience and skills.

Mitigation

- The Group has put in place robust recruitment processes and effective human resource management policies and procedures together with strategic workforce planning to ensure appropriate resources are in place to meet the Group's business requirements.

Operational standards

The Group is obliged to meet various operational and quality standards including, but not limited to, those standards set by the Irish Aviation Authority and European Aviation Safety Agency as part of its aerodrome licensing requirements.

Strategic Priority

Safety and Regulation, Operational and Customer Service Excellence.

Impact

Failure to meet any of these standards could result in sanctions, up to and including the withdrawal of the Airport's operating licence or financial penalties being imposed on the Group.

Mitigation

- The Group has systems in place to monitor compliance with externally established quality standards. These systems include the capture of data, continuous monitoring and appropriate escalation processes.

Sustainability

The Group complies with the requirements of Ireland's Climate Action Plan and is committed to conducting its business with minimal environmental impact.

Strategic Priority

Deliver Sustainability Strategy
Foster Innovation

Impact

A breach of these requirements could result in serious financial loss or reputational damage to the Group.

Mitigation

- The Group has invested in structures, processes and resources to meet and monitor compliance with environmental requirements and targets.
- Projects commenced to reduce the Group's carbon footprint.
- The Group actively engages with various bodies and agencies of the State and other stakeholders to address environmental issues associated with conducting business in the aviation and property sectors.

Information technology systems

Effective and secure information technology systems are critical for the efficient management of the business and to support operational activities.

Strategic Priority

Safety and Regulation, Operational and Customer Service Excellence
Sustained Profitability

Impact

A significant failure of the Group's information technology systems could result in significant disruption to operations, financial loss or reputational damage to the Group. The Group could also be negatively impacted by cyber-attacks, data breaches or similar incidents involving a significant disclosure, loss or theft of personal data.

Mitigation

- The Group operates a centralised information technology systems function with a group wide remit. The information technology function operates with a high level of resilience in systems and processes.
- Business continuity plans exist to manage the risk of any significant disruption from a failure of information technology systems.
- Appropriately qualified and trained professionals are employed by the Group to manage this function.
- A programme of continuous improvement and re-investment in information technology systems is in place.

Health, safety, security and environment

The Group's operations are subject to an increasingly stringent range of health, safety, security and environmental laws, regulations and standards.

Strategic Priority

Safety and Regulation, Operational and Customer Service Excellence
Deliver Sustainability Strategy

Impact

A breach of any such law or regulation could result in the imposition of material sanctions on the Group and have a material adverse effect on the Group's business.

Mitigation

- Staff training in the areas of health, safety, security and environment, as well as strong emphasis on monitoring compliance, form an integral part of the Group's mitigating strategies. These are designed to prevent a serious breach of statutory or other regulatory obligations.
- The Group continues to invest in safety and security installations, systems and resources to meet legal and regulatory requirements to achieve best industry standards across all its business units.





RISK AND GOVERNANCE REPORT (CONTINUED)

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES (Continued)

Health, safety, security and environment (Continued) Mitigation (Continued)

- The Group actively engages with various bodies of the State and other stakeholders to address health, safety, security and environmental issues of operating an international airport.

Governance and compliance

The Group is subject to a wide range of legislative and governance requirements, including, but not limited to, those set out in Irish company and European law.

Strategic Priority

Safety and Regulation, Operational and Customer Service Excellence

Impact

Any breach of these requirements could result in serious financial loss or reputational damage to the Group.

Mitigation

- The Group has structures and processes in place to monitor compliance with regulatory, legislative and governance requirements.
- The Group has a proactive, forward looking approach to monitoring changes in regulation and legislation and is actively involved with its shareholder, the Department of Transport on this matter.
- The Group also engages with other external organisations that provide advice and training on these matters to management.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

The Board is committed to maintaining high standards of Corporate Governance. Shannon Group plc and its subsidiaries have put in place appropriate processes and procedures to ensure compliance with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies (2016) (the “Code”) for the year ended 31 December 2021. The Code sets out the principles of Corporate Governance, which the boards of State bodies are required to observe. The Group has put in place a Code of Business Conduct for directors, senior management and employees of Shannon Group plc and subsidiary companies. The Group continuously reviews and updates its policies and procedures to ensure compliance with the Code and best practice in Corporate Governance.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The eight directors serving on the Board as of the date of approval of the financial statements are listed in the table below. Unless otherwise indicated below they served as directors for the entire year ended 31 December 2021.

Director

Mary Considine (Chief Executive Officer)
Tom Kelly
Ambrose Loughlin
Kevin McCarthy
Liam O’Shea
Mike Quinn
Stephen Rae
Linda Tynne

Company Secretary

Rachael Leahy

Pádraig Ó Céidigh was appointed as Chairperson of the Board on 20 October 2021 and resigned on 23 March 2022.

The Board is responsible for the proper management and long-term success of the Group. The Board is also responsible for establishing the Group’s culture, values and ethics. It takes all significant strategic decisions and retains full and effective control while allowing management sufficient flexibility to run the business efficiently and effectively within appropriate Board approved delegated authority. The Board has put in place a corporate governance structure which provides for appropriate oversight at Board level and delegation to management.

The Board has reserved a formal schedule of matters for its decision and approval. These matters include amongst other matters the adoption of strategic and business plans, the approval of the annual financial statements and annual budget, safety, borrowings, acquisitions, disposals, capital expenditure and property transactions (above certain thresholds) and material contracts. Other matters reserved for the Board include oversight of the system of risk management and internal control, the delegation of authority and the appointment of the Chief Executive Officer.

The Chairperson leads the Board in the determination of its strategy and in the achievement of its objectives and is responsible for organising the business of the Board, ensuring its effectiveness and setting its agenda.

The Chairperson is responsible for displaying high standards of integrity and probity and is responsible for setting expectations regarding culture, values and behaviours and the tone of discussions at Board level. The Chairperson facilitates the effective contribution of directors, ensures that directors receive accurate, timely and clear information and manages the effective communication with the Minister for Transport (the “Minister”).

The Board is provided with regular information, which includes key performance indicators for all aspects of the Group’s businesses. Regular reports and papers are circulated to the directors in a timely manner, in preparation for Board and Board committee meetings. These papers are supplemented by information specifically requested by the directors from time to time. Regular management financial reports and information are provided to all directors, which enable them to scrutinise the Group and management’s performance against agreed objectives.

The Board structure is prescribed by statute whereby the number of directors on the Board, and the manner in which such directors, including the Chairperson, are appointed (and removed) is set out in the Shannon Group Act. This legislation provides that:

- The Board of the Group shall consist of not more than ten directors.
- The Minister for Transport, may, with the consent of the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform following consultation with such trade union representatives as he or she believes appropriate, appoint two persons representing the employees of the Group and its subsidiaries, as directors of the Group.
- The directors of the Group (other than the Chief Executive Officer) shall be appointed by the Minister, with the consent of the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform.
- The Chief Executive Officer shall, for the duration of his or her appointment, be *ex officio* a director of the Group.

- Each director of the Group shall hold office on such terms (other than the payment of remuneration and allowances for expenses) as the Minister determines at the time of his or her appointment. The Minister, when appointing a director of the Group, shall fix such director’s period of office, which shall not exceed 5 years.
- A director of the Group (other than the Chief Executive Officer) shall not serve for more than a period of 10 years in total.

The Board is satisfied that its size and structure, as prescribed in legislation, is appropriate for the needs of the Group and achieves a balance of representation on the Board.

Directors have undergone a formal induction process and are provided with detailed briefing documents, governance, financial and operational information and have had an opportunity to be briefed by executives on the different aspects of the Group’s business. Organised familiarisation tours of the Group’s facilities including the Airport campus and the Group’s commercial properties are ordinarily provided, where possible (although such tours were curtailed in 2021 due to Covid-19). The ongoing development needs of directors are kept under review. The Board recognises the need to ensure that Board members are aware of their statutory and fiduciary responsibilities and that they are kept up to date and fully informed of industry, economic and Corporate Governance developments and changes in best practice. Training and development requirements are reviewed and agreed with the Chairperson.

Board members have access to the Company Secretary who is responsible for ensuring the Board procedures are followed and that applicable rules and regulations are adhered to.

The Board seeks to continually improve its performance and effectiveness and conducts an evaluation of its performance on a regular basis. During 2021, the Board undertook a self-assessment evaluation of its own performance and that of its committees.

The Board has formed the following committees:

- Audit and Risk Committee
- Remuneration Committee
- Health, Safety, Security and Environment Committee





RISK AND GOVERNANCE REPORT (CONTINUED)

INDEPENDENCE OF DIRECTORS

The directors and secretary who held office at 31 December 2021 had no interest in the shares of Shannon Group plc or its subsidiary companies either at the start of the year or their date of appointment, if later, nor at the end of the year.

Certain members of the Board, as outlined further below, hold directorships or executive positions in organisations which are under the control of the Irish Government. Mary Considine is a member of the Governing Authority of Mary Immaculate College. Linda Tynne is an employee of Shannon Airport. Ambrose Loughlin is a member of the Board of Directors of the National Museum of Ireland.

The Board is satisfied that its non-executive directors are independent of management, independent of character and judgement and free from relationships or circumstances which are likely to affect, or could appear to affect, the Board member's judgement. Each Board member brings independent judgement. Non-executive Board members are required to declare any interests or relationships which could interfere with the exercise of their independent judgement.

The Board has put procedures in place to deal with potential conflicts of interest. In accordance with the provisions of the Code and the Shannon Group Act, all directors must disclose any interests and absent themselves from Board discussions where they have a direct or indirect interest. In such circumstances Shannon Group and each of the directors at all times adheres to the highest standards of corporate governance and business conduct. Related party transactions requiring disclosure are included in Note 27 to the financial statements.

GENDER BALANCE IN THE BOARD MEMBERSHIP

The Annex on Gender Balance, Diversity, and Inclusion which supplements the Code sets out measures designed to enhance diversity on the Board, the requirement to provide an account of the approach being adopted in relation to the promotion of diversity and inclusion, including with regard to gender balance, in the specific context of the organisation, and on the progress and achievements in this regard.

As at 31 December 2021, the Board had two female (22%) and seven male members (78%), with one position vacant. The Board therefore does not meet the Government target of a minimum of 40% representation of each gender in the membership of State Boards. The Board of Shannon Group strives to maintain a balance of gender and diversity. The Board has requested that the Department of Transport, in drawing up the specification for all future Board appointments, should have due regard to diversity on the Board including gender to ensure an inclusive and diverse membership.

COMPANY SECRETARY AND ACCESS TO PROFESSIONAL ADVICE

The Company Secretary is appointed by the Board.

All directors have access to the advice and services of the Company Secretary, who is responsible to the Board for ensuring that Board procedures are complied with. The Group's professional advisors are available for consultation by the Board as required. Individual directors may take independent professional advice, in line with Group procedures, at the Group's expense.

MEETINGS

Regular meetings of the Board are held throughout the year. The Board met formally eight times during the year. In addition, scheduled committee meetings were held. The Board met one further time outside of the formal meetings.

Attendance at scheduled Board meetings is set out below:

Director	Board meetings attended	Maximum number of meetings
Pádraig Ó Céidigh (Chairperson)	2	2
Mary Considine (Chief Executive Officer)	8	8
Tom Kelly	8	8
Ambrose Loughlin	6	8
Kevin McCarthy	8	8
Liam O'Shea	8	8
Mike Quinn	8	8
Stephen Rae	8	8
Linda Tynne	8	8



BOARD COMMITTEES

The Board has an effective committee structure to assist in the discharge of its responsibilities.

Details of the work of the Audit and Risk Committee, the Remuneration Committee, and the Health, Safety, Security and Environment Committee, including their current membership, are set out below.

AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE

The Group is required under Section 167 of the Companies Act, 2014, to establish an Audit Committee. The Audit and Risk Committee has defined terms of reference under which authority is delegated to it by the Board. Tom Kelly serves as the Chairperson of the Audit and Risk Committee.

The Committee met four times during the year and attendance at the Committee meetings is set out in the table below:

Member	Committee meetings attended	Maximum number of meetings
Tom Kelly	4	4
Liam O'Shea	4	4
Ambrose Loughlin	4	4

The regular attendees at the Audit and Risk Committee meetings included the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Operations Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, the outsourced Internal Auditor - Deloitte, senior management from the Group finance department and KPMG, the independent statutory auditor.

The main areas of responsibility of the Committee are as follows:

- reviewing the annual financial statements and submitting a recommendation to the Board, focusing particularly on changes in accounting policies and practices, major judgemental areas, significant adjusted or unadjusted audit differences, the going concern assumption, compliance with accounting standards, ensuring compliance with legal requirements and consistency of other information presented alongside the financial statements;
- considering and recommending the appointment, re-appointment and removal of the statutory auditor and the audit fee;
- developing and implementing a policy on the engagement or the award of contracts to the statutory auditor or affiliate for non-audit work,

taking into account relevant best practice and ethical guidelines;

- monitoring and reviewing at least annually the performance, qualifications, expertise, resources and independence of the statutory auditor and assessing the effectiveness of the external audit process;
- reviewing the effectiveness of the Group's internal financial controls, internal controls and risk management systems;
- assisting the Board in fulfilling its responsibilities in ensuring the appropriateness and completeness of the system of internal control, reviewing the manner and framework in which management ensures and monitors the adequacy of the nature, extent and effectiveness of internal control systems, including accounting control systems and thereby maintaining an effective system of internal control;
- reviewing and making a recommendation on the Group's Statement on internal control and risk management systems prior to endorsement by the Board;
- overseeing and advising the Board on the current risk exposures of the Group and future risk strategy;
- reviewing the effectiveness of the Internal Audit function on an annual basis;
- monitoring and reviewing the effectiveness of the Internal Audit programme, ensuring co-ordination between the internal and statutory auditors and ensuring that the Internal Audit function is adequately resourced, and that adequate attention is paid to value for money auditing; and
- reviewing the policy by which staff may, in confidence, raise concerns about possible business, financial or other improprieties and ensure that arrangements are in place to investigate such matters.

The Committee reviewed the annual financial statements before recommending their approval to the Board. The Committee considered, and discussed with the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Operations Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, senior management from the finance department and the statutory auditors, the appropriateness of the significant accounting policies, estimates and judgements applied in preparing these financial statements, together with presentational and disclosure matters.



RISK AND GOVERNANCE REPORT (CONTINUED)

AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE (Continued)

The Committee has an established risk management framework and considered the processes for identifying, reporting and managing both existing and emerging risks. The Committee received periodic management reports on the risk management framework applied, including management actions to address, mitigate and manage risks on a continuing basis. This complemented regular Board receipt of management reports on emerging risks and significant changes in the business and external environment which affect the risk registers.

The Committee reviewed, on behalf of the Board, the effectiveness of the Group's system of risk management and internal control. Monitoring covered all controls, including financial, operational and compliance controls and risk management processes.

The Committee reviewed a risk-based internal audit annual plan, including the resources required, and considered the alignment of internal audit focus with the areas of greatest risk facing the Group. During the year, the Committee considered reports from the Internal Auditor summarising the work planned and undertaken, recommending improvements and describing actions taken by management. The Committee was appraised by the Internal Auditor of the findings of internal audit reviews. The Committee also considered management's progress in addressing the relevant issues, including the nature, extent and speed of response.

The Committee reviewed the remuneration and terms of engagement of KPMG, the independent statutory auditor. The Committee reviewed the external audit plan and the findings of KPMG from its audit of the annual financial statements. The Committee took appropriate steps to ensure that an objective and professional relationship was maintained with KPMG.

The Committee considered KPMG's independence and objectivity. This included considering a) the nature and extent of the services provided, and fees earned, for external audit and non-audit work carried out by KPMG and b) ensuring the provision of non-audit services to the Group do not present a conflict of interest.

Fees paid to KPMG for audit services, audit related services and other non-audit services are set out in Note 5 of the financial statements. There were no instances

where KPMG was engaged to provide services which were adjudged to give rise to a conflict of interest.

The Committee also monitored KPMG's compliance with relevant regulatory, ethical and professional guidance on the rotation of partners, as well as assessing annually its qualifications, expertise, resources and the effectiveness of the audit process.

The Chairperson of the Committee reports periodically to the Board on significant issues considered by the Committee which are then considered by the Board.

REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

The Remuneration Committee has defined terms of reference under which authority is delegated to it by the Board. In the absence of a Chairperson of the Board, it was agreed by the Committee that Liam O'Shea would act as chairperson of the Committee pending the appointment of a new Chairperson of the Board and the subsequent appointment of a new Committee chairperson.

The Committee met two times during the year and attendance at the Committee meetings is set out in the table below:

Member	Committee meetings attended	Maximum number of meetings
Tom Kelly	2	2
Liam O'Shea	2	2
Stephen Rae	2	2

The main responsibilities of the Remuneration Committee is to determine the remuneration of the Chief Executive Officer, the pay structures of senior management, to approve voluntary severance schemes and restructuring programmes and to review the on-going appropriateness and relevance of the Group's remuneration policies and pension schemes and any major structural changes to such policies or schemes.

Details of directors' fees and emoluments including those of the Chief Executive Officer are set out in Note 6 to the financial statements, in accordance with the requirements of the Code. Remuneration of key management is summarised in Note 27 (b) to the financial statements.

HEALTH, SAFETY, SECURITY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Health, Safety, Security and Environment Committee has defined terms of reference under which authority is delegated to it by the Board.

Mary Considine was appointed by the Board to the Committee pending the appointment of a new Chairperson to the Board and subsequently a new Committee chairperson and member.

The Committee met four times during the year and attendance at the Committee meetings is set out in the table below:

Member	Committee meetings attended	Maximum number of meetings
Kevin McCarthy	4	4
Stephen Rae	4	4
Mary Considine	4	4

The main responsibilities of the Committee during the year were the management of health, safety and environmental matters in all Group companies and the management of aerodrome safety and security matters at Shannon Airport.

The Committee reports to the Board on any significant compliance or other relevant issues, receives incident reports, reviews reports on airside safety, security, health, safety and environmental issues, monitors the processes in place for training and reviews related communications with the Group. It monitors and reviews the risk registers covering its remit.

INTERNAL CONTROL AND RISK MANAGEMENT

The Board is responsible for the Group's system of internal control and for monitoring its effectiveness. The system is designed to manage, rather than eliminate, the risk of failure to achieve business objectives and provides only reasonable assurance, but not absolute assurance, against material misstatement or loss.

The Board has established an organisational structure with clear operating and reporting procedures, secured the services of appropriately qualified personnel, designed suitable lines of responsibility, put in place appropriate authorisation limits, made arrangements in respect of segregation of duties and delegated the necessary authority for decision making.

The Board has put in place an on-going process for identifying, evaluating and managing the significant risks faced by the Group. Management is responsible for the identification and evaluation of significant business risks and for the design and operation of suitable internal controls. The Board has appointed a Chief Risk Officer. The Audit and Risk Committee, the Health, Safety, Security and Environment Committee and the Board receive regular reports from the Chief Risk Officer and management on key risks and how they are managed.

The system of internal controls includes the following:

- Clearly defined organisational structure, with defined authority limits and reporting mechanisms to higher levels of management and to the Board;
- Comprehensive budgeting systems including an annual budget which is subject to approval by the Board. Re-forecasts are performed during the year to track expected results against Budget and presented to the Board;
- Comprehensive system of financial reporting including the reporting of cumulative monthly actual results against budget and latest re-forecasts, if applicable. These results are presented to the Board for consideration at each Board meeting. The Board questions significant changes or adverse variances and remedial action is taken where appropriate;
- Comprehensive set of policies and procedures relating to operational and financial controls, including capital expenditure;
- Risk management process which enables identification and assessment of risks that could impact the achievement of agreed business objectives and ensures that appropriate mitigating measures and controls are put in place. This process is led by the Chief Risk Officer with regular reports to the Audit and Risk and Health, Safety, Security and Environment committees of the Board;
- Code of ethics that requires senior management and employees to maintain the highest ethical standards in conducting business;
- Responsibility by management for internal control over their respective business functions; and
- The internal audit function conducts a systematic review of internal financial controls. A risk based internal audit programme is developed to determine reviews to be performed.





RISK AND GOVERNANCE REPORT (CONTINUED)

INTERNAL CONTROL AND RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

The Group maintains risk registers which have been reviewed by the Board and reviewed in detail by the Audit and Risk Committee and the Health, Safety, Security and Environment Committee, as appropriate. The risk registers identify, evaluate and address the mitigation of key risks facing the Group, covering strategic, operational, compliance, reporting, financial, safety and security risks.

The Chief Executive Officer and Chief Risk Officer report to the Board on significant changes in the business and its external environment and the impact of these changes on the Group's risk profile.

The Board has reviewed the effectiveness of the systems of internal control up to the date of the approval of the financial statements. A detailed review was performed by the Audit and Risk Committee, which reported its findings back to the Board. The key areas of financial, operational and compliance controls and risk management were reviewed. The process used to review the effectiveness of the system of internal control includes:

- Review and consideration of the programme of Internal Audit and consideration of its reports and findings;
- Review of the status of matters raised previously by Internal Audit;
- Review of the risk management activity including the risk registers; and
- Review of reports from the statutory auditors which contain details of any material internal financial control issues identified by them in their work as auditors.

The Chairperson of the Board reports to the Minister for Transport on compliance with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies in respect of the financial period under review.

The Board is satisfied that the Group's system of internal controls is suitably designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the safeguarding of assets against unauthorised use or disposition and the maintenance of proper accounting and reliable financial information.

² Employee benefits comprise all regular earnings, salary, overtime, shift-related, performance-based earnings and other benefits such as medical insurance, but exclude employer pension contributions

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

The following disclosures are provided for the year ended 31 December 2021, as required by the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies (2016) and agreed with the Department of Transport.

Travel and subsistence costs charged to the profit and loss account for the year amounted to €0.05 million (national) (2020: €0.06 million) and €0.02 million (international) (2020: €0.02 million). Hospitality and staff wellbeing costs charged to the profit and loss account amounted to €0.10 million (2020: €0.03 million) (employee) and €0.01 million (2020: €0.01 million) (customer).

Professional services costs incurred and charged to the profit and loss account in 2021 amounted to €0.22 million (2020: €0.31 million), comprising legal costs of €0.04 million, tax and financial advisory costs of €0.06 million and other consultancy costs of €0.12 million. Payments totalling €0.09m (2020: €0.11 million) were made in settlement of legal matters in 2021, of which €0.06 million (2020: €0.03 million) related to legal fees.

Termination payments arising under approved restructuring programmes in 2020 are set out in Note 3 to the financial statements. There were no such termination payments charged to the profit and loss account in 2021. Amounts relating to staff costs charged to the profit and loss account are set out in Note 6 to the financial statements.

Details of employee benefits for the Group's activities are displayed below ².

	Number of employees in band
€	2021
50,000 - 74,999	100
75,000 - 99,999	33
100,000 - 124,999	6
Over 125,000	7

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

The directors confirm that the Company has complied in all material respects with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies (2016) for the year ended 31 December 2021.

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE ANNUAL REPORT AND THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The directors are responsible for preparing the directors' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law they have elected to prepare the Group and Company financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the EU and applicable law.

Under company law the directors must not approve the Group and Company financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the Group and Parent Company and of the Group's profit or loss for that year. In preparing the Group and Parent Company financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- assess the Group and Parent Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern; and
- use the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Group or Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Parent Company and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements of the Group and Parent Company are prepared in accordance with applicable IFRS, as adopted by the EU and comply with the provisions of the Companies Act 2014. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the

assets of the Group and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities. The directors are also responsible for preparing a directors' report that complies with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014.

The directors are also responsible for ensuring that the Corporate Governance disclosures included in the Directors' report and Risk and governance report reflect the Group's compliance with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies (2016).

The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the Company's website. Legislation in the Republic of Ireland governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

On behalf of the Board

Liam O'Shea
Director

Mary Considine
Director

24 March 2022



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SHANNON GROUP PLC

REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

OPINION

We have audited the financial statements of Shannon Group plc ("the Company") and its consolidated undertakings ("the Group") for the year ended 31 December 2021 set out on pages 40 to 96, which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss, the Consolidated Statement of Other Comprehensive Income, the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position, the Company Statement of Financial Position, the Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity, the Company Statement of Changes in Equity, the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement, the Company Cash Flow Statement and related notes, including the summary of significant accounting policies set out in note 1. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is Irish Law and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union.

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the Group and Company as at 31 December 2021 and of the Group's profit for the year then ended;
- the Group financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the European Union;
- the Company financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the European Union, as applied in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2014; and
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014.

BASIS FOR OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (Ireland) (ISAs (Ireland)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance

with ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of financial statements in Ireland, including the Ethical Standard issued by the Irish Auditing and Accounting Supervisory Authority (IAASA), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

CONCLUSIONS RELATING TO GOING CONCERN

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

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

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

OTHER INFORMATION

The directors are responsible for the other information presented in the Annual Report together with the financial statements. The other information comprises the information included in the directors' report and the risk and governance report. The financial statements and our auditor's report thereon do not comprise part of the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or, except as explicitly stated below, any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether, based on our financial statements audit work, the information therein is materially misstated or inconsistent with the financial statements or our audit knowledge. Based solely on that work we have not identified material misstatements in the other information.

Based solely on our work on the other information, we report that:

- we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report;
- in our opinion, the information given in the directors' report is consistent with the financial statements;
- in our opinion, the directors' report has been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2014.

OPINIONS ON OTHER MATTERS PRESCRIBED BY THE COMPANIES ACT 2014

We have obtained all the information and explanations which we consider necessary for the purposes of our audit.

In our opinion the accounting records of the Group were sufficient to permit the financial statements to be readily and properly audited and the financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records.

MATTERS ON WHICH WE ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT BY EXCEPTION

The Companies Act 2014 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion, the disclosures of directors' remuneration and transactions required by Sections 305 to 312 of the Act are not made. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Under the 2016 Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies ("the Code") we are required to report to you if the statement regarding the system of internal control required under the Code, as included in the directors' report does not reflect the Group's compliance with paragraph 1.9 (iv) of the Code or if it is not consistent with the information of which we are aware from our audit work on the financial statements and we report if it does not. We have nothing to report in this regard.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES AND RESTRICTIONS ON USE

RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement set out on page 37, the directors are responsible for: the preparation of the financial statements including being satisfied that they give a true and fair view; such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; assessing the Group and Company's ability to

continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern; and using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Group and Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (Ireland) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A fuller description of our responsibilities is provided on IAASA's website at

<http://www.iaasa.ie/Publications/Auditing-standards/International-Standards-on-Auditing-for-use-in-Ire/Description-of-the-auditor-s-responsibilities-for>.

THE PURPOSE OF OUR AUDIT WORK AND TO WHOM WE OWE OUR RESPONSIBILITIES

Our report is made solely to the Company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 391 of the Companies Act 2014. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Eamon Dillon
for and on behalf of
KPMG, Chartered Accountants, Statutory Audit Firm

1 Stokes Place, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin 2

25 March 2022





CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Total 2021 €'000	Total pre exceptional items 2020 €'000	Exceptional items (Note 3) 2020 €'000	Total 2020 €'000
Revenue	2	40,475	34,338	-	34,338
Cost of sales		(4,751)	(3,537)	-	(3,537)
Gross profit		35,724	30,801	-	30,801
Administrative expenses		(34,707)	(37,010)	(3,436)	(40,446)
		(1,017)	(6,209)	(3,436)	(9,645)
Other income	4	26,878	8,114	-	8,114
Other expense	4	-	(469)	(24,484)	(24,953)
Operating profit /(loss)	5	27,895	1,436	(27,920)	(26,484)
Finance income	7	39	41	-	41
Finance expense	7	(1,393)	(1,269)	-	(1,269)
Profit/(loss) before tax		26,541	208	(27,920)	(27,712)
Income tax expense	8	(568)	(483)	-	(483)
Profit/(loss) for the year		25,973	(275)	(27,920)	(28,195)

All operations are continuing.

The notes on pages 48 to 96 form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.



CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Total 2021 €'000	Total 2020 €'000
Profit/(loss) for the year		25,973	(28,195)
Other comprehensive income			
<i>Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss</i>			
Remeasurement gains/(losses) on defined benefit pension liability	24	72	(254)
Related deferred tax (charge)/credit	13	(9)	32
Other comprehensive income, net of tax		63	(222)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) attributable to equity holder		26,036	(28,417)

The notes on pages 48 to 96 form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.



CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Assets			
Intangible assets	9	483	729
Property, plant and equipment	10	59,284	54,232
Right of use assets	26	1,775	1,691
Investment properties	11	116,471	127,795
Finance lease receivable	12	259	271
Deferred tax assets	13	92	100
Non-current assets		178,364	184,818
Finance lease receivable	12	32	32
Inventories	14	1,904	2,022
Current tax assets		-	1,862
Trade and other receivables	15	8,715	15,871
Cash and cash equivalents	18	62,161	31,520
Current assets		72,812	51,307
Total assets		251,176	236,125
Equity			
Share capital	19	38	38
Capital contribution reserve	19	112,275	112,275
Retained earnings		58,196	32,160
Total equity		170,509	144,473
Liabilities			
Loans and borrowings	23	29,279	30,512
Deferred income	21	12,458	2,429
Provisions	22	1,751	2,170
Deferred tax liability	13	46	1,747
Employee benefits	24	738	800
Non-current liabilities		44,272	37,658
Bank overdraft	18	-	2,328
Trade and other payables	20	29,566	47,334
Loans and borrowings	23	2,175	2,109
Deferred income	21	1,431	348
Provisions	22	1,880	1,875
Current tax liabilities		1,343	-
Current liabilities		36,395	53,994
Total liabilities		80,667	91,652
Total equity and liabilities		251,176	236,125

The notes on pages 48 to 96 form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

On behalf of the Board

Liam O'Shea
Director

Mary Considine
Director

24 March 2022



COMPANY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Assets			
Financial assets	16	78,618	78,618
Intangible assets	9	109	117
Property, plant and equipment	10	26	39
Non-current assets		78,753	78,774
Current tax assets		7	6
Trade and other receivables	15	748	704
Cash and cash equivalents	18	1,074	332
Current assets		1,829	1,042
Total assets		80,582	79,816
Equity			
Share capital	19	38	38
Capital contribution reserve	19	112,275	112,275
Retained earnings		(33,478)	(34,150)
Total equity		78,835	78,163
Liabilities			
Trade and other payables	20	1,367	1,453
Provisions	22	380	200
Total current liabilities		1,747	1,653
Total equity and liabilities		80,582	79,816

The notes on pages 48 to 96 form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

On behalf of the Board

Liam O'Shea
Director

Mary Considine
Director

24 March 2022



CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Share capital €'000	Capital contribution reserve €'000	Retained earnings €'000	Total €'000
At 1 January 2020	38	112,275	60,577	172,890
Loss	-	-	(28,195)	(28,195)
Other comprehensive income	-	-	(222)	(222)
<i>Total comprehensive income</i>	-	-	(28,417)	(28,417)
At 31 December 2020	38	112,275	32,160	144,473
At 1 January 2021	38	112,275	32,160	144,473
Profit	-	-	25,973	25,973
Other comprehensive income	-	-	63	63
<i>Total comprehensive income</i>	-	-	26,036	26,036
At 31 December 2021	38	112,275	58,196	170,509

All amounts are attributable to the equity holder/owner of the Company.

The notes on pages 48 to 96 form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.



COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Share capital €'000	Capital contribution reserve €'000	Retained earnings €'000	Total €'000
At 1 January 2020	38	112,275	103	112,416
Loss	-	-	(34,253)	(34,253)
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-
<i>Total comprehensive income</i>	-	-	(34,253)	(34,253)
At 31 December 2020	38	112,275	32,160	144,473
At 1 January 2021	38	112,275	(34,150)	78,163
Profit	-	-	672	672
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-
<i>Total comprehensive income</i>	-	-	672	672
At 31 December 2021	38	112,275	(33,478)	78,835

All amounts are attributable to the equity holder/owner of the Company.

The notes on pages 48 to 96 form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.



CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Cash flow from operating activities			
Profit/(loss) for the year		25,973	(28,195)
Adjustments for:			
Amortisation of capital grants		(506)	(348)
Amortisation of intangible assets		236	295
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment		7,197	6,831
Depreciation of right of use assets		312	336
Change in fair value of investment properties		(9,927)	469
Gain on disposal of investment properties		(10,439)	(7,823)
Loss/(gain) on disposal/write-off of property, plant and equipment		479	(8)
Gain on lease modification		(9)	-
Impairment of property, plant and equipment		-	24,484
Finance income		(39)	(41)
Finance expense		1,393	1,269
Tax charge		568	483
		15,238	(2,248)
<i>Changes in:</i>			
- Trade and other receivables		(796)	1,499
- Inventories		118	336
- Trade and other payables		4,609	2,768
- Provisions		(414)	(779)
- Employee benefits		-	(43)
- Finance lease receivable		12	11
Cash generated from operating activities		18,767	1,544
Interest received and similar income		-	-
Interest paid		(811)	(1,028)
Taxation refund received/(paid) (net)		935	(1,073)
Net cash from operating activities		18,891	(557)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchases of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets		(13,329)	(5,617)
Purchases of investment properties		(2,578)	(11,575)
Capital grants received		11,618	304
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		3	49
Proceeds from sale of investment properties		20,451	12,124
Non-refundable capital deposits received		-	2,000
Proceeds from disposal of other investments	17	-	9,248
Net cash used in investing activities		16,165	6,533
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from loans and borrowings		-	1,268
Repayment of loans and borrowings		(1,811)	(1,766)
Payment of lease liabilities		(276)	(299)
Net cash from financing activities		(2,087)	(797)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		32,969	5,179
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		29,192	24,013
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year (net of bank overdraft)	18	62,161	29,192



COMPANY CASH FLOW STATEMENT

for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Cash flow from operating activities			
Profit/(loss) for the year		672	(34,253)
<i>Adjustments for:</i>			
Amortisation of intangible assets		8	4
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment		13	14
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment		-	2
Impairment of financial assets		-	33,657
		693	(576)
<i>Changes in:</i>			
- Trade and other receivables		(44)	128
- Trade and other payables		(86)	161
- Provisions		180	-
Cash generated from operating activities		743	(287)
Taxation (paid)/refunded		(1)	1
Net cash from operating activities		742	(286)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchases of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets		-	(129)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		-	38
Net cash used in investing activities		-	(91)
Cash flows from financing activities		-	-
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		742	(377)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		332	709
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	18	1,074	332



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

forming part of the financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Reporting entity

Shannon Group plc (the “Company”) is a company domiciled in Ireland. The consolidated financial statements of the Company comprise the Company and its subsidiaries (together referred to as the “Group” and individually as “Group entities”).

Following the enactment of the State Airports (Shannon Group) Act 2014 (“Shannon Group Act”), Shannon Group plc was incorporated on 29 August 2014. The entire issued share capital of the Company is beneficially held by the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform.

On 5 September 2014, ownership of all shares held directly by the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, in both Shannon Airport Authority plc and Shannon Commercial Enterprises Limited (formerly Shannon Free Airport Development Company Limited) transferred to Shannon Group plc (“Shannon Group”). The Shannon Group Act provided that no consideration was payable by Shannon Group in respect of the shares vested in Shannon Group.

The Group and Company financial statements were approved for issuance on 24 March 2022.

The following details the accounting policies which are applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the Group and Company financial statements and are consistently applied by all Group entities.

1.2 Basis of preparation

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

The individual financial statements of the Company (“Company financial statements”) have been prepared in accordance with EU IFRS as applied in accordance with the Companies Acts 2014, which permits a company that publishes its Company and Group financial statements together to take advantage of the exemption in Section 304 of the Companies Act 2014 from presenting to its members its Company Statement of Profit or Loss and

related notes that form part of the approved Company financial statements.

The Group and Company financial statements, which are presented in Euro, the functional currency of the Company and each of its subsidiaries, have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except for the following material items in the Statement of Financial Position:

- investment property is measured at fair value; and
- the defined benefit plan liability is recognised as fair value of plan assets less the present value of the defined benefit plan obligations.

The methods used to measure fair values are discussed further within the relevant notes.

1.3 Going Concern

In assessing the going concern position of the Group the directors have considered the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, which has had a significant adverse affect on the Group’s revenues and related cash flows. The directors have reviewed the Group’s projections, prepared in the context of the Group’s recovery from the COVID-19 crisis, with particular reference to the Group’s liquidity, operating cash flows, expected passenger volumes, government supports and existing bank facilities.

While there remains some uncertainty around air traffic volumes in the future, the directors believe that sufficient financial resources are available to enable the Group to meet its obligations as they fall due, covering a period of not less than 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements. For this reason, the directors continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing these financial statements.

1.4 Consolidation

The Group financial statements consolidate the financial statements of Shannon Group and all of its subsidiaries as detailed in Note 16. Therefore, these financial statements are the consolidated results of Shannon Group plc, Shannon Airport Authority DAC (“Shannon Airport”) and Shannon Commercial Enterprises DAC (which trades as “Shannon Commercial Properties”), together with the results of Shannon Commercial Enterprises DAC’s subsidiary company, Shannon Heritage DAC (“Shannon

Heritage”), and Shannon Airport Authority DAC’s subsidiary companies, SAA Pension Corporate Trustee DAC and SAA Airport Authority Financial Services DAC, for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The results of subsidiary undertakings acquired or disposed of in the year are included in the consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss from the date of acquisition or up to the date of disposal. Control exists when the Company has exposure or rights to variable return and the ability to affect these returns through its power over an investee.

Intra-group balances and income and expenses arising from intra-Group transactions are eliminated in preparing the consolidated financial statements.

1.5 Revenue

The Group operates a number of revenue streams and accordingly applies methods for revenue recognition, based on the principles set out in IFRS 15.

The standard outlines the principles entities must apply to measure and recognise revenue with the core principle being that entities should recognise revenue at an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for fulfilling its performance obligations to a customer.

The principles in IFRS 15 must be applied using the following five step model:

1. Identify the contract(s) with a customer.
2. Identify the performance obligations in the contract.
3. Determine the transaction price.
4. Allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract.
5. Recognise revenue when or as the entity satisfies its performance obligations.

The revenue and profits recognised in any period are based on the delivery of performance obligations and an assessment of when control is transferred to the customer. Revenue is recognised either when the performance obligation in the contract has been performed, ‘point in time’ recognition, or ‘over time’ as control of the performance obligation is transferred to the customer.

The following revenue recognition criteria apply to the Group’s main income streams.

Aeronautical and related revenue

Aeronautical revenue is recognised net of rebates, on delivery of service to the customer and comprises:

- passenger charges which are recognised on their departure;
- runway movement charges (landing and take-off) levied according to aircraft’s maximum take-off weight, and related short-term aircraft parking charges based on combination of time parked and area of use, both recognised on departure;
- long term aircraft parking charges based on combination of time parked and area of use, recognised when services are rendered;
- other charges which are recognised when services are rendered.

Retail revenue

- Retail revenue from the Group’s Airport and Tourism businesses is recognised, when control of goods transfers to the customer.

Tourism revenue

- Admission and banqueting revenue is recognised at a point in time on the provision of service to the customer.
- Membership income is recognised over the period to which it relates.
- Management fee from operation of tourism attractions is recognised over the period to which it relates.

The Group manages and operates a number of tourist attractions for which a management fee is receivable from the ultimate owner of the attraction. As the Group has determined that it does not have overall control over the provision of the services to the customer it has concluded that it acts in the capacity of an agent rather than as the principal in respect of these arrangements and the management fee is recorded as revenue over the period to which it relates.

Amounts collected on behalf of the principal (e.g. admission fees) are paid to the principal and are not recorded as revenue. Costs incurred in respect of operating these attractions are fully reimbursable, including the costs of certain employees employed by the Group.

Commercial property revenue

- Rental income from investment properties is recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The contracts entered into are long-term lease arrangements.





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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

1.5 Revenue (Continued)

Airport concession fee and rental revenue.

- Concession fee income from commercial concessionaires is recognised based on the transaction price which the entity expects to be entitled to based on the transfer of services to the customer and related revenue and is recognised over the period that these services are provided.
- Rental income from property on the Airport campus is accounted for on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Other commercial activities revenue

Revenue from other commercial activities includes:

- Throughput fee for fuel delivery, recognised on delivery of fuel to the aircraft; and
- Car park income, which is recognised as the service is deemed to be provided to the customer.

Other income

Other income is recognised in accordance with the general provisions above, that is when the service is delivered to the customer (i.e. performance obligation satisfied).

Revenue is disaggregated at the income stream level. All revenue from the Group's income streams is generated in Ireland.

At contract inception the total transaction price is estimated, being the amount to which the Group expects to be entitled and has rights to under the present contract. This includes an assessment of any variable consideration where the Group's performance may result in additional revenues based on the achievement of certain performance measures.

In determining the amount of revenue and profits to record, and related balance sheet items (such as trade receivables, accrued revenue and deferred income) to recognise in the period, management are required to form a number of judgements and assumptions.

The Group's customer contracts include a diverse range of payment schedules dependent on the nature and type of services being provided. The Group agrees payment schedules at the beginning of contracts under which it

receives payments throughout the term of the contracts. These payment schedules may include performance-based payments or progress payments as well as regular monthly or quarterly payments for ongoing service delivery. Payments for transactional goods and services may be at delivery date, in arrears or part payment in advance.

Where payments made are greater than the revenue recognised at the period end date, the Group recognises a deferred income liability for this difference. Where a product or service has been delivered but payments have not yet been recorded the Group recognises an accrued revenue asset for this difference.

Other than where outlined in the above policies all performance obligations are satisfied within the financial year and there are no judgements or assumptions required to estimate transaction price or allocate revenue to performance obligations.

1.6 Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated to Euro, being the Company's and each subsidiary's functional currency, at the foreign exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are then retranslated at the exchange rate ruling at the reporting date. Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies that are stated at fair value are retranslated to the functional currency at foreign exchange rates ruling at the dates the fair value was determined. Non monetary assets are not retranslated.

Foreign exchange differences arising on translation are recognised in the Statement of Profit or Loss.

1.7 Business combinations

The acquisition basis of accounting is employed in accounting for the acquisition of subsidiaries by the Group. This method is used at the acquisition date, which is the date on which control is transferred to the Group.

Shannon Group plc acquired the entire issued share capital of Shannon Airport Authority and Shannon Commercial Properties, by way of a capital contribution, with effect from 5 September 2014. This was accounted

for as a common control transaction, with net assets being accounted for at net book value. Therefore, no goodwill arose on the acquisition for consolidation purposes. As the shares in both entities, acquired by Shannon Group, were transferred at nil consideration, the share transfer was treated as a capital contribution.

1.8 Exceptional items

The Group has adopted a Statement of Profit or Loss format which seeks to highlight significant items within the Group's results for the year. The Group believes this presentation is a more meaningful and helpful analysis as it highlights non-trading items. Such items may include significant restructuring or acquisition costs, significant profit or loss on disposals of assets or operations, together with items that are, by their nature, non-trading. Judgement is used by the Group in assessing the particular items which by virtue of their size or incidence, should be disclosed in the Statement of Profit or Loss and related notes as exceptional items.

1.9 Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses.

Where parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items of property, plant and equipment.

Construction work in progress is stated at cost and relates to capital expenditure on construction projects that have not been completed at the year end. Assets in the course of construction are transferred to completed assets when substantially all of the activities necessary to get the asset ready for use are complete. Depreciation is not applied to assets under construction. The cost of industrial land and buildings and construction work in progress includes an apportionment of staff costs directly associated with the acquisition or development of the assets.

A gain or loss on disposals of property, plant and equipment, calculated as the difference between the net proceeds from disposal and the carrying amount of the item, is recognised in operating profit on completion of sale. Where a gains or loss is deemed significant this is disclosed as an Exceptional item in accordance with 1.8.

Subsequent expenditure is capitalised only if it is probable that the future economic benefits associated with the expenditure will flow to the Group.

Depreciation is charged to the Statement of Profit or Loss on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of each part of an item of property, plant and equipment.

Land is not depreciated. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Terminal complexes, airfields and other airport property	10 – 50 years
Industrial and tourist buildings and infrastructure	5– 33.3 years
Building modifications	20 years
Plant, fixtures and fittings	2 – 20 years
Motor vehicles	4 – 5 years
IT equipment	3 – 5 years

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each reporting date. Provision is also made for any impairment of items of property, plant and equipment in accordance with 1.11.

The Group earns rental income from a number of Airport assets held as property, plant and equipment. These assets are required for the operation of the Airport and the generation of aeronautical and other income streams. The Group does not have the ability to sell such assets due to their proximity to the airfield and runway areas and as these assets do not generate cashflows independently of the other assets held by the Group they do not meet the requirements to be classified as Investment Properties in accordance with IAS 40.

1.10 Intangible assets

Intangible assets that are acquired by the Group are stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and less any impairment losses.

Amortisation is charged to the Statement of Profit or Loss on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the intangible assets unless such lives are indefinite. Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are systematically tested for impairment at each year end date. Other intangible assets are amortised from the date they are available for use. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Computer software	3 – 6 years
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1.11 Impairment of non-financial assets

The carrying amounts of the Group's non-financial assets, other than inventories (carried at lower of cost and net realisable value), investment property (measured at fair value) and deferred tax assets (recognised based on recoverability), are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, an impairment test is carried out and the asset is written down to its recoverable amount as appropriate.





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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

1.11 Impairment of non-financial assets (Continued)

The recoverable amount of an asset or cash-generating unit ("CGU") is the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs to sell. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. For the purpose of impairment testing, assets that cannot be tested individually are grouped together into the smallest group of assets that generates cash inflows from continuing use that are largely independent of the cash inflows of other assets or groups of assets (the "cash-generating unit").

An impairment loss is recognised if the carrying amount of an asset or its cash generating unit exceeds its estimated recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss.

Impairment losses recognised in prior periods are assessed at each reporting date for any indications that the loss has decreased or no longer exists. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

1.12 Investment properties

Investment properties are properties held either to earn rental income or for capital appreciation or for both, and are not occupied by the Group.

Rental income from investment property is accounted for as described in the revenue accounting policy.

Investment properties are measured at fair value. The fair value is the price that would be received if the property were sold in an orderly transaction between market participants based on the asset's highest and best use. Any gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value are recognised in profit or loss in the period that they arise. On disposal of an investment property, the carrying amount is deemed to be the fair value at the date of the previous published Statement of Financial Position.

Management value the portfolio every year. The valuation of investment properties requires a high degree of management judgement. The valuations, which are supported by market evidence, are determined by benchmarking against comparable transactions for similar properties in the same locations as those of the Group or on the use of valuation techniques including the use of market yield on comparable properties. Information on the basis on which such valuations are undertaken in the year is set out in Note 11.

1.13 Leases

At inception of a contract, the Group assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

(i) As a lessee

At commencement or on modification of a contract that contains a lease component, the Group allocates the consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of its relative stand-alone prices.

The Group recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, plus any initial direct costs incurred and an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove the underlying asset or to restore the underlying asset or the site on which it is located, less any lease incentives received.

Depreciation is charged on the right-of-use asset using a straight-line method from the commencement date to the end of the lease term. Depreciation is charged over the useful life of the underlying asset using the same basis as property and equipment. This basis is applied when the lease transfers ownership of the underlying asset to the Group by the end of the lease term or if the cost of the right-of-use asset reflects that the Group will exercise a purchase option. In addition, the right-of-use asset is periodically reduced by impairment losses, if any, and adjusted for certain remeasurements of the lease liability.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the Group's incremental borrowing rate. The Group uses its incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate.

The Group determines its incremental borrowing rate by obtaining interest rates from readily available sources of finance and makes certain adjustments to reflect the terms of the lease and type of the asset leased.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise the following:

- fixed payments, including in-substance fixed payments; and
- lease payments in an optional renewal period if the Group is reasonably certain to exercise an extension option, and penalties for early termination of a lease unless the Group is reasonably certain not to terminate early.

The lease liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. It is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate or if the Group changes its assessment of whether it will exercise a purchase, extension or termination option.

When the lease liability is remeasured in this way, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset, or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero.

The Group presents right of use assets as a separate line item and accounts for lease liabilities under 'Loans and borrowings' in the Statement of Financial Position.

Short term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Group has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for short-term leases and leases of low-value assets, including IT equipment. The Group recognises the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

(ii) As a lessor

At inception or on modification of a contract that contains a lease component, the Group allocates the consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of their relative stand-alone prices.



When the Group acts as a lessor, it determines at lease inception whether each lease is a finance lease or an operating lease. To classify each lease, the Group makes an overall assessment of whether the lease transfers substantially all of the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of the underlying asset. If this is the case, then the lease is a finance lease; if not, then it is an operating lease. As part of this assessment, the Group considers certain indicators such as whether the lease is for the major part of the economic life of the asset.

If an arrangement contains lease and non-lease components, then the Group applies IFRS 15 *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* to allocate the consideration in the contract.

The Group applies the derecognition and impairment requirements in IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments* to the net investment in the lease.

The Group recognises lease payments received under operating leases as income on a straight-line basis over the lease term as part of 'Commercial property revenue'.

(iii) Finance lease receivables

Leases in which the Group transfers substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the leased asset are classified as finance lease receivables. Leased assets sold by way of finance lease are stated at an amount equal to the lower of their fair value and the present value of the minimum lease payments at inception of the lease, less accumulated impairment losses.

Minimum lease payments are apportioned between finance income and the reduction of the outstanding liability. The finance income is allocated to each period during the lease term so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the receivable.

1.14 Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Cost is based on invoice price on an average basis. Net realisable value comprises the actual or estimated selling price (net of trade but before settlement discounts), less all further costs to be incurred in marketing and selling.

Provision is made for obsolete, slow moving or defective items, where appropriate.

Maintenance stock relates solely to inventory which will be expensed when consumed. It comprises spare parts which are used for maintenance purposes and office supplies.



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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

1.15 Provisions

A provision is defined as a liability of uncertain timing or amount. Provisions are recognised when the Group has a legal or constructive present obligation as a result of a past event, that can be reliably measured and it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the obligation at the reporting date. If the effect is material, provisions are measured by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and, where appropriate, the risks specific to the liability.

Provisions are recognised for onerous contracts whereby the unavoidable costs of meeting the obligations under the arrangement exceed the economic benefits expected to be received under it. The unavoidable costs under a contract reflect the minimum net cost of exiting from the contract, i.e. the lower of the cost of fulfilling it and any compensation or penalties arising from failure to fulfil it.

1.16 Taxation

Tax on the profit or loss for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the Statement of Profit or Loss except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in equity or other comprehensive income, in which case it is recognised directly in equity or other comprehensive income.

Current tax

Current tax is the expected tax payable or receivable on the taxable income or loss for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date, and any adjustment to tax payable or receivable in respect of previous years.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes.

The following temporary differences are not provided for: the initial recognition of goodwill if any; the initial recognition of assets or liabilities that affect neither accounting nor taxable profit other than in a business combination, and differences relating to investments in subsidiaries, associates and joint arrangements to the extent that they will probably not reverse in the foreseeable future.

The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realisation or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date. For investment property that is measured at fair value deferred tax is provided at the rate applicable to the sale of the property. Deferred tax is measured on an undiscounted basis. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset only if certain criteria are met.

A deferred tax asset is recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the temporary difference can be utilised. Unrecognised deferred tax assets are reassessed at each reporting date and recognised to the extent to which it has become probable that taxable profits will be available against which they can be used.

Shannon Commercial Enterprises DAC is liable for Capital Gains Tax in accordance with Section 36, State Airports (Shannon Group) Act 2014.

1.17 Employee benefits

Short term employee benefits

Short term employee benefits are recognised as an expense as the related employee service is rendered.

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 the amount expected to be paid under short-term cash bonus or profit-sharing plans if the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation to pay this amount as a result of past service provided by the employee and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

Termination benefits

Termination benefits are recognised as an expense when the Group is demonstrably committed, without realistic possibility of withdrawal, to a formal detailed plan to either terminate employment before the normal retirement date, or to provide termination benefits as a result of an offer made to encourage voluntary redundancy. Termination benefits for voluntary redundancies are recognised as an expense if the Group has made an offer of voluntary redundancy, it is probable that the offer will be accepted, and the number of acceptances can be estimated reliably. If benefits are payable more than 12 months after the reporting date, where the effect is material, then they are discounted to their present value.

Retirement benefit obligations

Group companies operate or participate in a number of pension schemes, as outlined below.

Defined contribution schemes

The Group operates a number of defined contribution pension schemes. A defined contribution scheme is a post-employment benefit plan under which the Group pays fixed contributions into a separate entity and has no legal or constructive obligation to pay further amounts. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the Group in independently administered funds. Obligations for contributions to defined contribution pension plans are recognised as an expense in the Statement of Profit or Loss in the periods during which services are rendered by employees.

Shannon Commercial Properties operated an unfunded defined benefit pension scheme up to the date of transfer to Shannon Group. In accordance with the Shannon Group Act, all liabilities, duties, obligations and funding (including pension increases and supplementary pension payments) arising by virtue of the operation of the scheme was transferred to the Minister for Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation. Therefore Shannon Group and Shannon Commercial Properties have accounted for the scheme as a defined contribution pension scheme.

The Group pays employer and employee contributions to the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment for its employees who are members of this defined benefit scheme. The amount charged to the Statement of Profit or Loss represents the employer contributions payable to this scheme in respect of the accounting period.

Defined benefit plans

A defined benefit plan is a post-employment benefit plan other than a defined contribution plan.

Certain of the Group's employees are members of a separately administered defined benefit scheme ("The Aer Rianta Supplemental Superannuation Scheme"). daa plc ("daa") is the main sponsoring employer of the scheme. The scheme is now closed to new members.

The Group's net obligation in respect of defined benefit pension plans is calculated by estimating 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, and the fair value of any plan assets (at the price within the bid-ask spread most representative of fair value) are deducted. The Group determines the net interest on the net defined benefit liability for the period by applying the discount rate used to measure the defined benefit obligation at the beginning of the annual period to the net defined benefit liability.

The discount rate is the yield at the reporting date on bonds that have a credit rating of at least AA that have maturity dates approximating the terms of the Group's obligations and that are denominated in the currency in which the benefits are expected to be paid.

Remeasurements arising from defined benefit plans comprise actuarial gains and losses, the return on plan assets (excluding interest) and the effect of the asset ceiling (if any, excluding interest). The Group recognises them immediately in other comprehensive income and all other expenses related to defined benefit plans in employee benefit expenses in profit or loss.

When the benefits of a plan are changed, or when a plan is curtailed, the portion of the changed benefit related to past service by employees, or the gain or loss on curtailment, is recognised immediately in profit or loss when the plan amendment or curtailment occurs.

The calculation of the defined benefit obligations is performed by a qualified actuary using the projected unit credit method. When the calculation results in a benefit to the Group, the recognised asset is limited to the present value of benefits available in the form of any future refunds from the plan or reductions in future contributions and takes into account the adverse effect of any minimum funding requirements.





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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

1.18 Financial Instruments

Financial assets and liabilities

The Group's financial assets include trade and other receivables, finance lease receivables, cash and cash equivalents and other investments.

The Group's financial liabilities include trade and other payables and secured bank loans.

Recognition and initial measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially recognised when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Trade receivables are initially recognised when they are originated.

A financial asset (unless it is a trade receivable without a significant financing component) or financial liability is initially measured at fair value plus, for an item not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs that are directly attributable to its acquisition or issue. A trade receivable without a significant financing component is initially measured at the transaction price.

Financial assets

Classification and subsequent measurement

On initial recognition, a financial asset is classified as measured at: amortised cost or fair value through profit or loss.

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition unless the Group changes its business model for managing financial assets, in which case all affected financial assets are reclassified on the first day of the first reporting period following the change in the business model.

A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at fair value through profit or loss:

- it is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and
- its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

All financial assets not classified as measured at amortised cost as described above are measured at fair value through profit or loss.

Financial assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The amortised cost is reduced by impairment losses. Any gain or loss on settlement is recognised in profit or loss.

Impairment losses recorded against financial assets measured at amortised cost are calculated based using an expected credit loss model.

At each reporting date the Group evaluates the recoverability of trade receivables and records allowances for doubtful receivables based on experience. The Group uses an allowance matrix to measure the expected credit loss of trade receivables from individual customers. Loss rates are calculated using a 'roll rate' method based on the probability of a receivable progressing through successive stages of non-recoverability to write off. Loss rates are based on historic data of credit loss experience. It also takes into consideration the Group's view of economic conditions over the expected lives of the receivables.

The Group considers that its cash and cash equivalents have low credit risk based on the external credit ratings of the counterparties.

Derecognition

The Group derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows in a transaction in which substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred or in which the Group neither transfers nor retains substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership and it does not retain control of the financial asset.

The Group enters into transactions whereby it transfers assets recognised in its statement of financial position, but retains either all or substantially all of the risks and rewards of the transferred assets. In these cases, the transferred assets are not derecognised.

Financial liabilities

Classification and subsequent measurement

Financial liabilities are classified as measured at amortised cost or fair value through profit or loss. A financial liability is classified as at fair value through profit or loss if it is classified as held for trading, it is a derivative or it is designated as such on initial recognition. Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value and net gains and losses, including any interest expense, are recognised in profit or loss. Other financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Interest expense and foreign exchange gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss. Any gain or loss on derecognition is also recognised in profit or loss.

Derecognition

The Group derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged or cancelled, or expire. The Group also derecognises a financial liability when its terms are modified and the cash flows of the modified liability are substantially different, in which case a new financial liability based on the modified terms is recognised at fair value. On derecognition of a financial liability, the difference between the carrying amount extinguished and the consideration paid (including any non cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed) is recognised in profit or loss.

1.19 Capital contribution

Assets received from the Group's shareholder by way of a gift, are treated as a capital contribution and included in shareholders' funds on the Group and Company Statements of Financial Position.

1.20 Assets held for sale and discontinued operations

Non-current assets, or disposal groups comprising assets and liabilities, are classified as held for sale if it is highly probable that they will be recovered primarily through sale rather than through continuing use.

A discontinued operation is a component of the Group's business, the operations and cash flows of which can be clearly distinguished from the rest of the Group and which:

- represents a separate major line of business or geographic area of operations;
- is part of a single co-ordinated plan to dispose of a separate major line of business or geographic area of operations; or
- is a subsidiary acquired exclusively with a view to resale.



Classification as a discontinued operation occurs at the earlier of disposal or when the operation meets the criteria to be classified as held-for-sale.

When an operation is classified as a discontinued operation, the comparative statement of profit or loss and OCI is re-presented as if the operation had been discontinued from the start of the comparative year.

1.21 Deferred income

Deferred income comprises capital grants and non-refundable customer deposits.

Capital grants

Capital grants are initially recognised as deferred income at fair value if there is reasonable assurance that they will be received and the group will comply with the conditions associated with the grant. EU and other grants received in respect of the purchase of property, plant and equipment are treated as deferred income, and are amortised to the Statement of Profit or Loss over the useful economic life of the asset to which they relate.

Non-refundable customer deposits

Customer deposits represent non-refundable payments received from customers in advance of control of the related goods, services or capital assets being transferred. These are initially recognised as deferred income and recorded as revenue on disposal or on ultimate transfer of control to the customer.

1.22 Revenue Grants

Revenue grants that compensate the Group for expenses incurred are recognised in profit or loss on a systematic basis in the periods in which the expenses are recognised.

1.23 Investment in subsidiaries (Company only)

The investment in subsidiaries was initially established on their transfer to the Company and continues to be carried at that amount less any provision for impairment if required.

1.24 New Standards and Interpretations

Standards in issue but not effective

A number of new International Financial Reporting Standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are effective for annual periods beginning after 1 January 2022, and have not been applied in preparing these financial statements. The most significant of these which may impact the Group are outlined below. The Group does not plan to adopt these standards early; instead it will apply them from their effective dates as determined by their dates of EU endorsement.



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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

1.24 New Standards and Interpretations (continued)

Standards in issue but not effective (continued)

Standard	IASB effective date (periods beginning)	EU companies effective date (periods beginning)
IFRS 14 Regulatory Deferral Accounts (issued on 30 January 2014)	1 January 2016 (early adoption permitted)	Not endorsed, expected to wait for the final standard.
Onerous Contracts – Cost of Fulfilling a Contract (Amendments to IAS 37) (issued on 14 May 2020)	1 January 2022	1 January 2022
Property, Plant and Equipment: Proceeds before Intended Use (Amendments to IAS 16) (issued on 14 May 2020)	1 January 2022	1 January 2022
Reference to the Conceptual Framework (Amendments to IFRS 3) (issued on 14 May 2020)	1 January 2022	1 January 2022
Amendments to IAS 8: Disclosure of Accounting Policies (issued on 12 February 2021)	1 January 2023	Not yet endorsed
Amendments to IAS 1: Definition of Accounting Policies (issued on 12 February 2021)	1 January 2023	Not yet endorsed
Amendments to IAS 1: Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current (issued on 23 January 2020)	1 January 2023	Not yet endorsed
Amendments to IAS 12: Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction (issued on 7 May 2021)	1 January 2023	Not yet endorsed

New standards adopted in the current year

The following new standards and amendments were adopted by the Group for the first time in the current financial reporting period.

Standard	IASB effective date (periods beginning)	EU companies effective date (periods beginning)
Interest Rate Benchmark Reform (Amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39, IFRS 7, IFRS 4 and IFRS 16) (issued on 27 August 2020)	1 January 2021	1 January 2021

For all changes to standards above the Group has changed its accounting policies accordingly, which did not have a material impact on the financial results or financial position of the Group.

1.25 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with EU IFRS requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of the Group's accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates. Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources.

The areas involving a high degree of judgement, complexity or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the Group financial statements relate primarily to:

- The determination of recoverable amount of assets in assessing whether indicators of impairment exist requires a high degree of management judgement, see further detail in Note 10;
- The classification of assets which are held to deliver essential services for the airport as property, plant and equipment (e.g. Hangars), see further detail in Note 10; and
- The valuation of investment properties requires a high degree of management judgement, see further detail in Note 11; and
- The determination that the planned disposal of the Group's subsidiary company, Shannon Heritage DAC, does not meet the criteria to be classified as held-for-sale.



2. REVENUE

All revenue of the group arises in the Republic of Ireland and from continuing activities. No one customer accounts for more than 10% of the Group's revenue. In the following table, revenue is disaggregated by major product/service lines and by timing of revenue recognition.

	2021 €'000	2010 €'000
Major product/service lines		
Aeronautical and related revenue	7,339	5,877
Retail revenue	5,643	3,660
Tourism revenue	4,217	2,538
Commercial property revenue	13,622	13,300
Airport concession and rental revenue	6,033	5,639
Other commercial revenue	3,621	3,324
Total revenue	40,475	34,338
Timing of revenue recognition		
Performance obligation performed:		
- At a point in time	22,627	16,723
- Over time	17,848	17,615
Total revenue	40,475	34,338

Contract assets and contract liabilities

The following table provides information about receivables, contract assets and contract liabilities from contracts with customers.

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Trade receivables (Note 15)	5,118	3,724
Contract assets	64	29
Contract liabilities	(2,339)	(1,766)

Trade receivables comprise invoiced amounts as outlined in Note 15.

Contract assets at the balance sheet date comprise rights to consideration for performance obligations satisfied but not billed. Contract liabilities relate to partially satisfied performance obligations or advance consideration at the year end date.

Deferred income as outlined in Note 21 relates to Government capital grants which are amortised over the useful life of the assets to which they relate, from the date the assets are brought into use.

Operational grant income received is recorded as Other income (Note 4).

No information has been provided in relation to unsatisfied performance obligations at the year end date that have an expected duration of less than one year, as permitted by IFRS 15.



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3. EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS

In accordance with the Group's accounting policy, the following items were presented as exceptional items on continuing operations in 2020. No exceptional items were recorded in 2021.

	2020 €'000
Provision for voluntary severance scheme (i)	3,436
Impairment loss on tangible fixed assets (ii)	24,484
Exceptional charge	27,920

(i) Provision for voluntary severance scheme

A voluntary severance scheme was launched during 2020. An exceptional charge of €3,436,000 was recorded during the year in respect of costs arising under this scheme (Note 22).

(ii) Impairment loss on tangible fixed assets

Management have considered the carrying value of property, plant and equipment at 31 December 2020 by reference to the estimated value in use of assets within the Airport CGU. An impairment test was performed on a value in use basis, resulting in an impairment loss of €24,484,000 (Note 10).

4. OTHER INCOME/(EXPENSE)

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Net increase in fair value of investment property (Note 11)	9,927	-
Gain on disposal of investment properties (Note 11)	10,439	7,823
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment (Note 10)	3	8
Gain on lease modification	9	-
Government grants received (i)	6,500	283
Total other income	26,878	8,114
Net decrease in fair value of investment property (Note 11)	-	(469)
	-	(469)
Exceptional cost		
Impairment of property, plant and equipment (Note 10)	-	(24,484)
Total other expense	-	(24,953)
	26,878	(16,839)



- (i) The Group's subsidiary company, Shannon Airport, received operational grant funding in respect of 2021 totalling €6,185,000 from the Department of Transport.

The Group's subsidiary company, Shannon Heritage, received operational grant funding totalling €315,000 during 2021. This included funding received under the Covid Restrictions Support Scheme operated by the Revenue Commissioners ("CRSS"). The company received operational grant funding totalling €283,000 during 2020. This included funding received from the Department of Transport, Fáilte Ireland and under CRSS.

Operational grant funding is recorded as Other Income in accordance with the Group's accounting policy.

5. STATUTORY AND OTHER INFORMATION

The Group's operating profit is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Depreciation	7,197	6,831
Depreciation of right of use assets	312	336
Amortisation of intangible assets	236	295
Amortisation of capital grants	(506)	(348)

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Auditor's remuneration		
- audit of Group financial statements	92	68
- audit of Company financial statements	-	-
- other audit services	23	12
- tax advisory services fees	-	-
- other non-audit services	-	57
	115	137

The audit fee of the Company is borne by subsidiary companies.



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6. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT EXPENSE

Group staff numbers and costs

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
- Wages and salaries	15,263	16,882
- Overtime	461	164
- Allowances	807	802
- Wage subsidies received (i)	(5,070)	(3,679)
Total wages and salaries	11,461	14,169
Social welfare costs	1,755	1,569
Social welfare credit received (i)	(1,116)	(431)
Termination benefits (Note 3)	-	3,436
Post-employment benefits (Note 24):		
Defined contribution pension expense	1,150	1,254
Other compensation costs	401	571
	13,651	20,568

(i) Amounts represent subsidies received under the Employers Wage Subsidy Scheme (“EWSS”) and Temporary Wage Subsidy Scheme (“TWSS”) provided by the Government due to the impact of Covid-19.

The average number of group employees (full time equivalents) during the year was as follows:

	2021	2020
Operations and administration	270	266
Commercial	21	16
Property	27	24
	318	306

Included in the above average numbers are 8 (2020: 6) full-time equivalents, who are employed by a subsidiary company, whose cost is fully reimbursed to the Group.

Directors remuneration

	2021 €	2020 €
Directors’ remuneration for the year:		
Fees for services as director	92,426	96,455
Other emoluments (including pension contribution)	333,425	283,568
	425,851	380,023



Included in other emoluments is the remuneration of the Chief Executive Officer and the directors who were nominated by the Irish Congress of Trade Unions to represent employees on the Board and who were appointed by the Minister for Transport arising from their normal contracts of employment.

Amounts paid to directors disclosed in accordance with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies (2016) and Section 305 of the Companies Act 2014, are provided below.

The following directors served on the board during the year ended 31 December 2021.

	2021 €	2020 €
Fees for the year		
Pádraig Ó Céidigh	4,226	-
Mary Considine	-	-
Rose Hynes	-	12,132
Ambrose Loughlin	12,600	11,340
Tom Kelly	12,600	11,340
Kevin McCarthy	12,600	11,340
Kathryn O’Leary Higgins	-	7,077
Liam O’Shea	12,600	11,340
Mike Quinn	12,600	9,206
Stephen Rae	12,600	11,340
Linda Tynne	12,600	11,340
	92,426	96,455
For services as director during the year		
Other emoluments		
Salary (including benefit-in-kind)	281,194	239,646
Pension contributions		
- Defined contribution scheme	52,231	43,922
- Defined benefit scheme	-	-
	333,425	283,568
Total directors’ remuneration for the year	425,851	380,023

Where a director is appointed or resigned during the year or prior year the fees above represent the fees paid from/to the date of appointment/resignation.

Pádraig Ó Céidigh was appointed as director on 20 October 2021 and resigned on 23 March 2022.

Mike Quinn was appointed as director on 2 March 2020. The periods of office of Rose Hynes and Kathryn O’Leary Higgins expired with effect from 28 August 2020.

All other directors served for the full years ended 31 December 2020 and 2021.

During 2021 no payments were made to the members of the Board for out of pocket travel and other similar expenditures in respect of services as director. During 2020, in aggregate, the members of the Board were reimbursed for out of pocket travel and other similar expenditures in respect of services as director, disclosed in accordance with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies (2016), totalling €1,140.



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6. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT EXPENSE (Continued)

Directors' expenses above do not include expenses of the Chief Executive Officer, which are separately disclosed below.

The remuneration of the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO"), disclosed in accordance with the applicable government department guidelines relating to the remuneration arrangements of Chief Executives of Commercial State Bodies and Section 305 of the Companies Act 2014, is provided below.

	2021 €	2020 €
Emoluments:		
- Basic salary	190,000	161,500
- Other taxable benefits	24,419	22,361
Total emoluments	214,419	183,861
Pension contributions	47,500	40,375
	261,919	224,236

The remuneration above represents the total remuneration of the CEO, Mary Considine, for the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020. Pursuant to her contract the salary of Ms. Considine is €190,000 per annum.

Total business expenses amounted to €5,588 (2020: €5,372), which are not included in the amounts disclosed above. No performance related pay was paid to the Chief Executive Officer in respect of the years ended 31 December 2021 or 2020.

7. FINANCE INCOME/(EXPENSE)

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Finance lease income receivable (Note 12)	39	41
Finance income	39	41
	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Interest expense on loans and overdrafts	(1,352)	(1,252)
Interest expense on lease liabilities (Note 26)	(31)	(8)
Net interest expense on defined pension scheme (Note 24)	(10)	(9)
Finance expense	(1,393)	(1,269)



8. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Current tax:		
Current tax on profits/(losses) for the year	2,277	-
Adjustments in respect of prior period	(7)	(209)
Total current tax	2,270	(209)
Deferred tax (Note 13):		
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	(1,702)	692
Total deferred tax	(1,702)	692
Income tax expense	568	483

Reconciliation of effective tax rate

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Profit/(loss) before tax	26,541	(27,712)
Profit/(loss) before tax multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax in Republic of Ireland of 12.5%	3,318	(3,464)
Tax effect of:		
(Income)/expenses not allowable for tax purposes	(523)	949
Income taxed at a higher rate	1,447	1,030
Chargeable (losses)/gains	(3,225)	554
(Gains)/losses in profit or loss which are not taxable or impact on	(442)	1,623
Adjustment in respect of prior periods	(7)	(209)
Tax expense	568	483

Under Section 229A (4) of the Taxes Consolidation Act 1997, for the purposes of the Capital Gains Tax Acts where a gain accrues to that company from the disposal of an asset after 31 December 2013, such portion of the gain as represents the same proportion of the gain as the length of the qualifying period bears to the length of the period of ownership, shall not be a chargeable gain. The qualifying period refers to the period beginning on date of the acquisition of the asset, or if the asset was held on 6 April 1974, that date, and ending on 31 December 2013.



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9. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Group			
	Computer software €'000	Work in Progress €'000	Total €'000
Computer software			
Cost			
At 1 January 2020	2,344	10	2,354
Additions	55	85	140
Transfers	10	(10)	-
At 31 December 2020	2,409	85	2,494
At 1 January 2021	2,409	85	2,494
Additions	-	-	-
Asset write off	(10)	-	(10)
Transfers	85	(85)	-
At 31 December 2021	2,484	-	2,484
Accumulated Amortisation			
At 1 January 2020	1,470	-	1,470
Charge for year	295	-	295
At 31 December 2020	1,765	-	1,765
At 1 January 2021	1,765	-	1,765
Charge for year	236	-	236
At 31 December 2021	2,001	-	2,001
Net book value			
At 31 December 2021	483	-	483
At 31 December 2020	644	85	729
At 31 December 2019	874	10	884

All intangible assets arise from purchased computer software.



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Computer software

Cost

At 1 January 2020

Additions

Transfers

At 31 December 2020

At 1 January 2021

Additions

Transfers

At 31 December 2021

Accumulated Amortisation

At 1 January 2020

Charge for year

At 31 December 2020

At 1 January 2021

Charge for year

At 31 December 2021

Net book value

At 31 December 2021

At 31 December 2020

At 31 December 2019

	Computer software €'000	Work in Progress €'000	Total €'000
At 1 January 2020	-	10	10
Additions	26	85	111
Transfers	10	(10)	-
At 31 December 2020	36	85	121
At 1 January 2021	36	85	121
Additions	-	-	-
Transfers	85	(85)	-
At 31 December 2021	121	-	121
At 1 January 2020	-	-	-
Charge for year	4	-	4
At 31 December 2020	4	-	4
At 1 January 2021	4	-	4
Charge for year	8	-	8
At 31 December 2021	12	-	12
Net book value			
At 31 December 2021	109	-	109
At 31 December 2020	32	85	117
At 31 December 2019	-	10	10

All intangible assets arise from purchased computer software.



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10. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Group	Terminal Complexes	Lands and Airfields	Tourism Buildings	Other Property and General Infrastructure	Plant, Fixtures and Fittings	Work in Progress	Total
Cost	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000
At 1 January 2020	18,251	32,120	25,329	8,032	23,027	25,719	132,478
Additions	-	-	-	-	33	4,615	4,648
Disposals	-	-	-	-	(258)	-	(258)
Transfers	121	(139)	2	18,870	1,734	(20,588)	-
At 31 December 2020	18,372	31,981	25,331	26,902	24,536	9,746	136,868
At 1 January 2021	18,372	31,981	25,331	26,902	24,536	9,746	136,868
Additions	-	-	-	-	105	12,616	12,721
Disposals	-	-	-	-	(2,171)	-	(2,171)
Asset write off	-	-	(1)	-	-	(471)	(472)
Transfers	-	69	(187)	73	16,493	(16,448)	-
At 31 December 2021	18,372	32,050	25,143	26,975	38,963	5,443	146,946
Accumulated Depreciation and Impairment Losses							
At 1 January 2020	6,052	8,564	20,403	3,369	13,150	-	51,538
Charge for year	1,206	1,914	715	811	2,185	-	6,831
Impairment loss	4,282	8,283	-	8,491	3,428	-	24,484
Disposals	-	-	-	-	(217)	-	(217)
At 31 December 2020	11,540	18,761	21,118	12,671	18,546	-	82,636
At 1 January 2021	11,540	18,761	21,118	12,671	18,546	-	82,636
Charge for year	1,169	1,903	660	801	2,664	-	7,197
Disposals	-	-	-	-	(2,171)	-	(2,171)
At 31 December 2021	12,709	20,664	21,778	13,472	19,039	-	87,662
Net book value							
At 31 December 2021	5,663	11,386	3,365	13,503	19,924	5,443	59,284
At 31 December 2020	6,832	13,220	4,213	14,231	5,990	9,746	54,232
At 31 December 2019	12,199	23,556	4,926	4,663	9,877	25,719	80,940

Management have considered the carrying value of property, plant and equipment at 31 December 2021 by reference to the estimated value in use of assets within the Airport CGU, to determine whether there is any indication of impairment in accordance with the accounting policy in 1.11.

The impairment test was performed on a value in use basis, with the value in use of Airport assets determined by calculating the net present value of estimated future cash flows arising from that income generating unit, discounted using a discount factor of 8.5% (2020: 8.5%). The relevant cash flows were derived from the approved rolling plan. A reasonably possible change in the key assumptions does not result in impairment.

In 2020, due to the significant impact of Covid-19 on the Airport's business and projected cash flows, the property, plant and equipment in the Airport CGU was written down to a recoverable amount of €47,568,000, resulting in an impairment loss of €24,484,000 (Note 4).



In determining an asset's recoverable amount the directors are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that impact on the carrying value of the property, plant and equipment. The estimates and assumptions used are based on historical experience, industry knowledge and other factors that are believed to be reasonable based on information available.

Property, plant & equipment include a number of hangars at the Airport which are reflected in Other Property and General Infrastructure. Management have applied judgement to determine the classification of these property assets within the financial statements. The hangar facilities are held to deliver essential services required within the Airport and the Group have accounted for these assets in accordance with the accounting policy in 1.9.

Certain of the Group's assets have been pledged as security against the Group's overdraft facility (Note 25). At 31 December 2021 the net carrying amount of these assets was €1,036,435 (2020: €1,070,231).

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	Plant, Fixtures and Fittings €'000	Total €'000
Cost		
At 1 January 2020	98	98
Additions	18	18
Disposals	(53)	(53)
At 31 December 2020	63	63
At 1 January 2021	63	63
Additions	-	-
Disposals	-	-
At 31 December 2021	63	63
Accumulated Depreciation		
At 1 January 2020	23	23
Charge for year (i)	14	14
Disposals	(13)	(13)
At 31 December 2020	24	24
At 1 January 2021	24	24
Charge for year (i)	13	13
Disposals	-	-
At 31 December 2021	37	37
Net book value		
At 31 December 2021	26	26
At 31 December 2020	39	39
At 31 December 2019	75	75

(i) Depreciation is fully recharged to other group companies.



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11. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Group		
At beginning of year	127,795	129,726
Additions	1,943	11,548
Disposals	(23,194)	(13,010)
Increase/(decrease) in fair value during the year	9,927	(469)
At end of year	116,471	127,795

During 2021 investment property rentals of €11,822,000 were included in Revenue (2020: €11,625,000). Expenses relating to the leasing and maintenance of investment properties, included in administrative expenses, total €4,035,000 (2020: €4,179,000).

During the year, the Group disposed of investment properties for net proceeds of €33,633,000 (2020: €20,833,000) resulting in a gain on disposal of €10,439,000 (2020: €7,823,000), of which €757,000 (2020: €8,709,000) was receivable at 31 December 2021. Net proceeds included a non-refundable deposit of €21,134,000 (Note 20), recognised on completion of the disposal of the investment property to which the deposit related.

The Group's investment properties are stated at fair value as at 31 December 2021. The valuation of investment properties requires a high degree of management judgement and estimation.

Management assessed the fair value of the Group's total investment property portfolio. Final values were applied to each property, having regard to the relevant circumstances of the property including its location, type, size, use, existing tenancies and condition. These values, which are supported by market evidence, were determined by benchmarking against comparable transactions for similar properties in the same locations as those of the Group or through the use of valuation techniques including the use of market yield on comparable properties.

Valuation technique and significant unobservable inputs

The fair value measurement for investment property has been categorised as Level 3 fair value based on the inputs to the valuation techniques used and continued market uncertainty (Note 25). The following table summarises the key unobservable inputs applied in the valuation of the Group's investment property at 31 December 2021.

Asset class	Input	2021	2020
Industrial and retail buildings	Range for values per sq. ft.applied ¹	€5 - €44	€5 - €44
	Weighted average annual rent per sq. ft. ²	€5.66	€5.54
	Equivalent yield - range ²	9% - 12%	9% - 12.5%
Office buildings	Range for values per sq. ft.applied ¹	€4.50 - €195	€4.50 - €185
	Weighted average annual rent per sq. ft. ²	€14.80	€14.56
	Equivalent yield - range ²	7.5% - 12%	8% - 12.5%
Warehouse buildings	Range for values per sq. ft.applied ¹	€19 - €80	€19 - €80
	Weighted average annual rent per sq. ft. ²	€5.76	€5.37
	Equivalent yield - range ²	9% - 9.5%	9% - 9.5%
Industrial land	Value per acre - range ¹	€1,000 - €70,000	€2,000 - €63,000



¹ This is based on comparable market transactions for land and buildings (as applicable). Among other factors the valuation per square foot/acre considers the location of land, the quality of a building and its location, size and condition. This input to the valuation of buildings assumes the buildings are vacant.

² Where applicable the valuation model also considers the present value of net cash flows to be generated from a property, taking into account the contracted rental income and lease terms and applying an appropriate rental yield.

Sensitivity of the measurement to variance of key unobservable inputs

An increase in the value of comparable market transactions would result in an increase in the fair value of the portfolio. Conversely a decrease in the comparable market transactions would result in a decrease in the fair value.

Across the entire portfolio of investment properties a 5% increase in value per sq. ft./acre would result in an increase of €3,716,000 in fair value, whilst a decrease of 5% would result in a fair value decrease of €3,716,000. This is further analysed by property class as follows:

	2021		2020	
Asset class	Increase of 5% in value €'000	Decrease of 5% in value €'000	Increase of 5% in value €'000	Decrease of 5% in value €'000
Industrial buildings	1,025	(1,025)	873	(873)
Office buildings	1,373	(1,373)	1,379	(1,379)
Warehouse buildings	378	(378)	387	(387)
Industrial land	940	(940)	1,842	(1,842)
Total	3,716	(3,716)	4,481	(4,481)

12. FINANCE LEASE RECEIVABLE

Finance lease receivables are payable as follows:

	Future minimum lease payments receivable		Interest receivable		Present value of minimum lease payments	
	2021 €'000	2020 €'000	2021 €'000	2020 €'000	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Less than one year	34	34	2	2	32	32
Between one and five years	137	137	30	30	107	107
More than five years	309	343	157	179	152	164
	480	514	189	211	291	303

The Group is party to an agreement in respect of a leased property whereby a fixed rental income is received over a fixed, long-term period, with the option available for the ownership of the property to transfer to the lessee at the end of the term.



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13. DEFERRED TAX ASSETS

(a) Recognised deferred tax

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Deferred tax assets and liabilities are attributable to the following:

	Assets 2021 €'000	2020 €'000	Liabilities 2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Investment properties	-	-	(1,078)	(2,279)
Unutilised capital losses	1,032	532	-	-
Employee benefits	92	100	-	-
Tax assets/(liabilities)	1,124	632	(1,078)	(2,279)
Net of tax (liabilities)/assets	(1,032)	(532)	1,032	532
Net tax assets/(liabilities)	92	100	(46)	(1,747)

The deferred tax asset arises entirely in respect of temporary differences on retirement benefit liabilities.

The net deferred tax liability arises in respect of temporary differences on fair value of investment properties, offset by a deferred tax asset arising on capital losses. As these losses can be fully offset against capital gains it is appropriate to recognise the deferred tax asset arising from these losses and offset this against the related deferred tax liability.

Movement in deferred tax during the year

	Assets 2021 €'000	2020 €'000	Liabilities 2021 €'000	2020 €'000
At 1 January	100	72	(1,747)	(1,059)
(Charge)/credit to other comprehensive income	(9)	32	-	-
Credit/(charge) to Statement of profit or loss (Note 8)	1	(4)	1,701	(688)
At 31 December	92	100	(46)	(1,747)



(b) Unrecognised deferred tax

At 31 December 2021 the Group has unrecognised deferred tax assets arising as follows.

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Temporary differences on fair value of investment properties	4,241	4,680
Unutilised tax losses	1,352	610
Unutilised capital allowances	5,208	5,976
Other temporary differences	267	284
At end of year	11,068	11,550

A deferred tax asset is regarded as recoverable and therefore recognised only when, on the basis of all available evidence, it can be regarded as more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying temporary differences can be deducted. The directors cannot assess with reasonable certainty when suitable taxable profits will arise.

	Deferred tax asset €'000
At 1 January 2021	11,550
<i>Movement in unrecognised deferred tax arising on:</i>	
Temporary differences on fair value of investment properties	(439)
Unutilised tax losses	742
Unutilised capital allowances	(768)
Other temporary differences	(17)
At 31 December 2021	11,068

	Deferred tax asset €'000
At 1 January 2020	9,373
<i>Movement in unrecognised deferred tax arising on:</i>	
Temporary differences on fair value of investment properties	(642)
Unutilised tax losses	(9)
Unutilised capital allowances	2,609
Other temporary differences	219
At 31 December 2020	11,550



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14. INVENTORIES

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Group		
Finished goods for resale	1,678	1,817
Maintenance stock and consumables	226	205
	<u>1,904</u>	<u>2,022</u>

The replacement cost of inventories did not differ significantly from its carrying value.

A total of €3,134,000 (2020: €2,119,000) was recognised as an expense and included in 'Cost of sales'. This includes a net Statement of Profit or Loss charge of €1,000 (2020: credit of €29,000) arising on the inventory impairment allowance. The inventory impairment allowance levels are continuously reviewed by management and revised where appropriate, taking account of the latest available information on the recoverability of carrying amounts.

15. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Group		
Trade receivables	5,118	3,724
Other receivables	3,597	12,147
	<u>8,715</u>	<u>15,871</u>
	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Company		
Other receivables	231	246
Amounts due from subsidiary companies	443	446
VAT	74	12
	<u>748</u>	<u>704</u>

Amounts due from subsidiary companies arise due to recharges of operating costs.

The carrying amount of trade and other receivables approximate their fair value given their short-term nature.



16. FINANCIAL ASSETS

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Company		
<i>Interest in subsidiary companies – shares at cost</i>		
At beginning of year	78,618	112,275
Impairment charge	-	(33,657)
At end of year	<u>78,618</u>	<u>78,618</u>

Principal subsidiaries and related companies are listed below.

Name	Nature of Business	% Share Capital Owned	Registered Office
Subsidiary Companies			
Shannon Airport Authority DAC	Operation of Shannon Airport (trading)	100%	Shannon Airport, Shannon, Co. Clare
Shannon Commercial Enterprises DAC (<i>trading as Shannon Commercial Properties</i>)	Management and development of commercial property portfolio (trading)	100%	Shannon Airport, Shannon, Co. Clare
Shannon Heritage DAC	Operation of mediaeval banquets and traditional Irish nights and management of heritage visitor attractions (trading)	100% (indirect)	Bunratty Castle, Bunratty, Co. Clare
SAA Pension Corporate Trustee DAC	Pension trustee company	100% (indirect)	Shannon Airport, Shannon, Co. Clare
Shannon Airport Authority Financial Services DAC	Trustee company	100% (indirect)	Shannon Airport, Shannon, Co. Clare
Related Companies			
Shannon Broadband Limited	Regional broadband development (trading)	20% (indirect)	Mill House, Henry Street, Limerick

17. OTHER INVESTMENTS

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Group		
Other investments	-	-



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18. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Group		
Cash on hand	62,161	31,520
Cash and cash equivalents in the statement of financial position	62,161	31,520
Bank overdraft repayable on demand and used for cash management purposes	-	(2,328)
Cash and cash equivalents in the statement of cash flows	62,161	29,192

As security for its borrowings (Note 23) the Group's subsidiary company, Shannon Airport Authority, has granted its lender an assignment and charge over two bank accounts. The balance on the accounts at year end was €1,088,700 (2020: €940,500).

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Company		
Cash on hand	1,074	332
	1,074	332

19. SHARE CAPITAL AND RESERVES

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Share capital		
Authorised:		
60,000,000 ordinary shares of €1 each	60,000	60,000
Issued:		
38,107 ordinary shares of €1 each	38	38

38,107 ordinary shares were issued on 29 August 2014. All of the ordinary shares are beneficially held by the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform.

Capital contribution reserve

The capital contribution reserve represents the fair value of the assets and liabilities transferred to the Group on 5 September 2014 at nil consideration.



20. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Group		
Trade payables	842	932
Accrued expenses	27,523	22,371
Deferred income – non-refundable customer deposits	-	21,134
Social insurance	692	466
VAT (i)	509	2,431
Current trade and other payables	29,566	47,334

(i) The VAT balance at 31 December 2020 represents the VAT liability for all periods in 2020. The Group had availed of the Revenue Commissioners Debt Warehousing Scheme to defer payment of this liability, with no interest applying to this balance in 2020 or 2021. The 2020 VAT balance was paid in full in December 2021.

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Company		
Trade payables	89	116
Accrued expenses	1,155	917
Amounts owed to subsidiary companies	-	324
Social insurance	123	96
Current trade and other payables	1,367	1,453

The carrying amount of trade and other payables approximate their fair value given their short-term nature.



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21. DEFERRED INCOME – CAPITAL GRANTS

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Government grants	1,431	348
Current deferred income	1,431	348
Government grants	12,458	2,429
Non-current deferred income	12,458	2,429
Total deferred income	13,889	2,777
	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Government grants		
<i>Received</i>		
At 1 January	13,258	12,954
Additions (a)	11,618	304
At 31 December	24,876	13,258
<i>Amortisation</i>		
At 1 January	10,481	10,133
Amortisation	506	348
At 31 December	10,987	10,481
Net book value at 1 January	2,777	2,821
Net book value at 31 December (b) (Note 28)	13,889	2,777

Capital grants received by the Group are recognised as deferred income and are amortised over the useful life of the assets to which they relate, from the date the assets are brought into use.

- (a) Due to the impact of Covid-19, the Group's subsidiary company, Shannon Airport, received €4,945,000 in government funding for the Hold Baggage Screening ("HBS") project during 2021 (2020: €304,000). The company also received government funding of €6,473,000 in respect of other capital projects during 2021.

The Group's subsidiary company, Shannon Heritage, received a grant from Fáilte Ireland of €200,000 in 2021 in respect of a capital project in Bunratty Folk Park.

- (b) The Group's subsidiary company, Shannon Commercial Properties, received a grant from Fáilte Ireland for the upgrade of the King John's Castle tourism attraction. The total deferred income recognised at 31 December 2021 in respect of this grant is €2,125,000 (2020: €2,473,000).

This grant becomes repayable should certain conditions cease to be met. The principal condition is that the castle must remain operational as a tourism attraction for a minimum period from the date of grant and the relevant assets may not be disposed of during that period without the consent of Fáilte Ireland. To date all conditions relating to this grant have been met.



22. PROVISIONS

Group	Insurance provision €'000	Provision for severance scheme €'000	Provision for remedial works €'000	Other provision €'000	Total €'000
At 1 January 2020	754	3,100	696	274	4,824
Provisions used during the year	(22)	(4,259)	-	(74)	(4,355)
Provisions made during the year	60	3,436	-	80	3,576
At 31 December 2020	792	2,277	696	280	4,045
At 1 January 2021	792	2,277	696	280	4,045
Provisions used during the year	(30)	(678)	-	(50)	(758)
Provisions made during the year	164	-	-	180	344
At 31 December 2021	926	1,599	696	410	3,631
At 31 December 2020					
Current provisions	365	1,230	-	280	1,875
Non-current provisions	427	1,047	696	-	2,170
Total provisions	792	2,277	696	280	4,045
At 31 December 2021					
Current provisions	543	927	-	410	1,880
Non-current provisions	383	672	696	-	1,751
Total provisions	926	1,599	696	410	3,631

Insurance provision

Shannon Airport and Shannon Heritage operate an insurance programme which recognises a provision for the excess associated with reported and potential claims. The amount provided at 31 December 2021 reflects amounts settled during the period and a revision to the provision to support management's best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the obligations arising from these claims, based on experience and professional advice obtained.

Provision for severance scheme

A provision of €3,100,000 was recorded at 31 December 2019 in respect of an existing voluntary severance scheme. A new voluntary severance scheme was launched in 2020, following the onset of the Covid-19 crisis, with formal applications received from staff who wished to avail of this scheme. A provision of €3,436,000 was recorded as an exceptional cost during 2020.

The provision of €1,599,000 recorded at 31 December 2021 represents management's best estimate of the expenditure required to meet the Group's obligations in respect of its employees under these schemes. Payments totalling €678,000 were made in 2021 under both schemes (2020: €4,259,000). Obligations totalling €927,000 are expected to be settled in 2022.

Provision for remedial works

As 31 December 2021 the Group has recorded a provision in respect of its commitment to pay a one-off contribution to Clare County Council and the Office of Public Works towards design and planning costs relating the Embankments surrounding the Shannon Airport campus. The amount represents management's best estimate of the expenditure required to settle this commitment.

Other provision

At 31 December 2021 the Group has recorded a provision for certain legal matters. The amounts recorded represent management's best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the relevant obligations.

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22. PROVISIONS (Continued)

Company	Other provision €'000	Total €'000
At 1 January 2020	200	200
Provisions used during the year	-	-
Provisions made during the year	-	-
At 31 December 2020	200	200
At 1 January 2021	200	200
Provisions used during the year	-	-
Provisions made during the year	180	180
At 31 December 2021	380	380
At 31 December 2020		
Current provisions	200	200
Non-current provisions	-	-
Total provisions	200	200
At 31 December 2021		
Current provisions	380	380
Non-current provisions	-	-
Total provisions	380	380

Other provision

At 31 December 2021 the Company has recorded a provision for certain legal matters. The amounts recorded represent management's best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the relevant obligations.



23. LOANS AND BORROWINGS

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Group		
Secured bank loans	29,564	30,842
Lease liabilities	1,890	1,779
Total loans and borrowings	31,454	32,621
	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Secured bank loans	1,956	1,843
Lease liability (Note 26)	219	266
Current loans and borrowings	2,175	2,109
Secured bank loans	27,608	28,999
Lease liability (Note 26)	1,671	1,513
Non-current loans and borrowings	29,279	30,512
Total loans and borrowings	31,454	32,621

			2021		2020	
	Currency	Term Years	Face value €'000	Carrying value €'000	Face value €'000	Carrying value €'000
Secured bank loan (a)	EUR	>15	13,385	13,314	12,907	12,805
Secured bank loan (b)	EUR	5	6,099	6,047	7,096	7,029
Secured bank loan (c)	EUR	>10	10,251	10,203	11,080	11,008
Lease liabilities (d)	EUR	-	1,890	1,890	1,779	1,779
Total interest-bearing liabilities (Note 25)			31,625	31,454	32,862	32,621

The Group's bank loans comprise borrowings by its subsidiary companies, Shannon Commercial Properties and Shannon Airport Authority.

(a) In 2017 Shannon Airport Authority obtained a long-term bank loan to fund the cost of the runway rehabilitation. As security for its borrowings the company has granted its lender an assignment and charge over a bank account, with a nil balance at year end (2020: Nil) (Note 18). The loan is an amortising facility with periodic repayments of both principal and interest and is subject to a market interest rate. The interest rate is fixed for the first 15 years with stepped pre-agreed increases at pre-determined dates post year 15 if the loan remains outstanding. Shannon Airport Authority obtained a waiver from its lender in relation to the 2021 financial covenants and repayment obligations associated with this loan.



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23. LOANS AND BORROWINGS (Continued)

- (b) In 2018 Shannon Commercial Properties obtained a development loan and long-term loan to partially fund its capital investment programme. During 2019, the development loan was repaid with an additional long-term loan. As security for its borrowings the company has granted its lender an assignment and charge over three investment properties and an assignment of the rental income from the secured properties. Elements of both loans have fixed interest rates with the remainder of the loans being subject to variable interest rates. All loans are amortising facilities with periodic repayments of both principal and interest and are subject to market interest rates.
- (c) During 2019 Shannon Airport Authority obtained a long-term bank loan to partially fund the cost of development of a new aircraft hangar. As security for its borrowings the company has granted its lender an assignment and charge over the hangar, an assignment of the rental income from the hangar and an assignment and charge over a bank account, with a €1,088,700 balance at year end (2020: €940,500) (Note 18). The loan is an amortising facility with periodic repayments of both principal and interest and is subject to a market interest rate. The interest rate is fixed with a pre-agreed increase post year 10 if the loan remains outstanding.

The companies are each subject to financial covenants on each loan that will remain in place until the loan is repaid in full. All companies are in compliance with their applicable financial covenants at the year-end date.

- (d) The Group has a number of leases with varying lease end dates ranging from 2022 to 2041. Information about leases for which the Group is a lessee is presented in Note 26.



24. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

The Group operates a number of pension schemes, including both defined contribution and defined benefit schemes. Details of the schemes in operation across the Group are outlined below. The Group has accounted for retirement benefits under defined benefit schemes in accordance with IAS 19 “Employee Benefits”.

Shannon Airport Authority operated a number of pension schemes on behalf of its employees during 2021 and 2020:

a) Defined benefit pension scheme – Aer Rianta Supplemental Superannuation Scheme

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Group		
Net defined benefit liability	(738)	(800)

Certain of the Group’s employees are members of the Aer Rianta Supplemental Superannuation Scheme (“ARSSS”) which is a defined benefit scheme operated by daa plc (“daa”) and accounted for by the Group’s subsidiary company, Shannon Airport Authority DAC (“the Company”), as a defined benefit scheme.

On 31 December 2012, the Company and daa entered in a transfer agreement (the “Business Transfer Agreement”) whereby the assets and liabilities of the business of Shannon Airport which had been undertaken by daa were transferred to the Company in accordance with the provisions of the State Airports Act 2004.

Under the terms of the Business Transfer Agreement the Company has a net liability to the ARSSS in respect only of those permanent employees of Shannon Airport who were members of the ARSSS on 31 December 2012 and who transferred to and became employed by the Company on that date.

The ARSSS was frozen as at 31 December 2015. The Company ceased to be a participating employer in the ARSSS however it agreed to continue to pay contributions to the ARSSS in respect of the permanent employees of Shannon Airport who were members of the ARSSS on 31 December 2012 if and when demanded by the trustees of the scheme.

The contributions are determined by a qualified actuary on the basis of valuation every three years.

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Contributions expected to be paid to the plan during the annual period beginning after the reporting date (i)	21	22

- (i) Actual contributions paid in 2021 were Nil. A contribution of €21,000 is expected to be paid in 2022.



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24. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS (Continued)

An actuarial assessment of the scheme was carried out at 31 December 2020 and 2021 by Mercer, the independent professionally qualified firm of actuaries, for the purpose of preparing the year end IAS 19 disclosures. The actuary assigned to the Company the assets and liabilities of the scheme and associated movements which relate to its employees.

Movement in net defined benefit liability

The following table shows a reconciliation of the opening balance to the closing balance for the net defined benefit liability and its components.

	Defined benefit obligation		Fair value of plan assets		Net defined benefit liability	
	2021 €'000	2020 €'000	2021 €'000	2020 €'000	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Fair value at beginning of year	2,110	1,981	(1,310)	(1,401)	800	580
Included in Profit or Loss						
Expected return on plan assets	-	-	(15)	(22)	(15)	(22)
Interest cost	25	31	-	-	25	31
	25	31	(15)	(22)	10	9
Included in Other Comprehensive Income						
Remeasurement (gain)/loss:						
- Return on plan assets	-	-	(91)	154	(91)	154
Actuarial (gain)/loss arising from effect of:						
- changes in demographic assumptions	(24)	-	-	-	(24)	-
- changes in financial assumptions	29	130	-	-	29	130
- experience adjustments	14	(30)	-	-	14	(30)
	19	100	(91)	154	(72)	254
Other						
Employer contributions	-	-	-	(43)	-	(43)
Members contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Benefits paid	(147)	(2)	147	2	-	-
Fair value at year end	2,007	2,110	(1,269)	(1,310)	738	800



Plan assets

Plan assets comprise the following:

	2021		2020	
	Plan assets €'000	Percentage of plan assets - %	Plan assets €'000	Percentage of plan assets - %
Equities	340	26.8	442	33.7
Bonds	759	59.8	746	57.0
Property	-	-	-	-
Cash	4	0.3	4	0.3
Other	166	13.1	118	9.0
	1,269	100.0	1,310	100.0

To develop the expected long-term rate of return on plan assets the company considered the current level of expected return on risk free investments (primarily government bonds), the historical level of the risk premium associated with the other asset classes in which the portfolio invested in and the expectations for future returns of each asset class. The expected return for each asset class was then weighted based on the scheme's asset allocation to develop the expected long-term rate of return on assets assumption for the portfolio.

Defined benefit obligation

Actuarial assumptions

The following table summarises the main assumptions adopted in respect of the defined benefit scheme. The assumptions, including the expected long-term rate of return on assets, have been set up on the advice of the company's actuary.

	2021	2020
Discount rate	1.5%	1.25%
Rate of price inflation	2%	1.3%
Rate of increase in salaries	-	-

The discount rate of 1.5% is based on the AA Corporate Rated Bonds which are considered appropriate for the duration of the liabilities of the schemes.

Assumptions regarding future mortality have been based on published statistics and mortality tables. The current longevity underling the values of the defined benefit obligation at the reporting date were as follows:

	2021 Years	2020 Years
<i>Longevity at age 65 for current pensioners</i>		
Males	22.4	22.6
Females	24.1	24.5
<i>Longevity at age 65 for current members aged 45</i>		
Males	24.1	24.4
Females	26.0	26.3



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24. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS (Continued)

Sensitivity analysis

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.

	2021 €'000 Increase/(decrease)	2020 €'000 Increase/(decrease)
Discount rate – 0.25% decrease (2020: 0.5%)	127	286
Inflation – 0.25% increase (2020: 0.5%)	56	124

b) Defined contribution schemes

Shannon Airport Authority operates two internally funded defined contribution pension schemes for certain employees. Payments made to the scheme are charged annually in the financial statements and for the year ended 31 December 2021, the total expense recognised was €579,777 (2020: €759,029), €60,917 of which was payable at year end (2020: Nil).

Shannon Commercial Properties (“the Company”) operated an unfunded defined benefit pension scheme up to the date of transfer to Shannon Group on 5 September 2014. Up to that date, under an arrangement with the Exchequer, employer and employee contributions were paid to the Exchequer and the Company recognised a deferred funding asset representing the asset to be recovered from the Exchequer in future periods. The Company also recognised a liability representing the funding deficit for post-retirement pension increases. In accordance with the Shannon Group Act, all liabilities, duties, obligations and funding (including pension increases and supplementary pension payments) arising by virtue of the operation of the scheme were transferred to the Minister for Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation on date of transfer. Therefore, for the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020, Shannon Group has accounted for the scheme as a defined contribution pension scheme. Payments made to the scheme are charged annually in the financial statements and for the year ended 31 December 2021, the total expense recognised was €154,000 (2020: €134,000), of which €31,000 was payable at year end (2020: €29,000).

Shannon Heritage operates an internally funded defined contribution pension scheme for certain employees. Payments made to the scheme are charged annually in the financial statements and for the year ended 31 December 2021, the total expense recognised was €58,551 (2020: €62,633). The amount due at year end is €23,947 (2020: €22,828).

Shannon Group plc operates a number of contribution pension schemes for certain employees. Payments made to the scheme are charged annually in the financial statements and for the year ended 31 December 2021, the total expense recognised was €224,963 (2020: €192,920), €18,909 of which was payable at year end (2020: €21,667).



25. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

Financial risk factors

The Company’s Board of Directors has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Group’s risk management policy. The Board of Directors has established an Audit and Risk Committee which is responsible for developing and monitoring the Group’s risk management systems.

The Group has an established group wide risk management system that ensures risks are consistently identified, assessed, recorded and reported across all Business Units and functions and which seeks to limit the impact of these risks on the financial performance of the Group. It is the Group’s policy to manage these risks in a non-speculative manner.

The Group’s operations expose it to various financial risks, as described below. This note presents information about the Group’s exposure to these risks and its objectives, policies and processes for measuring and managing the risk. Further quantitative disclosures are included throughout this note.

(a) Credit risk

The Group undertakes financial transactions in the ordinary course of business with a number of counterparties and could suffer financial loss if any of those counterparties were to either fail or to default in the performance of their respective obligations. Credit risk arises from credit to customers arising on outstanding receivables and outstanding transactions as well as cash and cash equivalents and deposits with banks and financial institutions. The Group’s deposits are held with two credit institutions. Counterparty exposures are regularly monitored by management and reported to the Board as required.

The carrying amount of financial assets, net of impairment provisions represents the Group’s maximum credit exposure. The maximum exposure to credit risk at year end is outlined in the table below.

	Carrying amount	
	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Group		
Trade receivables (Note 15)	5,118	3,724
Other receivables (Note 15)	3,597	12,147
Finance lease receivable (Note 12)	291	303
Other investments (Note 17)	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 18)	62,161	31,520
Total	71,167	47,694
Company		
Trade receivables (Note 15)	-	-
Other receivables (Note 15)	231	246
Amounts due from subsidiary companies (Note 15)	443	446
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 18)	1,074	332
Total	1,748	1,024

Trade receivables

The Group has procedures in place for monitoring and managing the credit risk related to its trade receivables based on experience, customers’ track record and historic default rates. Individual risk limits are generally set by customer and risk is only accepted above such limits in defined circumstances. Credit risk exposures in relation to ad hoc customers are mitigated, where necessary, using prepayments or the request of deposits.



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25. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

(a) Credit risk (Continued)

The Group's trade receivables are all denominated in Euro. The exposure to credit risk for trade and receivables by geographic region of customers was as follows:

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Gross trade receivables		
Republic of Ireland	5,641	4,450
United Kingdom	256	277
Rest of world	470	408
At 31 December	6,367	5,135

At 31 December 2021, the exposure to credit risk for trade receivables by type of counterparty was as follows:

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Aeronautical customers	3,527	1,417
Tourism customers	231	134
Commercial property customers	692	1,471
Airport concession and rental customers	1,896	1,505
Other commercial customers	21	608
At 31 December	6,367	5,135

Trade receivables do not carry interest and are stated net of allowances for doubtful receivables, an analysis of which is provided as follows:

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Expected credit loss		
At the start of the year	1,411	1,408
Amounts (credited)/charged to operating expenses	(89)	59
Trade receivables written off	(73)	(56)
At 31 December	1,249	1,411
Net trade receivables (Note 15)	5,118	3,724



The following table provides an aged analysis of the Group's trade receivables:

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Within credit terms	1,643	663
0-30 days past due	846	571
31-60 days past due	1,049	638
61-90 days past due	861	410
Greater than 90 days past due	1,968	2,853
Total	6,367	5,135

Expected credit loss assessment for individual customers as at 31 December 2021

At each reporting date the Group evaluates the recoverability of trade receivables and records allowances for doubtful receivables based on experience.

The Group uses an allowance matrix to measure the expected credit loss of trade receivables from individual customers. Loss rates are calculated using a 'roll rate' method based on the probability of a receivable progressing through successive stages of non-recoverability to write-off.

	Weighted-average loss rate	Gross carrying amount €'000	Loss allowance €'000	Credit- impaired €'000
Within credit terms	3.5%	1,643	(58)	1,585
0-30 days past due	3.4%	846	(29)	817
31-60 days past due	9.4%	1,049	(99)	950
61-90 days past due	8.6%	861	(74)	787
Greater than 90 days past due	50.3%	1,968	(989)	979
Total		6,367	(1,249)	5,118

Loss rates are based on historic data of credit loss experience. It also takes into consideration the Group's view of economic conditions over the expected lives of the receivables.

Expected credit loss assessment for individual customers as at 31 December 2020

	Weighted-average loss rate	Gross carrying amount €'000	Loss allowance €'000	Credit- impaired €'000
Within credit terms	12.6%	663	(84)	579
0-30 days past due	5.3%	571	(30)	541
31-60 days past due	2.5%	638	(16)	622
61-90 days past due	22.7%	410	(93)	317
Greater than 90 days past due	41.6%	2,853	(1,188)	1,665
Total		5,135	(1,411)	3,724



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25. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

(a) Credit risk (Continued)

Finance lease receivable

The credit risk in respect of the finance lease receivable arises with one counterparty. The balance is not past due or impaired. The Group has procedures in place for monitoring and managing this credit risk based on experience and the customer's track record of payment.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents and other investments ("cash deposits") are invested with institutions, for which management has considered their credit rating.

Regarding the Group and Company's cash deposits, the credit ratings of the institutions in which cash is deposited was Baa3 or above at year end based on Moody's ratings (2020: *Baa3 or above*). The Group considers that its cash and cash equivalents have low credit risk based on the external credit ratings of the counterparties. The expected credit loss is less than €1,000.

(b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group will encounter difficulty in meeting its obligations with its financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset. The Group's approach to manage liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Group's reputation.

Cash generated by the business is the primary source of funding available to the Group. The Group's subsidiary companies, Shannon Airport Authority and Shannon Commercial Properties have obtained long-term bank loans to partially fund their capital expenditure programmes (Note 23). A prudent approach is adopted in managing liquidity including funding of significant investment requirements. The Group has determined its risk appetite for commercial investments and set financial tolerance levels accordingly.

The Group operates strong business and financial control systems with regular operational cash flow and cash balance position reporting, early signalling of material deviation from plan and carries out reviews to ensure liquidity is maintained in the short to longer term.

The Group has adequate funding resources available to meet forecast short term funding requirements of its operations and capital investment programme. An overdraft facility of €5 million is available to meet short term working capital requirements. Arising from this, the bank holds security over certain Group assets (Note 10). The overdraft facility was used during 2021 and 2020, however was not in use at year end (Note 18).

The Group has prepared a five-year rolling plan. Implementation of the Group's capital programme will require additional external borrowings.



The following are the remaining contractual maturities of financial liabilities at the reporting date. The amounts are gross and undiscounted.

	Contractual cash flows					
	Carrying amount €'000	Total contractual cash flows €'000	3 months or less €'000	3-12 months €'000	1-2 years €'000	More than 2 years €'000
31 December 2021						
Non-derivative financial liabilities						
Bank overdraft	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trade payable and accrued expenses	28,365	28,365	28,365	-	-	-
Secured bank loans	29,564	30,270	421	2,035	5,072	22,742
Lease liability	1,890	2,338	84	254	298	1,702
Total	59,819	60,973	28,870	2,289	5,370	24,444

	Contractual cash flows					
	Carrying amount €'000	Total contractual cash flows €'000	3 months or less €'000	3-12 months €'000	1-2 years €'000	More than 2 years €'000
31 December 2020						
<i>Non-derivative financial liabilities</i>						
Bank overdraft	2,328	2,328	2,328	-	-	-
Trade payables and ac-crued expenses	23,303	23,303	23,303	-	-	-
Secured bank loans	30,842	40,479	522	2,468	2,991	34,498
Lease liability	1,779	2,286	89	266	105	1,826
Total	58,252	68,396	26,242	2,734	3,096	36,324

(c) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as foreign exchange rates and interest rates will affect the Group's income.

(i) Interest rate risk

The Group is not exposed to interest rate risk on the secured bank loans held by its subsidiary company, Shannon Airport Authority, as the interest rate is fixed for the term of both loans. The Group's other secured bank loan and cash and investment balances attract interest at both fixed and floating rates. An increase or decrease of 1% in interest rates would result in an increase/(decrease) of €0.6 million to profit/loss (2020: €0.3 million).

(ii) Foreign exchange risk

The Group is not materially exposed to foreign exchange risk as all material transactions and financial instruments are in Euro (the Group's functional currency). Any strengthening or weakening of the Euro against other currencies would not have a significant impact on profit/loss or other comprehensive income.

(iii) Other price risk

The Group is not exposed to equity security or commodity price risk as it does not hold any equity investments.

Capital management

The Group's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns for shareholders and to maintain an optimal capital structure.



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25. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

(c) Market risk (Continued)

Financial instruments measurement, categorisations and fair value estimation

The following table presents the classification of the Group and Company's financial assets and liabilities. See Note 11 for disclosure relating to investment properties that are held at fair value.

	Amortised Cost €'000	Fair Value through Profit or Loss €'000	Other financial liabilities €'000	Carrying value €'000	Fair value* €'000
Group					
31 December 2021					
Finance lease receivable	291	-	-	291	-
Trade and other receivables	8,715	-	-	8,715	-
Other investments	-	-	-	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents	62,161	-	-	62,161	-
Total	71,167	-	-	71,167	
Bank overdraft	-	-	-	-	-
Trade payables and accrued expenses	-	-	28,365	28,365	-
Secured bank loans	-	-	29,564	29,564	-
Lease liability	-	-	1,890	1,890	-
Total	-	-	59,819	59,819	

	Amortised Cost €'000	Fair Value through Profit or Loss €'000	Other financial liabilities €'000	Carrying value €'000	Fair value* €'000
31 December 2020					
Finance lease receivable	303	-	-	303	-
Trade and other receivables	15,871	-	-	15,871	-
Other investments	-	-	-	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents	31,520	-	-	31,520	-
Total	47,694	-	-	47,694	

Bank overdraft	-	-	(2,328)	(2,328)	-
Trade payables and accrued expenses	-	-	(23,303)	(23,303)	-
Secured bank loan	-	-	(30,842)	(30,842)	-
Lease Liability	-	-	(1,779)	(1,779)	-
Total	-	-	(58,252)	(58,252)	

	Amortised Cost €'000	Fair Value through Profit or Loss €'000	Other financial liabilities €'000	Carrying value €'000	Fair value* €'000
Company					
31 December 2021					
Trade and other receivables	748	-	-	748	-
Cash and cash equivalents	1,074	-	-	1,074	-
Total	1,822	-	-	1,822	
Trade and other payables	-	-	(1,367)	(1,367)	-
Total	-	-	(1,367)	(1,367)	



	Amortised Cost €'000	Fair Value through Profit or Loss €'000	Other financial liabilities €'000	Carrying value €'000	Fair value* €'000
31 December 2020					
Trade and other receivables	704	-	-	704	-
Cash and cash equivalents	332	-	-	332	-
Total	1,036	-	-	1,036	
Trade and other payables	-	-	(1,453)	(1,453)	-
Total	-	-	(1,453)	(1,453)	

*The Group has availed of the exemption under IFRS 7 "Financial Instruments: Disclosure" for additional disclosures where fair value closely approximates the amortised cost carrying value.

With the exception of finance leases receivable, the above financial assets and liabilities are valued at fair value or deemed to be carried at an amount equivalent to fair value.

Measurement of fair values

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 prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2: inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (as prices) or indirectly (derived from prices).
- Level 3: inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

Set out below are the major methods and assumptions used in estimating the fair values of the financial assets and liabilities disclosed in the preceding table.

Finance leases receivable – not measured at fair value in the Statement of Financial Position

Fair value is based on the present value of future cash flows discounted at market rates.

26. LEASES

(a) Leases as lessee

The Group leases a number of retail units at Heritage sites and certain IT equipment with varying lease end dates ranging from 2022 to 2041. Information about leases for which the Group is a lessee is presented below.

(i) Right-of-use assets in the statement of financial position

Right-of-use assets related to lease properties that do not meet the definition of investment properties are presented as a separate line item in the statement of financial position:

	Tourism Buildings €'000	Plant, Fixtures and Fittings €'000	Total €'000
Balance at 1 January 2020	1,538	489	2,027
Depreciation charge for the year	(92)	(244)	(336)
Balance at 31 December 2020	1,446	245	1,691
Balance at 1 January 2021	1,446	245	1,691
Additions	-	433	433
Lease modifications	(37)	-	(37)
Depreciation charge for the year	(67)	(245)	(312)
Balance at 31 December 2021	1,342	433	1,775



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26. LEASES (Continued)

(a) Leases as lessee (Continued)

(ii) Amounts recognised in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income

The following amounts have been recognised in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income for which the Group is a lessee:

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Gain on lease modifications	(9)	-
Interest expense on lease liabilities	31	8

(iii) Amounts recognised in the consolidated cashflow statement

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Total cash outflow for leases	276	299

(b) Leases as lessor

The Group leases out its investment properties (see Note 11). The Group does not have any finance lease arrangements as a lessor. During the year €11,822,000 (2020: €11,625,000) was recognised as rental income by the Group. The following table sets out a maturity analysis of lease payments to be received, showing the undiscounted lease payments to be received after the reporting date:

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Operating leases		
Less than one year	9,187	9,649
Between one and two years	6,350	6,615
Between two and three years	5,791	5,933
Between three and four years	5,215	5,405
Between four and five years	4,566	4,641
More than five years	11,020	13,121
Total	42,129	45,364



27. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

(a) Related party transactions

Group

The holder and ultimate controlling party of the Group is the Government. In common with many other entities, the Group deals in the normal course of business with Government and state bodies and other entities that are under ownership, control or significant influence from the Government. Such dealings are with a wide range of entities that include central government, local authorities, commercial and non-commercial semi-state companies and financial institutions. Certain assets held by the Group's subsidiary company, Shannon Airport Authority DAC, are leased to National University of Galway ("NUI Galway") on an arm's length basis. Shannon Group plc and NUI Galway are both under the common control of the State.

Transactions between subsidiaries of the Group, which are related parties, have been eliminated on consolidation and are not disclosed in this note.

The following related party transactions occurred during the year:

- (i) Mr. Liam O'Shea, who served as director of the Group during the year, is a shareholder of County Tipperary Radio Limited (trading as Tipp FM). In 2020 Liam O'Shea was also a shareholder of Clare Community Radio Holdings plc (trading as Clare FM). These companies provide advertising services to the Group.

Fees in respect of services provided by the above companies to the Group in the normal course of business during the year ended 31 December 2021 were €2,400 (2020: €13,350 for both companies). No amounts were unbilled or billed and not yet paid by the Group at year-end (2020: Nil).

- (ii) Mr. Ambrose Loughlin, who served as director of the Group during the year, is a former partner of McCann Fitzgerald and currently acts a consultant to the firm, which provides legal services to the Group.

Fees paid in respect of services provided by the above firm to the Group in the normal course of business during the year ended 31 December 2021 were €19,263 (2020: €9,500). No amounts were unbilled or billed and not yet paid by the Group at year-end (2020: €1,484).

- (iii) Mr. Tom Kelly, who served as director of the Group during the year, was an employee of AerCap Ireland Limited during the year, a company which receives services from the Group.

Fees paid in respect of services provided by the Group to the above company in the normal course of business during the year ended 31 December 2021 were €383,105 (2020: Nil). €39,990 was unbilled or billed and not yet paid to the Group at year-end (2020: Nil).

- (iv) Mr. Kevin McCarthy, who served as director of the Group during the year, is a director of Mid West Sporting Supplies Limited, a company which provides services to the Group.

Fees paid by the Group in respect of services provided to the Group in the normal course of business during the year ended 31 December 2021 were Nil (2020: €4,024). No amounts were unbilled or billed and not yet paid by the Group at year-end (2020: Nil).

Company

Transactions between the Company and its subsidiaries during the financial period relate primarily to the recharge of operating costs.



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27. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES (Continued)

(b) Key management compensation

Key management includes members of the Group Executive Team. The compensation paid or payable to key management for employee services is shown below below:

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Group		
Salaries and other short-term employee benefits (including social welfare)	1,020	777
Post-employment benefits	115	99
	<u>1,135</u>	<u>876</u>

Company

A number of members of the Group Executive team are employed by the Company. A portion of this compensation of these employees and of the remuneration of the directors of the Company is recharged to subsidiary companies.

28. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

(a) Capital and other commitments

The value of capital work not completed at 31 December 2021 under contracts entered into by the Group is estimated at €8,945,205 (2020: €5,700,480). Grant aid of €1,386,000 (2020: €5,796,000) has been secured to fund certain of these capital commitments.

(b) Grant contingency

The Group's subsidiary company, Shannon Commercial Properties, received a grant from Fáilte Ireland towards the upgrade of the King John's Castle tourism attraction and this grant becomes repayable should certain conditions cease to be met. To date all conditions relating to this grant have been met.

29. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

There have been no other significant events subsequent to the year-end affecting the Group.

30. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 24 March 2022.



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