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DIRECTORS AND OTHER INFORMATION

Directors

Kieran McMahon (Chairperson) Ken Holland (Vice-Chairperson) John Murray (Secretary) Gerard Carberry (Resigned April 2022) Phil Doran (Co-opted April 2022) Denise English (Resigned July 2022) Conal Haughey Brendan Healy Richard McCausland Philip Moore Robbie Moore John O'Brien (Co-opted July 2022) Aidan Redican

Board Oversight Committee

Vanessa Fox (*Chairperson*) Patrick Barrett (*Co-opted May 2022*) David Butler Vivienne Fitzpatrick David Kerin (*Resigned April 2022*) Sarah Walsh

Staff

Management Team

Gillian Dunne (Chief Executive Officer) Mark Madden (Finance & Regulation Manager) Rosie Casey (Member Services & Lending Manager)

Support Team: Jessica Fitzsimons, Lorna Hanlon (*MSO/Team Lead*), Geoff Hevey, Rachel Kearns, Ciara Laird, Sarah Lee, Alison Morris & Jade Rennix. Miriam Spelman (*Marketing & Development Officer*).

Registered Number: 462CU

Registered Office: 75/76 Amiens Street, Dublin 1.

Internal Auditors: R.B.K. Risk & Compliance: W.D.A. Data Protection: Fort Privacy Auditor: FMB Advisory Ltd., Chartered Accountants & Statutory Audit Firm, 4 Ormond Quay Upper, Dublin 7. Bankers: Bank of Ireland, 2 College Green, Dublin 2 Solicitors: Ivor Fitzpatrick & Co. Solicitors, 44-45 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin 2.

AGENDA

- (a) The acceptance by the board of directors of the authorised representatives of members that are not natural persons;
- (b) ascertainment that a quorum is present;
- (c) adoption of standing orders;
- (d) reading and approval (or correction) of the minutes of the last annual general meeting, and any intervening special general meeting;
- (e) report of the board of directors;
- (f) consideration of accounts;
- (g) report of the auditor;
- (h) report of the board oversight committee;
- (i) declaration of dividends and interest rebates;
- (j) amends to standard rules;
- (k) report of the credit committee;
- (I) report of the nominations committee;
- (m) report of the membership committee;
- (n) report of the credit control committee;
- (o) report of any subcommittee;
- (p) appointment of tellers;
- (q) election of auditor;
- (r) election to fill vacancies on the board oversight committee;
- (s) election to fill vacancies on the board of directors;
- (t) any other business;
- (u) announcement of election results;
- (v) adjournment or close of meeting.

STANDING ORDERS FOR CREDIT UNIONS

1. VOTING

Each member shall be entitled to one vote irrespective of his/her shareholding, in accordance with Rule 104.

2-3 ELECTION PROCEDURE

- 2. Elections to the Board of Directors, to the Board Oversight Committee and the position of Auditor shall be by majority and by secret ballot.
- 3. A ballot paper for election of the Board of Directors, Board Oversight Committee and Auditor, where applicable will be distributed to each member at the AGM.

4-9 MOTIONS

- 4. All motions from the floor of the AGM must be proposed and seconded by all members present at the AGM and moved by the proposed. If the proposer is absent when the motion is called, the motion shall be deemed to have failed.
- 5. A proposer of a motion may speak for such a period as shall be at the discretion of the Chairman of the meeting and shall have the right of reply before the motion is put to the meeting for a vote.
- 6. In exercising his/her right of reply, a proposer may not include new material.
- 7. The seconder of a motion shall have such time as shall be allowed by the chairman to second the motion.
- Members are entitled to speak on any such motion and must do so through the Chair. All speakers to any motion shall have such time as shall be at the discretion of the Chairman.
- 9. The chairman shall have the absolute right to decide at any time when a motion has been sufficiently discussed and may put the motion to the meeting given the proposer the right to reply before doing so.

10-16 MISCELLANEOUS

- 10. The chairman of the Board of Directors shall be the chairman of any general meeting, except where he/she is not available, then it shall be the vice chairman, except where, he/she is not available, in which case the Board of Directors shall decide amongst themselves who shall act as chairman of any general meeting.
- 11. The chairman may at his discretion, extend the privilege of the floor to any person who is not a member.
- 12. Matters not covered by the agenda may be introduced under "other business" at the discretion of the Chairman
- 13. The chairman's decision on any matter relating to these Standing Orders or interpretation of same shall be final.
- 14. In accordance with Standard Rule 99 (1) no member shall have more than one vote on each question at any general meeting of the credit union or any adjournment thereof irrespective of his/her shareholding or the number of accounts in his/her name in the credit union provided, however, that except in voting at elections, the presiding member shall have a second or casting vote in the event of equality of voting. Voting by proxy shall be allowed only when a member other than a natural person votes through a representative, who is a member of the group, duly authorised in writing for that purpose and accepted as such by the board of directors.

15. Any matter to be decided upon by a vote at the AGM shall, unless otherwise expressly provided for by law or the rules, be decided upon by simple majority.

16 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

Any one of these Orders or all of these standing orders may be suspended on a motion to this effect which has received a two-thirds majority of those present and entitled to vote.

17 ALTERATION OF STANDING ORDERS

Standing orders may be amended or altered at a general meeting and only if a motion to this effect has received a two-thirds majority of those present and to vote.

18 ADJOURNMENTS

Adjournments of the AGM shall take place only in accordance with Standard Rule 99 (2).

INVOCATION

Lord; make me an instrument of Thy peace, Where there is hatred, let me sow love, Where there is injury, pardon, Where there is doubt, faith, Where there is despair, hope, Where there is darkness, light, And where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much, Seek to be consoled as to console, To be understood, as to understand, To be loved as to love, For it is giving that we receive, It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, And it is dying that we are born to eternal life.

Chairman's Report



As Chair of the Board of Directors of ANSAC Credit Union, on behalf of my fellow Board of Director members, Board Oversight Committee, management and staff, it's my great privilege to welcome you to our 29th Annual General Meeting and to present to you the annual reports for the year ending 2022.

Before I commence the delivery of this report, I ask everyone here to stand for a minute's silence to remember those who have passed away in the past year and to think of those who

lost loved ones. Our sincere condolence to you and your families.

I would also like to pay tribute to our members in the Army, Naval Service and Air Corps (ANSAC) who are serving our state at home and overseas, thank you for all that you do. I also wish to thank our retired service personnel for your loyal service to our state. We're one big extended military family where we've made great friendships that last a lifetime.

Financial Performance 2022

And now on to our financial performance for the financial year ended September 30th 2022. We remain focused on our financial position and the overall stability of ANSAC. We also of course are attentive to the fundamentals, those being, a secure place to save and access to loans at fair and reasonable rates. On behalf of myself and the ANSAC Credit Union Board of Directors I'm very pleased to share that we've had another successful year as you can see in the summary below:

DESCRIPTION:	AMOUNT:
STRONG SURPLUS	€555,792
TOTAL ASSETS	€33,161,467
TOTAL RESERVE	€6,776,357
LOANS OUTSTANDING	€20,747,591
INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO	€10,261,909
REGULATORY RESERVE	€3,897,148 (11.75%% of Total Assets (exceeds the regulatory requirements of 10% of Total Assets.)

Dividends and Rebate

For the financial year ending 30th September 2022:

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Dividends are proposed at: €25,811 (0.10%)
An interest rebate is proposed at: €111,719 (Which is 10% on the standard rate and secured loans issued.)
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All members in attendance at the AGM will be invited to vote on these proposals.

Legal obligations

It's important to report to you that all legal obligations were met by the Board of Directors to ensure that we're performing to the highest standards. Diligently adhering to these standards allows us to safeguard the future of the credit union, as you the members have entrusted us to do.

Strategy & policies

In accordance with the Credit Union Act 2012 the Board of Directors continue to focus on our strategy and policy in order to ensure that we remain a strong and viable Credit Union. Our Strategic Plan for 2021 to 2025 is on target in reaching our goals.

All policies for ANSAC are reviewed annually and updated as required, thus ensuring that we remain a strong and vibrant Credit Union.

I'm also pleased to share with you all that we'll be moving to a new, more economical premises in Drumcondra, Dublin next summer. To facilitate this, we'll be selling our current buildings at 75-76 Amiens Street. While our current offices served us well for many years, the future running costs of both buildings was a key factor in the board's decision-making process, always keeping in mind the need for a prudent attitude towards operating costs.

Current account launching in 2023

A further exciting development for the Credit Union for 2023 will be the launch of a current account which will come with a Debit Master Card. We will keep you posted in due course and very much look forward to introducing this enhanced service for all our members who wish to avail of it.



Training

A massive emphasis is always put on the training of our Directors and Board Oversight Committee Members each year to ensure we possess the skills and competencies needed to fulfil our obligations. A minimum legal level of training for all Credit Unions is also mandated by The Irish Registry of Credit Unions as part of its regulatory function.

Our CEO Gillian, together with our Nominations Committee conduct a skills analysis annually which allows us to identify our training requirements. This structured approach ensures we've the required knowledge and expertise in place to successfully operate and govern our Credit Union.

Training modules were also undertaken and completed by all Board Members, Board Oversight Committee Members and Staff covering the following topics:

- Anti-Money Laundering Vigilance & Prevention
- GDPR/Data Protection

- Ethics
- Risk Management
- Overview of CU Legislation and Regulation
- Information Security

Acknowledgments

On behalf of the Board of Directors we would like to express our sincere thanks to the below mentioned.

Our Management Team: CEO, Gillian Dunne, Finance & Regulations Manager Mark Madden and Member Services & Lending Manager, Rosie Casey. And all other staff: Senior Member Services Officer, Lorna Hanlon, Finance & Regulations Officer, Alison Morris, Marketing and Development Officer Miriam Spelman and Member Service Officers: Geoff Hevey, Rachel Kearns, Jessica Fitzsimons & Ciara Laird and Loans Officers, Jade Rennix & Sarah Lee, thank you for your commitment to ANSAC.

Our Board of Directors, Board Oversight Committee, Sub Committee Members and Barrack Representatives. Your continuous support is invaluable in ensuring the smooth running and success of ANSAC.

Our two former Directors, Denise English and Gerard Carberry who left to proceed overseas. A huge thank you to both for all your vital hard work and dedication to serving the ANSAC Community.

And to our Board Oversight Committee member, David Kerin, who also recently left. Thank you for your really valued contributions.

To PDFORRA and PMAS who are our partners as we all strive to enhance our extended Military Family. Thank you for your continuous support.

Finally, to you the members who continue to show your loyalty to ANSAC, we wouldn't be here thriving without you.

On this note, we ask each of you to assist us in our growth by encouraging new members to join and reminding those who left us to reactivate their accounts.

As always, I want to remind that we're open to family members who can join and get access to our discounted rates like our 6.9% Welcome Loan and 6.2% Car Loan. So please do canvas them to join! Through these collective efforts we'll become a better and stronger Credit Union going forward.

A saying within the Credit Union Movement is *"that every non-member is a potential member of the Credit Union"*.

I also want to remind personnel who are due to retire from the Defence Forces that you don't have to leave ANSAC. **"Once a member always a member!"** Please contact our offices for advice on what to do once your payroll deductions cease.

We wish you and your families good health and happiness throughout the year ahead.

Regards

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Kieran Mc Mahon Chairman.







Report and Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 September 2022

Registration Number 462CU

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Directors and Other Information

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	Ken Holland (Vice-chairperson)
	John Murray (Secretary)
	Conal Haughey
	Gerard Carberry (Resigned April 2022)
	Robert Moore
	Aidan Redican
	Brendan Healy
	Ricky McCausland
	Philip Moore
	Denise English (Resigned July 2022)
	Phil Doran (Co-opted April 2022)
	John O'Brien (Co-opted July 2022)
Board Oversight Committee	Vanessa Fox (Chairperson)
	Sarah Walshe
	David Kerin (Resigned April 2022)
	David Butler
	Vivianne Fitzpatrick
	Patrick Barrett (Co-opted May 2022)
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Directors' Report for the year ended 30 September 2022

The directors present their report and audited financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2022.

Principal Activity and Review of Business

On review of the credit union's financial results the following key performance indicators were identified:

	2022	2021
Members Savings movement %	+0.15%	+6.92%
Gross Loan movement %	+6.03%	+5.69%
Regulatory Reserve % of total assets	11.75%	11.75%

The credit union continued to attract additional members' savings during the financial year with member shares having increased marginally from the prior year. Lending activity is continuing to increase strongly with growth of 6.03% in the gross loan book in the financial year indicative of strong loan demand. The credit union continues to maintain regulatory reserves in excess of the regulatory minimum of 10%.

Results for the year and State of Affairs at 30 September 2022

The income and expenditure account and the balance sheet for the year ended 30 September 2022 are set out on pages 26 and 27.

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

The credit union, as with many other financial institutions, continues to face uncertainties arising from the general economic conditions. The board are actively monitoring the effects of these conditions on the daily operations of the credit union.

The principal areas currently requiring risk management include:

- Credit risk: The risk of financial loss arising from a borrower, issuer, guarantor or counterparty that may fail to meet its obligations in accordance with agreed terms. In order to manage this risk the Board approves the credit unions lending policy and all changes to it. All loan applications are assessed with reference to the lending policy in force at the time. Subsequently, loans are regularly reviewed for any factors that may indicate impairment. The Board approves the credit union's credit control policy which monitors the procedures for the collection of loans in arrears and also the basis for impairment on loans.

- Liquidity risk: The risk that a credit union will not be able to fund its current and future expected and unexpected cash outflows as they fall due without incurring significant losses. This may occur even where the credit union is solvent. The credit union's policy is to maintain sufficient funds in liquid form at all times to ensure that it can meet its obligations as they fall due. The objective of the liquidity policy is to smooth the timing between maturing assets and liabilities and to provide a degree of protection against any unexpected developments that may arise.

- Capital risk: Capital is required to act as a cushion to absorb losses arising from business operations and to allow a credit union to remain solvent under challenging conditions. Capital risk arises mainly as a result of the quality or quantity of capital available, the sensitivity of the credit union exposures to external shocks, the level of capital planning and the capital management process. Capital risk could potentially impair a credit union's ability to meet its obligations in an adverse situation. The board manage this risk by ensuring that sufficient reserves are set aside each year to absorb any potential losses.

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- Operational risk: The risk of loss (financial or otherwise) resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes or systems of the credit union; any failure by persons connected with the credit union; legal risk (including exposure to fines, penalties or damages as well as associated legal costs); or external events; but does not include reputational risk. Examples of operational risks include hardware or software failures, cyber risk, inadequate business continuity plans, misuse of confidential information, data entry errors and natural disasters.

- Interest rate risk: The interest rate risk arises from differences between the interest rate exposures on loans and investments receivable, as offset by the cost of capital, which is typically that of distributions to members' payable in the form of dividends and interest rebates. The credit union considers rates of interest receivable when deciding on the appropriation of income and its returns to members. The Board monitors such policy in line with the Credit Union Act, 1997 (as amended) and guidance notes issued by the Central Bank of Ireland.

- Strategy/business model risk: This refers to the risk which credit unions face if they cannot compete effectively or operate a viable business model. Strategy/business model risk also includes the inherent risk in the credit union's strategy. The board have developed and approved a detailed strategic plan to formulate the short term direction of the credit union operations.

Dividends

The directors recommend payment of a dividend of $\notin 25,811.00$ (0.10%) for the year, (2021 - 0.10%) and an interest rebate of $\notin 111,719.00$ (10.00%) for the year. (2021 - 10.00%)

Internal Audit Function

In accordance with Section 76K of the Credit Union Act, 1997 (as amended) the board have appointed an internal audit function to provide for independent internal oversight and to evaluate and improve the effectiveness of the credit union's risk management, internal controls and governance process.

Accounting Records

The Directors believe that they comply with the requirements of Section 108 of the Credit Union Act, 1997 (as amended) with regard to books of account by employing accounting personnel with appropriate expertise and by providing adequate resources to the financial function. The books of account of the credit union are maintained at the credit union's premises at 75/76 Amiens Street, Dublin 1.

Approved by the Board on : 27/10/2022

these A. Maher

Kieran McMahon Member of the Board of Directors

Ken Holland Member of the Board of Directors

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities for the year ended 30 September 2022

The Credit Union Act, 1997 (as amended) requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the credit union and of the income and expenditure of the credit union for that year. In preparing those financial statements the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;

- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the credit union will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the credit union and which enables them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Credit Union Act, 1997 (as amended). They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the credit union and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as the directors are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information (information needed by the credit union's auditor in connection with preparing the auditor's report) of which the credit union's auditor is unaware, and

- the directors have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the credit union's auditor is aware of that information.

On behalf of the credit union :-

these A. Maher

Kieran McMahon Member of the Board of Directors

Ken Holland

Ken Holland Member of the Board of Directors

Statement of Board Oversight Committee's Responsibilities for the year ended 30 September 2022

The Credit Union Act, 1997 (as amended) requires the appointment of a Board Oversight Committee to assess whether the board of directors has operated in accordance with Part IV, Part IVA and any regulations made for the purposes of Part IV or Part IVA of the Credit Union Act, 1997 (as amended) and any other matter prescribed by the Bank in respect of which they are to have regard to in relation to the board.

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Vivianne Fitzpatrick *Member of Board Oversight Committee*

Independent Auditor's Report to the members of Ansac Credit Union Limited

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Ansac Credit Union Limited ('the Credit Union') for the year ended 30 September 2022 which comprise the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Changes in Reserves, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including the summary of significant accounting policies set out on pages 21 - 25. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is Irish Law and FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the Credit Union as at 30 September 2022 and of its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Credit Union Act, 1997 (as amended).

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 below in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the credit union in accordance with 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 Credit Union'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. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Credit Union Act 1997, (as amended).

In our opinion, based solely on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, we report that:

- We have obtained all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, are necessary for the purposes of our audit.
- In our opinion the accounting records of the Credit Union were sufficient to permit the financial statements to be readily and properly audited. In our opinion the financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records.

Respective responsibilities

Responsibilities of directors for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set on page 17, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework that give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

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 further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the IAASA's website at

http://www.iaasa.ie/getmedia/b2389013-1cf6-458b-9b8f-a98202dc9c3a/Description_of_auditors_responsibliities_f or_audit.pdf. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

The purpose of our audit work and to whom we owe our responsibilities

Our report is made solely to the Credit Union's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 120 of the Credit Union Act, 1997 (as amended). Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Credit Union'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 Credit Union and the Credit Union's members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

FMB Advisory Limited

Chartered Accountants

Statutory Audit Firm

DATE :

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Accounting Policies for the year ended 30 September 2022

Statement of Compliance

The financial statements of the credit union for the year ended 30 September 2022 have been prepared on the going concern basis and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in Ireland and Irish statute comprising the Credit Union Act 1997 (as amended) and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued by the Financial Reporting Council.

Basis of Preparation

1. Going Concern

The financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis. The directors believe this is appropriate as the credit union:

- is consistently generating annual surpluses;
- is maintaining appropriate levels of liquidity in excess of minimum legislative requirements; and
- has reserve levels which are significantly above the minimum requirements of the Central Bank.

2. Income Recognition

Income is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the credit union and the revenue can be reliably measured. Income is measured at the fair value of the consideration received. The following criteria must also be met before revenue is recognised:

Interest on Members' Loans

Interest on loans to members is recognised using the effective interest method and is calculated and accrued on a daily basis.

Investment Income

The credit union uses the effective interest method to recognise investment income.

Other Income

Other income such as relating to fee income on budget account transactions, entrance fees and insurance rebates, arise in connection to specific transactions. Income relating to individual transactions is recognised when the transaction is completed.

3. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and loans and advances to banks (i.e. cash deposited with banks) with maturity of less than or equal to three months.

4. Basic Financial Assets

Basic financial assets are initially measured at the transaction price, including transaction costs, and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Basic financial instruments include the following:

Loans to Members

Loans to members are financial assets with fixed or determinable payments. Loans are recognised when cash is advanced to members and measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Loans are derecognised when the right to receive cash flows from the asset have expired, usually when all amounts outstanding have been repaid by the member.

Investments held at Amortised Cost

Investments designated on initial recognition as held at amortised cost are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method less impairment. This means that the investment is measured at the amount paid for the investment, minus any repayments of the principal; plus or minus the cumulative amortisation using the effective interest method of any difference between the amount at initial recognition and the maturity amount; minus, in the case of a financial asset, any reduction for impairment or uncollectability. This effectively spreads out the return on such investments over time, but does take account immediately of any impairment in the value of the investment.

Held to Maturity Investments

Investments designated on initial recognition as held-to-maturity are investments that the credit union intends, and is able to, hold to maturity. These are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The fair value of some investment products will change during their life, but they will have a fixed maturity value at some future date. When designated as held-to-maturity, any change in the fair value during the term of the investment is ignored, with the credit union only accounting for interest received. Gains and losses are recognised in income when the investments are derecognised or impaired, as well as through the amortisation process. Investments intended to be held for an undefined period are not included in this classification

Central Bank Deposits

Credit unions are obliged to maintain certain deposits with the Central Bank. These deposits are technically assets of the credit union but to which the credit union has restricted access. The funds on deposit with the Central Bank attract nominal interest and will not ordinarily be returned to the credit union while it is a going concern. In accordance with the direction of the Central Bank the amounts are shown as current assets and are not subject to impairment reviews.

5. De-recognition of Financial Assets

Financial assets are derecognised only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or when the credit union transfer to another party substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset, or if some significant risks and rewards of ownership are retained but control of the asset has transferred to another party that is able to sell the asset in its entirety to an unrelated party.

In the case of loans to members, loans are derecognised when the right to receive cash flows from the loans have expired, usually when all amounts outstanding have been repaid by the member.

6. Other Receivables

Other receivables such as prepayments are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

7. Other Payables

Other payables are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Other payables are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

8. Tangible Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets comprises items of property, plant and equipment, which are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset.

Deprecation is provided to write off the cost of each item of property, plant and equipment, less its estimated residual value, on a straight line basis over its estimated useful life. The categories of property, plant and equipment are depreciated as follows:

Premises	-	2% Straight Line
Computer equipment	-	33% Straight Line
Fixtures & fittings	-	20% Straight Line

Gains or losses arising on the disposal of an asset are determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and are recognised in the Income and Expenditure account.

At each reporting end date, the credit union reviews the carrying value of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the credit union estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

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

If the recoverable amount of an asset is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in the Income and Expenditure account.

Recognised impairment losses are reversed if, and only if, the reasons for the impairment loss have ceased to apply. Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised immediately in the Income and Expenditure account.

9. Employee Benefits

Pension Costs

The credit union operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the credit union in an independently administered fund. The pension charge

Other Employee Benefits

The costs of short-term employee benefits, including holiday pay, are recognised as a liability and as an expense (unless those costs are required to be recognised as part of the cost of fixed assets) over the period they are earned.

10. Impairment of Members Loans

The credit union assesses, at each balance sheet date, if there is objective evidence that any of its loans to members are impaired. The loans are assessed collectively in groups that share similar credit risk characteristics. Individually significant loans are assessed on a loan by loan basis. In addition, if, during the course of the year, there is objective evidence that any individual loan is impaired, a specific loss will be recognised.

Bad debts/impairment losses are recognised in the Income and Expenditure Account, as the difference between the carrying value of the loan and the net present value of the expected cash flows.

11. Financial Liabilities - Members' Shares and Deposits

Members' shareholdings and deposits are redeemable and therefore are classified as financial liabilities. They are initially recognised at the amount of cash deposited and subsequently measured at the nominal amount.

12. De-recognition of Financial Liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised only when the obligations of the credit union specified in the contract are discharged, cancelled or expired.

13. Dividends and Other Returns to Members

Dividends are made from current year's surplus or a dividend reserve set aside for that purpose. The Board's proposed distribution to members each year is based on the dividend and loan interest rebate policy of the credit union.

The rate of dividend and loan interest rebate recommended by the Board will reflect:

- the risk profile of the credit union, particularly in its loan and investment portfolios;
- the Board's desire to maintain a stable rather than a volatile rate of dividend each year; and
- members' legitimate dividend and loan interest rebate expectations;

all dominated by prudence and the need to sustain the long-term welfare of the credit union.

For this reason the Board will seek to build up its reserves to absorb unexpected shocks and still remain above minimum regulatory requirements.

Final dividends and other returns to members are accounted for as a liability after they are approved by the members in general meeting.

14. Taxation

The credit union is not subject to income tax or corporation tax on its activities as a credit union.

15. Reserves

Retained earnings are the accumulated surpluses to date that have not been declared as dividends returnable to members. The retained earnings are subdivided into realised and unrealised In accordance with the Central 'Bank Guidance Note for Credit Unions on Matters Relating to Accounting for Investments and Distribution Policy'.

Regulatory Reserve

The Credit Union Act 1997 (Regulatory Requirements) Regulations 2016 requires credit unions to establish and maintain a minimum regulatory reserve requirement of at least 10% of the assets of the credit union. This reserve is to be perpetual in nature; freely available to absorb losses; realised financial reserves that are unrestricted and non-distributable. This reserve is similar in nature and replaces the Statutory Reserve which was a requirement of previous legislation.

Operational Risk Reserve

Section 45(5)(a) of the 1997 Act requires each credit union to maintain an additional reserve that it has assessed is required for operational risk having regard to the nature, scale and complexity of the credit union. Credit unions are required to maintain a minimum operational risk reserve having due regard for the sophistication of the business model.

The definition of operational risk is the risk of losses stemming from inadequate or failed internal processes, people and systems or from external events. The directors have considered the requirements of the Act and have considered an approach to calculation of the operational risk reserve based on indicative guidance issued by the Central Bank.

Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 30 September 2022

	2022	2021
Schedule	€	€
INCOME		
Interest on loans 1	1,826,589	1,777,273
Other interest income and similar income 2	39,180	38,646
Net Interest Income	1,865,769	1,815,919
Other income 3	162,454	17,947
Other gains 4	-	-
TOTAL INCOME	2,028,223	1,833,866
EXPENDITURE		
Salaries	494,189	471,151
Other management expenses 5	735,313	681,287
Depreciation	78,140	79,337
Property impairment	-	(85,899)
Bad debts provision	110,684	(131,000)
Bad debts recovered	(57,242)	(54,432)
Bad debts written off	111,347	139,416
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	1,472,431	1,099,860
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR	555,792	734,006
Other comprehensive income	-	-
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	555,792	734,006

On behalf of the Credit Union :-

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Kieran McMahon Member of Board of Directors

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Vivianne Fitzpatrick Member of the Board Oversight Committee

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The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2022

as at 50 September 2022		2022	2021
	Note	€	€
ASSETS		-	-
Cash and cash equivalents	7	2,705,535	4,003,148
Investments	8	8,972,627	8,336,150
Loans	9	20,747,591	19,567,748
Less provision for bad debts	12	(481,684)	(371,000)
Tangible fixed assets	13	1,086,110	1,124,776
Debtors, prepayments and accrued income	14	131,288	99,090
TOTAL ASSETS		33,161,467	32,759,912
LIABILITIES			
Members' shares	15	25,713,625	25,674,200
Budget accounts	16	528,482	589,842
Other liabilities, creditors, accruals and charges	17	143,003	127,620
TOTAL LIABILITIES		26,385,110	26,391,662
RESERVES			
Regulatory reserve	19	3,897,148	3,849,290
Operational risk reserve	19	136,000	136,000
Other reserves			
- Realised reserves	19	2,636,128	2,275,879
- Unrealised reserves	19	107,081	107,081
TOTAL RESERVES		6,776,357	6,368,250
		33,161,467	32,759,912

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the year ended 30 September 2022	Ope	Regulatory	Reserve	£	cening balance at 1 October 2020 3,557,589	tal comprehensive income	ansfer between reserves 291,701	osing balance at 30 September 2021 3,849,290	tal comprehensive income	vidend paid	erest rebate paid	ansfer between reserves 47,858	osing balance at 30 September 2022
	Operational	Risk Undistributed Bad Debt Dividend	Reserve Surplus	e	136,000 1,383,574	734,006	- 158,299	136,000 2,275,879	555,792	(24,955)	(122,	- (347,858)	136,000 2,336,128
		ted Bad Debt	olus Reserve	e	574 150,000	006	299 (150,000)	879 -	792	955)	730)		128
		Dividend	Reserve	e	300,000		(300,000)	'				ı	
Property	Relocation &	Development	Reserve	e	ı		ı	'				300,000	300,000
		Special	Reserve	£	107,081		1	107,081				ı	107,081
		Total	Reserves	e	5,634,244	734,006	,	6,368,250	555,792	(24,955)	(122, 730)	ı	6,776,357

e balance on the regulatory reserve represents 11.75% of total assets as at 30 September 2022 (11.75% as at 30 September 2021).

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Cash Flow Statement for the year ended 30 September 2022

for the year children bo september 2022	Nata	2022	2021
	Note	€	€
Opening cash and cash equivalents		4,003,148	2,066,762
Cash flows from operating activities			
Loans repaid		9,554,340	9,316,385
Loans granted		(10,845,530)	(10,508,532)
Loan interest received		1,822,100	1,800,279
Investments interest received		39,030	30,494
Bad debts recovered		57,242	54,432
Dividends paid		(24,955)	-
Interest rebate paid		(122,730)	-
Operating expenses		(1,229,502)	(1,152,438)
Net cash flows from operating activities		(750,005)	(459,380)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Fixed assets purchased		(39,474)	(34,014)
Net cash flow from investments		(636,477)	658,228
Net cash flows from investing activities		(675,951)	624,214
Cash flows from financing activities			
Members' shares received		14,889,211	14,178,689
Members' budget account paid in		3,146,272	3,319,715
Members' shares withdrawn		(14,849,786)	(12,515,983)
Members' budget account withdrawn		(3,207,632)	(3,276,236)
Net cash flows from financing activities		(21,935)	1,706,185
Other			
Other receipts		162,454	17,947
Decrease/(Increase) in prepayments		(27,559)	5,053
(Increase)/Decrease in other liabilities		15,383	42,367
		150,278	65,367
Closing cash and cash equivalents	7	2,705,535	4,003,148
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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 September 2022

1. General Information

Ansac Credit Union Limited is a credit union incorporated under the Credit Union Act 1997 (as amended) in the Republic of Ireland. Ansac Credit Union Limited is registered with the Registrar of Credit Unions and is regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland. The financial statements have been presented in Euro (€) which is also the functional currency of the credit union.

2. Use of Estimates and Judgements

The preparation of financial statements requires the use of certain accounting estimates. It also requires the Directors to exercise judgement in applying the credit union's accounting policies. The areas requiring a higher degree of judgement, or complexity, and areas where assumptions or estimates are most significant to the financial statements are disclosed below:

Bad debts/Impairment losses on loans to members

The credit union's accounting policy for impairment of financial assets is set out in accounting policies on pages 21 - 25 of the financial statements. The estimation of loan losses is inherently uncertain and depends upon many factors, including loan loss trends, credit risk characteristics in loan classes, local and international economic climates, conditions in various sectors of the economy to which the credit union is exposed, and, other external factors such as legal and regulatory requirements.

Credit risk is identified, assessed and measured through the use of rating and scoring tools with emphasis on weeks in arrears and other observable credit risk metrics as identified by the credit union. The ratings influence the management of individual loans. The credit rating triggers the impairment assessment and if relevant the raising of specific provisions on individual loans where there is doubt about their recoverability.

Loan loss provisioning is monitored by the credit union, and the credit union assesses and approves its provisions and provision adequacy on a quarterly basis. Key assumptions underpinning the credit union's estimates of collective provisions for loans with similar credit risk characteristics, and, Incurred But Not Reported provisions ("IBNR") are based on the historical experiences of the credit union allied to the credit union's judgement of relevant conditions in the wider technological, market, economic or legal environment in which the credit union currently operates which impact on current lending activity and loan underwriting. If a loan is impaired, the impairment loss is the difference between the carrying amount of the loan and the present value of the expected cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate taking account of pledged shares and other security as appropriate. Assumptions are back tested with the benefit of experience. After a period of time, when it is concluded that there is no real prospect of recovery of loans/part of loans which have been subjected to a specific provision, the credit union writes off that amount of the loan deemed irrecoverable against the specific provision held against the loan.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 September 2022

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3. Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly numbers of employees during the year were:

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9 471,151
9 44,104
8 515,255

3.1. Key Management Personnel Compensation

The Directors of Ansac Credit Union Limited are all unpaid volunteers. The key management team for Ansac Credit Union Limited would include the directors, the credit union manager and other senior staff members. The number of key management for the financial year to 30 September 2022 amount to 14 (2021 - 14).

		2022	2021
		€	€
	Short term employee benefits paid to key management	214,891	205,699
	Payments to defined contribution pension schemes	18,940	17,916
		233,831	223,615
4.	Pension Costs Pension costs amounted to €35,689 (2021 - €44,104).		
5.	Analysis of Investment Income	2022	2021
		€	€
	Received during the year	2,684	2,117
	Receivable within 12 months	36,497	36,529
	Other investment income	-	-
		39,181	38,646

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 September 2022

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6 Exceptional Income - SPS Refund

Included in Other Income in the Income and Expenditure accounts is an amount of €137,737 which relates to a refund received by the credit union from the Irish League of Credit Unions 'Stabilisation Protection Scheme'. This refund arose as a result of a decision taken by the board of Irish League of Credit Unions in April 2022 to make payments to all affiliated credit unions on a proportionate basis linked to their asset size. The credit union's board of directors do not believe that similar income is receivable in future.

7.	Cash & Cash Equivalents	2022	2021
		€	€
	Cash and bank balances	1,416,253	1,308,044
	Short term deposits	1,289,282	2,695,104
		2,705,535	4,003,148

Short term deposits are deposits with maturity of less than or equal to three months. All other deposits are included in Investments in the Balance sheet and disclosed in note 8.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 September 2022

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8.	Investments	2022 €	2021 €
	Investments are classified as follows:		
	Fixed term deposits maturing after 3 months	2,700,000	3,100,033
	Deposit Protection Account	276,106	726,106
	Investment bonds	5,996,521	4,510,011
		8,972,627	8,336,150

The cumulative market valuation of the investment bonds held by the credit union at 30 September 2022 amounts to €5,574,421. The Directors have confirmed that they are satisfied that all fixed term investments will be held to maturity and therefore the recognition of an impairment is not required.

The categories of counterparties with whom the investments are held is as follows: -

	2022	2021
	€	€
A1	3,590,879	2,371,103
A2	2,200,000	4,340,541
A3	1,500,000	1,500,000
Baa1	1,750,000	750,000
Baa2	1,221,030	2,069,610
	10,261,909	11,031,254

The split of investments by rating above includes short-term deposits products as disclosed in Note 7 to the financial statements.

9.	Loans to Members	2022	2021
		€	€
	Opening Balance at 1 October	19,567,748	18,515,017
	Loans granted	10,845,530	10,508,532
	Loans repaid	(9,554,340)	(9,316,385)
	Loans written off	(111,347)	(139,416)
	Gross Loan Balance at 30 September	20,747,591	19,567,748
	Impairment allowances		
	Individual loans	(214,407)	(132,036)
	Groups of loans	(267,277)	(238,964)
	Loan provision	(481,684)	(371,000)
	Net loans as at 30 September	20,265,907	19,196,748

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 September 2022

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10. Analysis of Gross Loans Outstanding

j	2022		20	21
	No.	€	No.	€
Less than one year	472	679,354	415	627,320
Greater than 1 year and less than 3 years	976	4,740,448	917	4,497,034
Greater than 3 years and less than 5 years	1,041	11,694,952	994	11,281,337
Greater than 5 years and less than 10 years	140	3,632,837	115	3,162,057
Greater than 10 years and less than 25 years	-	-	-	-
Greater than 25 years	-	-	-	-
Total Gross Loans	2,629	20,747,591	2,441	19,567,748

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 September 2022

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11. Credit Risk Disclosures

Ansac Credit Union Limited does not offer mortgages and as a result all loans to members are unsecured, except that there are restrictions on the extent to which borrowers may withdraw their savings whilst loans are outstanding. There are maximum amounts set down by the Central Bank in terms of what amount a member can borrow from the credit union.

The carrying amount of the loans to members represents the credit union's maximum exposure to credit risk. The following table provides information on the credit quality of loan repayments. Where loans are not impaired it is expected that the amounts repayable will be received in full.

	2022		2021	
	€	%	€	%
Gross Loans Not Impaired	19,548,594	94.22%	19,223,701	98.24%
Gross Loans Impaired				
Up to 9 weeks past due	1,047,508	5.05%	284,790	1.46%
Between 10 and 18 weeks past due	41,582	0.20%	18,341	0.09%
Between 19 and 26 weeks past due	47,700	0.23%	-	-%
Between 27 and 39 weeks past due	60,065	0.29%	9,018	0.05%
Between 40 and 52 weeks past due	-	-%	8,425	0.04%
53 or more weeks past due	2,142	0.01%	23,473	0.12%
	1,198,997	5.78%	344,047	1.76%
Total Gross Loans	20,747,591	100.00%	19,567,748	100.00%
Impairment Allowance				
Individual loans	(214,407)		(132,036)	
Collectively assessed loans	(267,277)		(238,964)	
Loan provision	(481,684)		(371,000)	
Net loans as at 30 September	20,265,907		19,196,748	

Factors that are considered in determining whether loans are impaired are discussed in Note 2, dealing with estimates.

12.	Loan Provision Account for Impairment Losses	2022	2021
		€	€
	Opening balance 1 October	371,000	502,000
	Net movement during the year	222,031	8,466
	Decrease as a result of loan write offs previously provided for	(111,347)	(139,466)
	Closing provision balance 30 September	481,684	371,000

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13. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Premises	Computer equipment	Fixtures & fittings	Total
	€	€	€	€
Cost				
At 1 October 2021	1,628,754	219,778	336,705	2,185,237
Additions	-	8,654	30,820	39,474
At 30 September 2022	1,628,754	228,432	367,525	2,224,711
Depreciation				
At 1 October 2021	608,754	160,209	291,498	1,060,461
Charge for the year	20,400	36,779	20,961	78,140
At 30 September 2022	629,154	196,988	312,459	1,138,601
Net book values				
At 30 September 2022	999,600	31,444	55,066	1,086,110
At 30 September 2021	1,020,000	59,569	45,207	1,124,776

An independent valuation of the credit union's premises was carried out by Fee & Associates Auctioneers on 28 September 2021 which valued the premises at \notin 1,020,000. The directors are satisfied that this valuation received from Fee & Associates Auctioneers for the property is not less than the carrying value and therefore no impairment charge arises.

14. Prepayments and Accrued Income

	2022	2021
	€	€
Prepayments	74,322	46,763
Accrued income	38,822	38,672
Member Loan interest receivable	18,144	13,655
	131,288	99,090
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15.	Members' Shares	2022 €	2021 €
	Opening Balance at 1 October	25,674,200	24,011,494
	Shares paid in	14,889,211	14,178,689
	Shares withdrawn	(14,849,786)	(12,515,983)
	Closing Balance at 30 September	25,713,625	25,674,200

Members' shares are repayable on demand except for shares attached to loans. The breakdown of the shares between attached and unattached is as follows:

		€	€
	Unattached Shares	21,403,200	20,824,573
	Attached Shares	4,310,425	4,849,627
		25,713,625	25,674,200
16.	Members' Budget Accounts	2022	2021
		€	€
	Opening balance 1 October	589,842	546,363
	Received during the year	3,146,272	3,319,715
	Paid out during the year	(3,207,632)	(3,276,236)
	Closing balance 30 September	528,482	589,842
	Budget accounts are repayable on demand.		
17.	Other Liabilities and Charges	2022	2021
		€	€
	PAYE/PRSI control account	13,168	13,118
	Members draw	26,482	8,114
	Accruals	103,353	106,388
		143,003	127,620

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 September 2022

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18. Additional Financial Instruments Disclosures 1. Financial risk management

Ansac Credit Union Limited manages its members' shares and loans to members so that it earns income from the margin between interest receivable and interest payable. The main financial risks arising from the credit union's activities are credit risk, liquidity risk and interest rate risk. The Board reviews and agrees policies for managing each of these risks, which are summarised below.

Credit risk: Credit risk is the risk that a borrower will default on their contractual obligations relating to repayments to Ansac Credit Union Limited, resulting in financial loss to the credit union. In order to manage this risk the Board approves the credit union's lending policy, and all changes to it. All loan applications are assessed with reference to the lending policy in force at the time. Subsequently loans are regularly reviewed for any factors that may indicate that the likelihood of repayment has changed.

Liquidity risk: The credit union's policy is to maintain sufficient funds in liquid form at all times to ensure that it can meet its liabilities as they fall due. The credit union adheres on an ongoing basis to the minimum liquidity ratio and minimum short term liquidity ratio as set out in the Credit Union Act 1997 (Regulatory Requirements) Regulations 2016.

Market risk: Market risk is generally comprised of interest rate risk, currency risk and other price risk. Ansac Credit Union Limited conducts all its transactions in Euro and does not deal in derivatives or commodity markets. Therefore the credit union is not exposed to any form of currency risk or other price risk.

Interest rate risk: The credit union's main interest rate risk arises from differences between the interest rate exposures on the receivables and payables that form an integral part of a credit union's operations. The credit union considers rates of interest receivable on investments and members' loans when deciding on the dividend rate payable on shares and on any loan interest rebate.

Capital risk - The credit union maintains sufficient reserves to buffer against losses on members' loan and investments. The current Regulatory Reserve is in excess of the minimum level set down by the Central Bank of Ireland, and stands at 11.75% of total assets of the credit union at the balance sheet date.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 September 2022

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2. Interest rate risk disclosures

The following table shows the average interest rates applicable to relevant financial assets and financial liabilities

	2022	2022	2021	2021
		Average		Average
	Amount	Interest	Amount	Interest
Financial Assets	€	Rate	€	Rate
Loans to members	20,747,591	9.88%	19,567,748	10.26%

The dividend payable is at the discretion of the Directors and is therefore not a financial liability of the credit union until declared and approved at the AGM.

3. Liquidity risk disclosures

All of the financial liabilities of the credit union are repayable on demand except for some members' shares attached to loans and members' deposits which have a fixed maturity date.

4. Fair value of financial instruments

Ansac Credit Union Limited does not hold any financial instruments at fair value.

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19. Total Reserves

	Dividend and A	Appropriation	Transfers	
Balance 01/10/21	loan interest rebate paid	of current year surplus	between reserves	Balance 30/09/22
€	€	€	€	€
3,849,290		-	47,858	3,897,148
136,000		-	-	136,000
0 000 000		555 500	(245.050)	0.006.100
2,275,879	(147,685)	555,792		2,336,128
-		-	300,000	300,000
6,261,169	(147,685)	555,792		6,669,276
107,081			-	107,081
107,081				107,081
6,368,250	(147,685)	555,792	-	6,776,357
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The credit union is required to maintain a Regulatory Reserve that support the credit union's operations, provide a base for future growth and protect against the risk of unforeseen losses. The credit union needs to maintain sufficient reserves to ensure continuity and to protect members' savings. The Central Bank expects that credit unions whose total regulatory reserves are currently in excess of 10 per cent of total assets will continue to maintain reserves at existing levels on the basis that these continue to reflect the board of directors' assessment of the appropriate level of reserves for the credit union.

The balance on the regulatory reserve represents 11.75% of total assets as at 30 September 2022 (11.75% as at 30 September 2021).

An operational risk reserve has been calculated, based on an assessment by the board of the predicted impact on the business of the credit union, of the occurrence of a material operational risk event. The balance on the operational risk reserve represents 0.41% of total assets as at 30 September 2022.

Special reserve represents the share balances of members no longer active in the credit union. They are held in special reserve until such time as they are claimed or can be legally taken to general reserve.

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20. Dividends, Loan Interest Rebate and Other Returns to Members

The directors recommend the following distributions:

	2022		2021	
	Rate %	€	Rate %	€
Dividend on shares	0.10%	25,811	0.10%	24,955
Loan interest rebate	10.00%	111,719	10.00%	163,825

In accordance with FRS102 "Events after the End of the Reporting Period", dividends and returns to members are accounted for in the financial statements after they are approved by the members in general meeting.

A proposed interest rebate on standard rate and secured loans of 10% was approved at the 2021 Annual General Meeting and the monetary value of this rebate included in the financial statements was \notin 163,825. However, in conjunction with the processing of the interest rebate payment to members, it was identified that the original note disclosure was in error and the amount paid of \notin 122,730 comprises the full value of the 10% rebate approved.

The returns to members paid in the current and prior year periods were as follows:

	2022	2021
	€	€
Dividend paid during the year	24,955	-
Dividend rate	0.10%	
Loan interest rebate paid during the year	122,730	
Loan interest rebate rate	10.00%	

21. Rate of Interest Charged on Members' Loans

The credit union currently charge interest on outstanding loan balances to members, as follows:

Standard rate	11.95%
Secured loan	7.90%
Car Loan	6.20%
Home Renovation	6.95%
Debt Consolidation Loan	9.90%
Welcome Loan	6.90%

22. Post Balance Sheet Events

There are no material events after the Balance Sheet date to disclose.

23. Contingent Liabilities

All capital invested in fixed term deposits and accounts in authorised credit institutions is guaranteed only if held to maturity. In the unlikely event of early encashment, the credit union may be subject to losses on the capital guaranteed amounts and also early settlement penalties. The board of directors have confirmed that the associated investments are to be held until their maturity date.

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24. Capital Commitments

There were no capital commitments either contracted for or approved by the Board at the year end.

25. Insurance Against Fraud

The credit union has insurance against fraud in the amount of €2,600,000 in compliance with Section 47 of the Credit Union Act, 1997 (as amended).

26. Related Party Transactions

The credit union has identified the following transactions which are required to be disclosed under the terms of FRS102 'Related Party Disclosures'.

During the year the credit union re-imbursed travel and subsistence expenses to members of the board of directors and the board oversight committee amounting to \notin 36,926 (\notin 20,377 - 2021).

The following details relate to officers and related party accounts with the credit union. Related parties include the board of directors and the management team of the credit union, their family members or any business in which the director or management team had a significant shareholding.

	No. of loans	2022 €	2021 €
Total savings held by related parties		169,754	177,662
Total loans outstanding by related parties % of gross loan book	11	121,346 0.58%	133,753 0.68%
Loans advanced to related parties during the year	6	39,000	
Total provisions for loan outstanding to related parties at year e	nd	-	
Total provision charge during the year for loans outstanding to	related parties	-	

27. Authorisation and Approval of Financial Statements

The board of directors authorised and approved these financial statements for issue on 27/10/2022.

Additional Information (not forming part of the statutory audited Financial Statements) for the year ended 30 September 2022

Schedule 1. Interest on Loans

	2022 €	2021 €
Loan interest received	1,822,100	1,800,279
Loan interest receivable	4,489	(23,006)
Total per Income and Expenditure Account	1,826,589	1,777,273
Schedule 2. Other Interest Income and Similar Income		
	2022	2021
	€	€
Investment income	57,672	57,659
Amortisation of bonds	(18,492)	(19,013)
Total per Income and Expenditure Account	39,180	38,646
Schedule 3. Other Income		
Schedule Dr. Other Income	2022	2021
	€	€
Entrance fees	329	311
E.C.C.U. rebate	18,923	12,047
Other income including budget account fees	5,465	5,589
SPS refund	137,737	
Total per Income and Expenditure Account	162,454	17,947
Schedule 4. Other Gains		
	2022	2021
	€	€
Total per Income and Expenditure Account		
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Additional Information (not forming part of the statutory audited Financial Statements) for the year ended 30 September 2022

Schedule 5. Other Management Expenses

5 1	2022	2021
	€	€
Staff pension costs	35,689	44,104
E.C.C.U. Insurance	113,938	115,458
Rates	7,172	5,272
General insurance	22,123	18,887
Light and heat	10,727	5,590
Repairs and maintenance	41,328	34,275
Security	1,506	2,423
Data Protection	19,926	19,691
Printing, postage and stationery	17,367	14,847
Advertising	32,268	24,135
Telephone	8,745	7,306
Computer costs	128,987	114,537
Travelling and subsistence	36,926	20,377
Legal, professional and regulation fees	159,007	105,906
Audit	19,647	18,276
Bank charges	21,560	34,574
General expenses	10,801	5,872
Affiliation fees	11,359	52,609
Training and Education	18,570	13,001
Subscriptions & Donations	10,375	7,350
AGM expenses	7,292	16,797
Total per Income and Expenditure Account	735,313	681,287
Schedule 6. Other Losses		
	2022	2021
	€	€
Total per Income and Expenditure Account		
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Board Oversight Committee Report



The Board Oversight Committee (B.O.C.) is pleased to submit its annual report to you the members of ANSAC Credit Union.

The Board Oversight Committee – what we do.

It is our task to ensure that the Board of Directors of ANSAC performs the functions as laid down in Part IV of the amended 1997 Credit Union Act and according to good corporate governance practice.

And while the Credit Union movement faces many challenges in terms of realising its global mission and meeting the expectations of shareholders, the robust system of governance laid down by the Credit Union Act, coupled with effective strategic direction from the Boards of individual credit unions ensure success.

To fulfil their roles, the Board of Directors of Credit Unions must have well recognised structures and operating procedures in place, cultivate a culture of good governance, and a commitment to continuous improvement.

Assessing your Boards performance

When assessing the performance of ANSACs Board of Directors, the Board Oversight Committee looked at their main responsibilities, which include:

- the formulation and implementation of strategy
- risk assessment and
- ensuring that effective management & procedures are in place.

To assist with our assessment, we were represented at monthly Board and other relevant meetings including those of the Audit, Risk & Compliance Committee, Credit Committee and Nominations Committee.

We also met monthly as a committee and had numerous meetings with the ANSAC Management Team. At these monthly meetings, we discussed performance and governance issues as required.

Members of our committee participated in various training modules as was appropriate throughout the year.

Outcome of our assessments

We're pleased to report to you that in our opinion the Board of Directors has been compliant in their legal and regulatory requirements during the financial year up to the 30th of September 2022.

Welcome to our newest committee member

We co-opted and welcomed Patrick Barrett onto the Board Oversight Committee following the resignation of David Kerin in April 2022. We wish David all the best in his future endeavours and thank him for his work and commitment to the B.O.C. and to ANSAC.

Our congratulations to the Board and Management

We congratulate the Board of Directors and Management on initiatives undertaken on behalf of the Credit Union and its members during this year. They've done excellent work overall to ensure the smooth operation of ANSAC Credit Union while complying with the Credit Union Act 2012 and as such must be commended.

The cooperation between the Board of Directors and the Board Oversight Committee is noted and appreciated. We also thank the C.E.O., Management and staff for their courtesy and facilitation over the past year.

Vanessa Fox (Chairperson), David Butler, Vivianne Fitzpatrick, Sarah Walshe,

Patrick Barrett.

Board Oversight Committee

Credit Committee Report

The Credit Committee - what we do

The Credit Committee is appointed annually by our Board of Directors to endeavour to ensure that approval of loans is in accordance with our Lending Policy. Meetings are held on a monthly basis and the committee reports monthly to the board.

Another successful year

I'm delighted to report to you, our members, that ANSAC Credit Union Ltd has had another successful year approving 94% of loan applications. We issued over €10,500,000 million in loans to our members with a visible shift in loan purpose compared to previous years. The following is a breakdown of the most popular loan types issued:

- Transport Purchase / Repairs €3,833,305.12 accounting for 21% of all loans issued.
- Home Improvement €1,525,618.77 accounting for 15% of all loans issued.
- Holidays €557,813.31 accounting for 10% of all loans issued.
- Christmas €369,270 accounting for 9% of all loans issued.
- Welcome Loan €857,650 accounting for 7% of all loans issued.

It's also worth noting that the Holiday Loan product has returned following all the disruption of Covid, and is performing well with over €550,000 worth of these loans issued.

We're also very pleased to report that over €260,000 was issued in PMAS loans as we continue to provide the funding model for this excellent scheme.



Switch & save

We're equally pleased to share that we currently have a sale on up until the end of March where you can swap an external large loan across to us, provided the loan is between €20,000 and €75,000, and get our fantastic rate of 4.88% (5% APR). This means you could save hundreds if not thousands on the cost of your pre-existing loan. For illustrative purposes, below we show how much could be saved by switching a loan balance of €50,000 with a remaining term of 7 years across to us:

Provider	Rate	Total repayments	Total repayments if you switched to our ANSAC sale rate of 4.88% (5% APR)	Total potential savings
Bank of Ireland Home Improvement Loan	6.8% APR variable	€62,497.68	€59,362.42	€3,135.26
Permanent tsb Home Improvement Loan	8.2% APR variable	€65,253.05	€59,362.42	€5,890.63
AIB Home Improvement Loan	8.95% APR variable	€66,700.20	€59,362.42	€7,337.78

We also remind that you can switch other external loans across to us too, such as a car loan to get our highly competitive 6.2% Car Loan rate. Please contact us on 018554489 for advice on switching.

Equally, you'll find our loan calculator here: <u>www.ansaccu.ie/loancalulator</u> or you can apply via your online banking or the ANSAC App 24/7.

And if you don't know your pin to access your online banking, please don't hesitate to call us on 018554489.

I would also like to thank Brendan Healy for all his work as he has stepped down from the Committee this year.

Rachel Kearns, John Murray, and Tomas Collins.

Credit Committee

Rule Amends as proposed on the 20th January 2023

'That the Rules of ANSAC Credit Union Limited are hereby amended in Rule 5(1) by the insertion of the following: (viii) "the provision of the following additional service by the credit union to the members subject to the prior approval of the Registrar of Credit Unions and any other permissions or licences that may be required by law: Member Personal Current Account Services (MPCAS)"

Nominations Committee Report



The Nomination Committee comprises of Philip Moore (Chairman), Richard McCausland and Ken Holland.

It's my privilege as Chairman of the Nominations Committee to present the following report to you, our members.

Nominations Committee - what we do.

The Nomination Committee meets monthly to perform our tasks and directions set out under the Credit Union Act 2012 and we submit a report to the Board of Director's monthly meeting.

Our primary function is to ensure that the skills, knowledge and expertise required to run our credit union successfully and judiciously are held by your Board of Directors (BOD) and across our various committees which include, The Strategic and Complaints Committee, The Membership Committee, The Credit Committee, the Credit Control Committee, The Investment Committee, The Renumeration Committee and The Audit, Risk & Compliance Committee. Appointment of the Nominations Committee takes place annually at the inaugural meeting following our Annual General Meeting (AGM).

The new Fitness & Probity and Financial Soundness Regime has been in operation since 2013, and ANSAC is compliant with both this and The Credit Union and Co-operation with Overseas Regulators Act 2012, Section 56(b) (5) which states:

"Every candidate to be nominated for appointment as a member of the board of directors of a credit union shall be proposed through the nomination committee of the credit union. No person shall otherwise be put forward for election or seek election at an annual general meeting or special general meeting of the credit union at which an election is held for members of the Board of Directors".

We pride ourselves as a committee on the level of diligence and scrutiny that goes into attracting quality candidates for all vacancies that arise within The Board of Directors, The Board Oversight Committee (BOC), various subcommittees and barrack based representative roles. All of these roles are very rewarding from a personal development and growth perspective and it's through the vision and dedication of our Directors, Board Oversight Committee and volunteers that we continue to make a huge impact on the success of our Credit Union.

During 2022, The Nominations Committee carried out a Training Needs Analysis of the BOD and BOC. We, the Committee, noted that Directors and BOC members required training in Risk and Strategy. As a result, a training day was organised on the 1st of October in which Directors and BOC members carried out training in Risk, Strategy, GDPR, Ethics, Data Protection, AML/CTF, Governance and Internal Audit. The Nominations Committee also reviewed our Succession Plan.

We carried out a meeting with our various Reps throughout the Defence Forces, in conjunction with our Marketing Officer in ANSAC on 20 September. We gave them a brief on what happens at our BOD meeting and what it's like to be a Board Member with a view to them stepping up to various Committees/becoming a Director for ANSAC.

The feedback that we got from this meeting was very positive and due to the hard work of our Marketing Officer, Miriam, we, the committee, can say that our Volunteer Programme is now in a healthy place. A special word of thanks should also go to my committee members, Ricky and Ken, for all their hard work throughout the year.

Notice of Elections

Elections will be held at the AGM to fill 6 vacancies on the Board of Directors and 2 vacancies on The Board Oversight Committee and for the position of Auditor. During the course of the year the Nominations Committee identified candidates to stand for the above positions and they have been assessed under the fitness & probity regime, as required by the Central Bank, with satisfactory results.

Following this, there are 8 candidates standing for the 6 vacancies on the Board of Directors. And there are 4 candidates standing for the 2 vacancies on the Board Oversight Committee.

Becoming a volunteer

To conclude my report, to any member reading this, who would be interested in standing for the Board of Directors and wishes to be considered for our Volunteer Programme in 2023 please contact the Nominations Committee at info@ansaccu.ie.

Philip Moore

Chairman of Nominations Committee

Credit Control Committee Report

The Credit Control Committee - what we do

The Credit Control Committee has responsibility for monitoring the repayments on loans to ensure that adequate procedures are in place to deal with those cases that fall into arrears.

The objective of our committee is to minimize the risk to the loan assets of the credit union by adopting a quick and intelligent response to loan arrears.

Due to Brexit, the war in Ukraine, and the resulting cost of living crisis across the European Union, the committee recognizes that there'll be situations of financial hardship for some of our members making it difficult for them to meet their financial obligations.

In such cases, we'll work with these individuals to develop an appropriate repayment plan to assist them as best we possibly can. We encourage any members experiencing a change in their financial circumstances to contact us so that we can work with you.

Credit Control Officer

The Credit Control Officer is responsible for the day-to-day operation of Credit Control and will speak to the members about their accounts, liaise with our legal advisers and continuously monitor the loan accounts for signs of stress. The Credit Control Committee then meets once a month to review all that has happened during the previous month and go through all the accounts in arrears.

Financial year ending 30 /09/22	Financial year ending 30/09/21
Loans written off € 111,346.74	Loans written off € 139,415.57

The provision for bad debts (Money put aside to allow for loans that may not be repaid) amounted to \notin 481,684 at the end of the financial year, 30/9/2022. Last year the bad debt provision amounted to \notin 371,000. We continue to review our policy during the financial period and are satisfied that it continues to protect the interest of the credit union and that it also complies with the expected standards as set out by the Financial Regulator.

On behalf of the committee, I wish to thank Alison and Lorna for their continuous support and assistance to the committee. I would also like to personally thank all the committee members involved throughout the year.

Kind Regards

Robbie Moore

Chairman Credit Control Committee

Membership Committee Report

The Membership Committee - what we do

The Membership Committee meets once a month to ensure we keep track of how the Credit Union is performing in relation to acquisition and retention of members and the processes surrounding these activities. All of which are driven by our principal Member Service Officer, Rachel Kearns, who many of you will have built up a good relationship over time given her long standing tenure with ANSAC.

New joiners during the financial year

It gives the committee great pleasure to have welcomed 263 brand new members during the last financial year. This being a mix of serving personnel and their family members.

You don't have to close your ANSAC account when you retire



We also welcomed back 57 members who had closed their account in the past. In many of these cases the member in

question had mistakenly thought that upon retirement from the Defence Forces, they had to close their ANSAC account too. However, this isn't the case and we're always delighted to welcome veterans back into the ANSAC community.

Discounted loans

Our 6.9% Welcome Loan and 6.2% Car Loan can be of great benefit to family members who are looking to get an affordable loan. So please do let those who live with you, be they your partner, adult children or parents that they too can join us and benefit from these excellent rates.

Our extra thanks

The committee wishes to express its particular thanks to our Barrack Representatives who've helped us out enormously this past year. These are our volunteers in bases and barracks around the country who help us stay better connected to our members and learn what's happening locally. In particular, they play an invaluable role in recruiting new ANSAC members by delivering our 'About ANSAC' presentation to new members of the Defence Force so that this audience is aware the service is available to them.



A gift for new-borns!

We're still running our 'New-born promotion.' Under this, any account that is opened for a minor up to 2 years of age, will receive a €20 lodgement to kick start their savings. They're never too young to start saving after all!

And lastly, but certainly not least, it's with great sadness that we pass on our condolences to the families of our members who passed away during the year.

Miriam Spelman,

Membership Committee Chairperson

The Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee Report

The Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee – what we do

The Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee of ANSAC Credit Union is currently made up of Charlie Haughey (*Chairman*), John Murray, (*Secretary*) and Aidan Redican, (*working member*). During the year under review, (Oct 2021-Sept 2022) the committee met on twelve occasions, (ten at ANSAC HQ and two meetings by Teams) as laid down under ANSAC policy and agreed terms of reference.

The committee is tasked with providing a monthly report to the Board of Directors in respect of Audit, Risk and Compliance within ANSAC Credit Union. This ensures that the Board of ANSAC Credit Union is provided with the most up to date information from the committee's deliberations on Audit, Risk, and Compliance.

Internal Audit Function

The purpose of the Internal Audit Function is to provide for internal oversight and to both evaluate and improve the effectiveness of ANSAC's risk management, internal controls, and governance processes. The Internal Audit Function is an independent function from the credit union and conducts its functions as a separate entity.

ANSAC outsources the Internal Audit Function to RBK who, report to the ARC Committee quarterly. Any issues identified in these reports are tasked to relevant personnel or committee to action. All committees, over the period, have seen an increase in workload as a result of Risk & Compliance obligations throughout the credit union movement. Any issues raised by committees are routed through the audit committee and passed to the internal Audit function for attention and necessary action.

All taskings issued by the committee during the period under review were dealt with in a proficient and timely manner.

Monitoring risk

The Risk Management Plan is in place to ensure that all areas within the Credit Union are documented, tested and fully assessed to provide the Board and C.E.O. assurances that ANSAC Credit Union is compliant with all legislative obligations and best practice within risk management.

The biggest risk which has loomed large during the year was and continues to be Cyber Security. Since the cyber-attack on the HSE, all firms have had to look closely at their own operations. ANSAC have conducted a comprehensive risk check on all its computerised hardware and software and upgraded systems where necessary. Enhanced training has also been conducted monthly with staff and volunteers alike.

The war in Ukraine has continued to cast uncertainty on all international economies. Measures at government level have already been implemented to alleviate the difficulties with fuel and energy prices. The committee continue to monitor its effect on our membership going forward.

Other risks which loomed large during the period and were assessed were the continuing issues with the Northern Ireland Protocol as a result of Brexit. The committee continues to monitor risk on an ongoing basis.

The effects of Covid 19 remain in the community and ANSAC continues to adhere to best practices and procedures to prevent its spread.

ANSAC outsources Risk & Compliance to WDA. As part of the monthly risk and compliance report, risks are monitored and evaluated by a scoring system which allows procedures to be put in place to mitigate the risk to the Credit Union. All risks identified by ANSAC are compiled in a risk register which are monitored on an ongoing basis with a scoring system in place increasing or fluctuating depending on the level or risk at any given time. Even risks that have already been closed in the past are monitored to ensure the effects are mitigated should they re-surface.

The risk management and compliance policies are monitored and updated at least annually or as required. The committee also reviewed their terms of reference which is required at least annually.

With Audit, Risk and Compliance being very much intertwined, the one committee is well placed to monitor and react to ongoing change and development within all three headings. Annual compliance rates for ANSAC have continually been in the very high nineties which is testimony to the dedication of ANSAC staff and volunteers alike. All continually strive to ensure proper procedures and tasks are completed and implemented to ensure compliance. No material breaches were identified during the period and reports from the external auditors continue to be very positive.

Appraisal of external providers

During the year as part of their function, the committee conducted an appraisal of all external providers, and service level agreements to ensure compliance. This included internal and external auditors. This involved a large body of work not only from the staff but by the providers themselves to ensure that all relevant contracts with ANSAC were in keeping with best practice and continue to be compliant with credit unions rules.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow committee members for their continued interest and dedication to the tasks presented during an extremely busy period. The committee have dealt with a large volume of work during the period and are committed to ensuring that ANSAC Credit Union is best served by its actions.

Also, to the C.E.O. Gillian Dunne, Mark Madden (FRM) Allison Morris (FRO) and all the staff for their assistance and guidance throughout the busy period. Their knowledge, experience and expertise has been invaluable to the committee. Also, to all the outside agencies who've interacted with the committee during the year. And to all the other committees of ANSAC Credit Union, including The Board Oversight Committee, who've in one way, or another, interacted with us during the period under review. Thank you all.

On behalf of the A.R.C. Committee, I would like to wish all our members at home and overseas, a happy, healthy, and peaceful new year.

Charlie Haughey

Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee Chairman

Investment Committee Report

Investment Committee – what we do.



The investment committee currently is, Charlie Haughey, (*Chairman*), Robert Moore, (*Secretary*) and John O'Brien, (*working member*). Our committee changed during the year with both Denise English and Ger Carberry travelling overseas on U.N. Duty. We thank them and wish them both well on their tour and a safe return home.

The committee meet at least quarterly, (On Teams), to

prudently manage the investment portfolio of ANSAC Credit Union. The committee are tasked with ensuring that the members funds are invested wisely and achieve a reasonable rate of return. To that end, investments are strictly regulated by the Central Bank on where and how funds are to be invested. We were also conscious of the need to keep a certain portion of our investments on short term notice i.e., 3 months.

Fortunately, ANSAC Credit Union does not overly rely on investment return to generate income as our investment portfolio accounts for approx. 2% of our total income, such is the strength of our current loan book.

Our total investments for the end of period under review was €10,261,909. The investment return averaged .87%.

Our investment income for the year amounted to €39,180 compared with €38,646 in 2021, €22.4k in 2020 and €50k in 2019.

Our high loan book and relatively small investment portfolio is without question, the envy of many credit unions as much of our assets are in the form of loans to members.

During the period under review the committee continues to use the services of Cantor Fitzgerald to oversee the portfolio and to seek expert advice on prudent investment opportunities as they occur.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the committee for their time and efforts throughout the period under review. We also thank Gillian Dunne, C.E.O. Mark Madden, F.R.M. for his expertise with numbers, John McCormack, (Adviser, Cantor Fitzgerald), Aidan Redican, who stood in as an alternate on a number of occasions during the year, and all the staff for the assistance afforded to us. We look forward to further engagements in the new year.

On behalf of the Investment Committee, I would like to wish everyone at home and overseas a happy and prosperous new year.

Charlie Haughey

Committee Chairman

5 Question Interview: Damien Quigley, Director of PMAS, talks all things PMAS (PDFORRA Medical Assistance Scheme)

1. For anyone not that familiar with the PMAS scheme can you relay what it's all about and why people should consider joining?



The PDFORRA Medical Assistance Scheme (PMAS) is a non-for-profit company, limited by guarantee that was established in 2018 to assist injured members access treatment in a timely fashion.

PDFORRA members who join the scheme are required to pay €1 per week. PMAS members who require treatment can then contact us and we'll advise them on the PMAS processes. Typically, treatment takes place in Kingsbridge Private Hospitals under the terms of the Northern Ireland Planned Healthcare Scheme (NIPHS). Kingsbridge Private Hospital is part of the Kingsbridge Healthcare Group, Northern Ireland's largest private hospital group and has hospitals in both Belfast and Ballykelly. Finance for treatment is usually provided by ANSAC in the form of a PMAS guaranteed credit union loan.

Treatment was initially provided under the terms of the terms of the Cross Border Healthcare Directive (CBD) however as a consequence of Brexit, treatment now takes place under the terms of the Northern Ireland Planned Healthcare Scheme (NIPHS). Under the terms of the NIPHS, patients who access treatment in NI must pay for their treatment up front and then seek a reimbursement from the HSE.

PMAS assist members to access this treatment, access finance and carry out all the administrative processes. Furthermore, PMAS has also negotiated very keen prices for members. Then post-surgery, PMAS assists members to claim a reimbursement from the HSE. PMAS covers the cost of any shortfall between the cost of the treatment and the HSE reimbursement rate. PMAS also cover the accrued interest on the members ANSAC Credit Union loan.

2. How does one go about signing up to the scheme?



The best way for members to join PMAS is by emailing PMAS: <u>mas@pdforra.ie</u> Members can also request application forms from the PDFORRA National Office or from a member of their District Committee. Application forms and information about all aspects of

the scheme can be found on the PMAS website www.pdforramas.ie

The website features a testimonial section as well as an ANSAC Credit Union section with information on their services and access to their membership application form. There's also a Kingsbridge PH section inclusive of contact details for accommodation in Belfast that offer PMAS patients discounts.

3. How many people have had consultations to date?

Despite a high discharge rate from the Defence Forces, membership of PMAS has risen to over 3,400 and to date over 470 of our members have been processed for treatment. In addition to this, many retired members and family members have been assisted by PMAS to access treatment under the terms of both the CBD and the NIPHS. Retired and family members receive administrative support from PMAS and enjoy considerable hospital discounts.

Demand for access to treatment has continued to increase and in November 2022 alone, over thirty appointments were arranged for PMAS patients. Thirteen of which were for surgical procedures. In addition, appointments for PMAS family members and retired members have also been secured in Kingsbridge during the month of November.

4. And how many of these have actually had surgery?

Over 280 PMAS members have now undergone surgery with more than 80 of these procedures taking place in the last 12 months. Typical surgical procedures include: hip and knee replacements (*and hip and knee arthroscopies*), shoulder procedures and neck and back surgery. Many other surgeries are also available such as: cruciate ligament, vein removal repair and gynaecological procedures. Patients have also received tonsillectomies, hernia repair, vasectomies and ENT procedures and many other procedures.

5. What's next for the scheme?

During the past four years PMAS believe that it has established itself as a credible healthcare service provider based on support from PDFORRA and a membership subscription of one €1 per week from each member. Despite external pressure that has led to increased costs, PMAS is determined to continue to provide access to medical treatment for the maximum number of members, for the lowest possible cost.

In order to develop and expand our services further, PMAS has engaged with the Minister of Defence, Simon Coveney T.D. at the PDFORRA ADC in October. PMAS has also written to the Minister to request support for the scheme and are hopeful of further engagement in the coming months.

Our Corporate Social Responsibility Activities During 2022

Every year ANSAC is proud to support our members in their altruistic endeavours through the provision of a modest sponsorship fund totalling €10,500. Any member is welcome to submit a request to this fund using our integrated application form located here: www.ansaccu.ie/sponsorship

This financial year, as always, we tried to support a wide range of events and were acutely aware of the impacts of the

cost-of-living crisis on so many important causes. Specifically, contributions were made to the following on behalf of our members:

- DF Canteen Children's Christmas Party, Curragh Camp.
- The Irish League of Credit Union Foundation (About the Foundation: www.ilcufoundation.ie/what-we-do/)
- The Curragh Family Resource Centre's 'Be a Claus For a Good Cause' 5k run
- Walk for Life for the Children's Orthopaedic Operations & the Leprosy Workshop Rewiring projects at Shirati Hospital, Northern Tanzania.
- Wellness contribution to the 65th Infantry Battalion, UNDOF
- Sponsorship of the IUNVA Post 6 Limerick newsletter series
- The Lt Dermot Early Claret Golf Competition with proceeds split among several local charities
- 7th Infantry Battalion charity event
- Lourdes Curragh Fund
- ONE Challenge Dundalk
- Oglaigh na hEireann 10 Mile Road Race Naval Base
- 12th Infantry Batallion charity event
- Sponsorship of resurfacing of pool tables in SJC Curragh Camp
- Sponsorship of The Green Jacket Golf Society Event
- Contribution to new IUNVA building in Arbour Hill
- Sponsorship of the DF Christmas Carol Service
- Sponsorship of Shortgrass Golf Event
- Wellness contribution to the 66th Infantry Battalion, UNDOF.

Introduction of the ANSAC Bursary Fund



Given the ongoing success of the credit union, we wanted to develop another channel for giving back to our community of members. With this in mind, we looked to the area of education and personal development and decided to pilot a new members bursary programme.

Through the programme, a sum of €5000 was made available

where members could apply for up to a €500 grant towards course fees for themselves or their offspring pertaining to education, culture or personal development. The fund closed to applications at the end of October 2022 and we're pleased to share that the full fund was given out to ten recipients heralding from Cork, Donegal, Galway, Louth, Meath and Monaghan.



Following this successful pilot, we'll have another pot of €5000 to give out this financial year and we have every expectation that we'll see more applications as awareness of the fund grows.

Best Soldier Award

Lastly, we continue to sponsor the best soldier award and prize fund for platoons of new recruits. Platoon Sergeants can apply for this by contacting the office on 018554489 or info@ansaccu.ie

