Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the 52 weeks ended 24 January 2015



Society Information

CO-OPERATIVE MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to challenge conventional UK enterprise by building a commercially successful family of businesses that offers a clear co-operative advantage, the advantage being the provision of excellent products or services with distinct competitive benefits derived from our values and principles, our rewards for members and our commitment to the communities we serve.

Directors	Mr D M Rose *+^ox (Chairman) Mr A M King *o+ (Vice Chairman) Mr A A Higginson *+^ox Mr A V King + Mrs S D Peaple * Mrs S Preece *^ox Mr R W Read ox Mrs D Trout *x^ Mr K G Wood +o* * Member of the Remuneration Committee + Member of the Remuneration Committee + Member of the Search Committee 0 Pension Fund Trustees x Member Relations Committee ^ Member Health & Safety Committee as an Employee). (Mr. Rose joined Pension Fund Trustees on 21 May 2014)
Registered number	2582R
Registered office	5 Colehill Tamworth Staffordshire B79 7HA
Management executive	Julian Coles FCCA ACIS - Chief Executive Officer and Secretary Robert W. Read - Senior General Manager Andrew N. Richardson ACMA - Financial Controller Ronald C. Constable – General Manager - Non Food Amanda J. Woodward MBIE - General Manager – Funeral Services Julie Gasper - Business Support Manager
Independent auditors	Dains LLP 15 Colmore Row Birmingham B3 2BH
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Solicitors	Dewes LLP 2 Bolebridge Street Tamworth Staffordshire B79 7PA

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Notice of Meeting For the 52 weeks ended 24 January 2015

Annual General Meeting

Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the **Annual General Meeting (1)** of the Society will be held on:

The Second Floor Tamworth Department Store Church Street Tamworth B79 7HA

Wednesday 29th April 2015 at 7.15pm

(1) Admission on presentation of a Valid Pass Card

By Order of the Board

Julian Coles Secretary

24 March 2015

Agenda

- 1. To confirm the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 30th April 2014.
- 2. To elect scrutineers
- 3. To receive the Report of the Board of Directors.
- 4. To consider and adopt the accounts of the society for the 52 weeks ended 24th January 2015 and the Balance Sheet together with the Auditor's Report thereon.
- 5. To confirm donations authorised by the Board of Directors
- 6. To declare the results of the election to the Board of Directors
- 7. To appoint Dains LLP as Auditors for 2015/2016.
- 8. Any other business

Five year comparative statement For the 52 weeks ended 24 January 2015

Key performance indicators

	2011*	2012*	2013*	2014	2015
Return on capital employed.	5.0	3.6	7.3	6.0	6.0
Surplus before distribution and impairment charges as a percentage of sales.	0.4	1.2	2.9	1.7	4.0
Trading surplus after depreciation as percentage of sales.	3.7	2.6	4.6	3.6	3.6
Trading surplus before depreciation as percentage of sales.	7.1	6.1	7.8	6.9	8.4
Gearing percentage.	2.6	3.2	4.1	4.8	6.6
Interest cover (times).	29.2	19.1	46.1	41.8	4.4
Retention as percentage of sales.	(0.5)	0.9	0.0	0.6	2.4
Capital expenditure as a percentage of sales.	3.5	1.8	5.1	3.0	6.1
Total net assets (£000)	15,022	14,308	12,613	11,908	11,703
Represented by: Share capital (£000) Reserves (£000)	2,416 12,606	2,467 11,841	2,433 10,180	2,314 9,594	2,174 9,529

Note: All figures have been calculated in line with current Co-operatives UK Recommendations, and updated where applicable.

* These figures are for the former group, prior to the Transfer of Engagement of TCS Estates Limited.

Financial review

The Society's Year End date was Saturday, 24th January 2015 and consisted of 52 trading weeks. Whilst the Society remains extremely cautious regarding the state of the general economy the Board are pleased to advise that reasonable progress has again been made in the year under review.

Against the prior year the trading surplus achieved is at broadly the same level at £704,000. Turnover is slightly down in the year by 0.5% but through to the trading surplus line the comparatives for last year are all reasonably similar to the current year. Below the trading surplus line there are a number of items on the Group Revenue Account that are reasonably significant and are explained further below.

Firstly the total for interest payable includes an additional amount in respect of certain Funeral pre-payment bonds of £145,000. The increase in interest payable does not mean that the Society has actually taken on any additional borrowing since the end of the previous year. It is an accounting adjustment in respect of the carrying value of certain funeral bond liabilities, and adjusts them to the equivalent of the current cost. There is then a significant gain on disposal of fixed assets of £866,000. This is primarily made up from the Society selling shares previously held in National Co-operative Chemists. The Co-operative Group owned the majority of shares in that organisation and during the year have sold their shares to an organisation called Bestway. The Society concluded the sale of its own shareholding and that yielded this exceptional gain for the Society. There is then quite a significant charge for impairing fixed assets of £418,000. That has arisen primarily from calculating the difference in market value of investment properties that we own against the market value that was determined in the previous year. These are values advised to the Society by Peter J Hicks & Co, an independent valuer. It also includes some accelerated write downs of fittings and equipment.

Before distributions that takes the surplus to a level of £784,000 which is in excess of the previous year by £453,000 or 137%. Allowing for dividends and grants the surplus before taxation is a figure of £657,000 which is favourable to the prior year of £201,000. Whilst the Society is pleased by the total result it has clearly been heavily affected by the exceptional item referred to above. The Society is however pleased to note that the trading surplus is a very similar result to the previous year. As the previous year included a dividend from the Co-operative Group of £61,000 and no equivalent income has been received in the current year, the Society needed to generate additional income just to cover that shortfall.

The Society's largest business operation is in Food which accounts for nearly 80% of the Society's total revenue. During the course of the year work has started on two major developments for the Society. A new purpose built Convenience Store has been developed in the Dosthill area of Tamworth and that opened for trade on 10th March 2015. The Society is also relocating its current Convenience Store in the Glascote area of Tamworth to purpose built premises on the site of the nearby former Anchor Inn. That development is intended to trade from Summer 2015. During the period the Society also determined to sell two of our Convenience Stores to other operators. On the 24th November 2014 the Brownhills location was sold to McColls. The Stanton Store was sold to an independent operator shortly after the end of the financial year under review. That transaction will appear in the financial statements for 2015/2016 therefore. All of the staff at these locations transferred to the new operators. Regrettably we were not able to achieve our financial targets at those locations.

The Society has been very pleased with the operational improvements that the new EPOS computer system has brought forward. This was introduced in November 2013 and has enabled a dividend card to be introduced for our Food Stores for the first time during the current year.

The Funeral Division has again had an extremely busy and successful year. Our sales in Funeral locations increased by 2.7%, despite the fact that the previous year had also been exceptionally busy.

The trading position at the Department Store in Tamworth has remained very challenging. Whilst the Store has continued to incur losses, in the year under review these have reduced against the previous year by around £55,000.

The Board will also like to draw your attention to the Pension Fund. A charge has been included in the Revenue Account of £219,000 which includes other finance costs and current service costs, as calculated by the Actuary under Accounting Standards. Overall the Society net Pension liability has increased from £7.1m to £7.6m before a provision for deferred taxation.

The Society has launched a new website during the current year which includes a section on historical archive data including reports and accounts going back over many years.

The Society has been very pleased to continue the important Community Dividend donations and these are listed on page 4 of the accounts. These donations are to groups located near to each of our retail locations.

Dividend

The Board of Directors remains mindful of the importance of Dividends to our Members and the Board has again agreed to pay the same Dividend at 2% on all qualifying purchases.

The Dividend distributed is as follows:

The Dividend distributed is	s as follo	ws: Recommended April 2015	Paid during 2014
Dividend Certificates Waived Dividends to Char Dividend vouchers not red from prior years.		96,827 10,187 	84,785 7,068 (10,000)
Total		<u>107,014</u>	<u>81,853</u>
Community Dividend 2014/2015:			
Department Store Tamworth Supermarket Amington Bolehall Brownhills Dordon Glascote Kingsbury Lichfield		SPIN (Special People in Need) Tamworth Rugby Union Football Club Amington and District Pre-School Friends of Warwickshire Moor Rosedene North Warwickshire Retired Miners Club St Gabriel's School PTA Kingsbury Methodist Outreach Group Wade Street Playgroup	£250 £2,088 £250 £821 £272 £250 £340 £699 £661

Doruon	-	North Warwickshile Retired Millers Club	£250
Glascote	-	St Gabriel's School PTA	£340
Kingsbury	-	Kingsbury Methodist Outreach Group	£699
Lichfield	-	Wade Street Playgroup	£661
Polesworth	-	Polesworth Pre-School Ltd	£1,746
Rosliston	-	Seales and Linton Scout Group	£513
Stanton	-	Stanton Primary School	£250
Stretton	-	2nd Rolleston – Brownies	£762
Whittington	-	Whittington Village Hall	£317
Wood End	-	Hurley Primary School	£531
MOT and Service Centre	-	Tamworth Forever Fund	£250

For Financial Year 2015/2016 the following Organisations have been selected:

Department Store Tamworth Supermarket Amington Bolehall	- - -	St Chad's Church Hopwas Tamworth Area Medical Emergency Community First Responders Amington Fete Friends of Warwickshire Moor
Dosthill	-	Dosthill Community Primary School
Dordon	-	St Leonard's Church
Glascote	-	Friends of St Gabriel's
Kingsbury	-	1st Kingsbury Guides
Lichfield	-	Jigsaw
Polesworth	-	North Warwickshire Cricket Club
Rosliston	-	Coton in the Elms Primary School
Stretton	-	Claymills Victorian Pumping Station
Whittington	-	Whittington Primary School
Wood End	-	Hurley Primary School
MOT and Service Centre	-	Tamworth Forever Fund

Membership

Details of Membership are recorded below:

Opening balance as at 26 January 2014	Open Accounts 17,197	Suspended Accounts 21,408
New Members during the year	2,055	-
Closed Accounts (Note 1)	(1,424)	-
Transfers from Suspended	410	(410)
Closing balance as at 24 January 2015	18,238	20,998

Note 1 - The introduction of the new members card has been more successful than we anticipated. From an administration perspective, members that had ceased to claim dividend have had to close their original share account and open a new account. We believe therefore that approximately 1,200 of the closed accounts have re-joined as new members.

Search Committee

The Society has established a Search Committee comprising five Members of the Board of Directors, fully detailed on the society information page, and this is responsible for the following duties:

- Formulate plans for succession for members of the Management Executive.
- Regularly evaluate the balance of skills, knowledge and experience on the Board.
- Inform the Chief Executive of any skills deficiencies on the Board and ensure that the necessary training be provided.

Recommendations from the Search Committee are made to the full Board of Directors.

Remuneration policy

The Remuneration Policy set by the Board and individual Remuneration Packages for Executive Management are determined by the Remuneration Committee within the framework of its Policy.

Details of Directors who are Members of the Remuneration Committee during the period ended 24th January 2015 can be found on the society information page of the Report.

The Remuneration Committee has access to independent advice where it considers it appropriate.

Formal terms of reference have been agreed by the Board of Directors and the Committee has met on three occasions since the last Annual General Meeting. Minutes of the Committee Meetings are provided to the Board of Directors at the Board Meeting following the Meeting of this Committee and the Board considers any recommendations made to it.

The duties of the Committee are to determine and agree with the Board the remuneration and contractual position of the Society's Chief Executive and other Members of the Executive Management.

They also recommend to the Board of Directors where they consider changes should be made to Director Remuneration.

In determining such policy, they take into account all factors which they deem necessary. The objective of such a policy is to ensure that Members of the Management Executive of the Society are provided with appropriate incentives to encourage enhanced performance and are, in a fair and responsible manner, rewarded for their individual contributions to the success of the Society. They approve the design of, and determine targets, for any performance related Pay Schemes and approve the total annual payments made under such Schemes.

In determining such packages and arrangements, they give due regard to any relevant legal requirements and review and note annually the Remuneration trends across the Society.

Further details concerning Executive Remuneration can be found on page 23.

The Remuneration of Directors is linked to the Retail Price Index except when other proposals are placed before Members at an Annual General Meeting.

Member Relations

A Board Sub Committee concentrates on such matters and this Committee has met on three occasions during the year. Certain Employees also take part in Member Relations Meetings.

Retirements

The Society remembers Employees who have retired during the year and extends its very grateful and sincere thanks for the dedicated service provided over many years, wishing them a long, happy and healthy retirement.

Obituaries

The Board very much regrets the death of former Employees and their families and remembers them all with much affection and gratitude.

Social and Co-operative performance

As a Co-operative Society we have been asked to measure ourselves against a number of indicators of social, cooperative and environmental performance but because of the size and the nature of the Society we are unable to report in the depth that larger Societies can do because of their levels of resources. These are reported on as follows, unless they are separately covered elsewhere in this Report.

Member economic involvement

Member economic involvement indicates how well we are meeting our Members' needs and whether we are successful in recruiting new Members from our Customer base. For the 52 weeks ending 24th January 2015 Members claimed Dividend on 22.5% of Society sales (as against 19.5% last year).

The Society recruited 2,055 (2014 – 571) either new members or members re-engaging with the society and reqesting a members card.

Member democratic participation

The Society is democratically controlled by its Members. It is therefore important to measure the number of Members who become actively involved in the decision making and to encourage Members to participate to a greater extent.

The number of Members who attended the AGM in 2014 was 28 against 34 in 2013, 38 in 2012 and 39 in 2011.

Participation in training and education

All Employees are encouraged to actively undergo Training and regular Courses take place throughout the Organisation each year.

Staff injury and absentee rates

Staff injury and absentee rates provide the Society with an indication of how well we control the risks to the health, safety and wellbeing of our Employees. Staff are encouraged to report all accidents, no matter how minor, and these are recorded to ensure that safety standards are maintained and continuously improved. The Health & Safety Committee on which the Board and the Trade Union are represented reviews these accidents at every Meeting.

This year 63 accidents were reported across the Society of which 50 were Employees of the Society. 8 Employees had reportable accidents. The comparative figures for the previous year were 62 accidents including 41 to Staff, 3 of these incidents were reportable.

The average number of days lost per Employee through sickness and absenteeism was 6.0 days against 4.3 days the previous year.

Staff profile

The Society has a policy of promoting an environment free from discrimination, harassment and victimisation where everyone receives equal treatment regardless of their gender, colour, ethnic or national origin, disability, age, marital status, sexual orientation or religion. All decisions are based solely upon work criteria and individual merit.

The Board is currently composed of five male and four female Directors. Senior Management is made up of four men and two women.

76.9% (2014 - 79.0%) of total Employees are women and 23.1% (2014 - 21.0%) men. 59.5% (2014 - 56.3%) of Employees are full-time and 40.5% (2014 - 43.7%) part-time.

Employee involvement

The society places considerable value on the involvement of its employees and has continued to keep them informed on matters affecting them as employees and on the various factors affecting the performance of the company. This is achieved through formal and informal meetings. Employee representations are consulted maintained its practice of consultation and communication with employees both by formal and informal methods. Employee representatives are consulted on a wide range of matters affecting their current and future interests.

Disabled employees

Applications for employment by disabled persons are always fully considered bearing in mind the abilities of the applicant concerned. In the event of members of staff becoming disabled every effort is made to ensure that their employment with the society continues and that appropriate arrangements are made. It is the policy of the society that the training, career development and promotion of disabled persons should, as far as possible, be identical to that of other employees.

Ethical Issues

As indicated within the Staff Profile paragraph above, the Society has a clear ethical policy in relation to Employee matters.

So far as procurement is concerned the Society operates a similar policy and procurement is made through whatever sources are best for the Society's business. The Society purchases all of its food through the Co-operative Retail Trading Group and follows the ethical practices conducted by that Group.

The Society has made no investments outside those offered by our Bankers during recent periods.

The Environment

The Society currently purchases all of its energy via the Co-operative Group Energy Management Consortium: Cooperative Power. This is a collection of co-operative and other aligned businesses working together to ensure the best possible approach to the utility markets. The Consortium and therefore the Society has a core electricity contract administered by Scottish Power. All of the electricity that is bought through the Consortium is 100% Type 1 green power. This can be defined as 'electricity that is only sourced from wind farms and small scale hydro plants'. The green credentials of this type 1 power make it exempt from the climate change levy tax (CCL), which is a standard tax all UK businesses are obliged to pay on every unit of standard energy they consume. The premium that is paid for receiving type 1 green electricity is cost neutral to the charge for the CCL so the privilege and benefit of having green energy does not cost the Society anything extra. This is very unique and many businesses have to pay a large premium to secure green electricity making the decision to use it too expensive and non-commercial. The Consortium also work together on other energy and environmental related matters to share best practise, exchange knowledge and use the combined volume to find the most cost effective solutions that have the biggest impact. A good example of this is working together to prepare for the impending ESOS legislation.

Proportion of waste recycled/reused

We actively encourage the recycling of waste. Cardboard in particular is collected from all of our retail outlets, compacted in some cases, before being sent off for recycling. Unfortunately we do not have the means for producing figures indicating the tonnage of cardboard recycled.

Corporate Governance

Responsibilities of the Board of Directors

Co-operatives UK prepare a Corporate Governance Code for Consumer Co-operative Societies. This recognises a neglect of governance weakens the framework of accountability and carries multiple risks to the business and its strategy over time. Conversely good governance supports the Board in its task of creating and maintaining a strong and sustainable business that meets the needs of its Members. Co-operatives UK indicate that they understand that the Code needs to be flexible but indicate that Member Co-operatives should include statements in their annual reports disclosing the extent to which they have followed it during the reporting period.

The latest version of the Code was issued in November 2013 and the Society does comply with the majority of the recommendations but would comment on the following specific points.

Provision 34 indicates that in the event of a solvent dissolution then any surplus arising should be distributed in accordance with the International Co-operative Alliance statement of Co-operative identity. This is actually a matter that is dealt with in the Rules of the Society and The Society Rules indicate that any remaining assets after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities should be distributed to local charitable organisations as determined by the Members. Reference has been made to this issue at recent Annual General Meetings whilst the Board feel the chances of this arising are remote it will be giving consideration the next time the Society Rules are being comprehensively considered.

Provision 50 of the Code indicates that Members of the Management Executive should not hold the position of Director. At this time the Society Senior General Manager, Mr R W Read, also acts as a Director of the Society. This is in accordance with the Rules and whilst these limit the total number of employees and former employees that can serve on the Board they do not indicate than any individual category of employee are not eligible to stand.

Provision 69 indicates that the maximum service of any Chair person may not exceed six years. Normally the Board elect a different Chairman every year but there is no limit on the number of times that a person could serve as a Chairman. In practice it is not believed that this has ever exceeded six occasions but in a similar way to later responses the Society does not believe it is appropriate to put a limit on any of these areas.

Provision 76 indicates that the position of Chief Executive and Secretary should not be held by one individual. The Society accepts that a number of recommendations on Corporate Governance make this recommendation. The Society does have the same individual carrying out both positions and believes that it is appropriate due to the size and structure of Tamworth Co-operative Society.

Provisions 82 and 83 of the Code refer to renewal of the Board and the Society ensures a balance of experienced and newly elected Board Members by advertising each year when nominations are able to be accepted. By the April 2015 Annual General Meeting Board Members will have served between two and eighteen years' service with an average of just under nine years.

The Code makes several recommendations regarding Board evaluation and the possibility of using an external facilitator to carry out a Board evaluation. The Board did trial this idea several years previously but has not decided to repeat the exercise. Because of the size of the Society and the need for Board Members to be appointed by the Members it is not felt that this is an appropriate suggestion for our organisation.

On Committees of the Board there are several recommendations regarding numbers that should comprise these Committees and how long individuals can serve on them. In a similar way to the comments made regarding the length of the service of the Chairman as indicated above the Society does not believe it is appropriate to put a maximum term on any such service commitments. The Society also feels that it needs to determine the ideal size of such Committees based on its own needs rather than any outside suggestions. At this point the entire Board serves as Audit Committee and does not satisfy the requirement of one Member of that Committee having recent and relevant financial experience as no professionally qualified accountants currently sit on the Board.

Going concern

After making all appropriate enquiries, the Directors have a reasonable expectation that the Society has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason the Directors continue to adopt the Going Concern basis in preparing the Society's Accounts. In particular, the Society has cash of £2,239,000 at 24 January 2015.

Internal control

As previously mentioned, the entire Board sits as the Audit Committee, and as such meets the Auditor to have a full discussion. In addition the Management letter from the Auditors is also presented to the full Board.

The Board of Directors has continued to review and report upon internal financial controls.

The Society has continued with its work on establishing procedures necessary to comply with Legislation and the Corporate Governance Code of Best Practice and wherever possible additional Reports are made and controls implemented as is considered appropriate for a Society of this size.

The key elements of the Society's system of internal financial controls are as follows

(A) Control environment

The Society is committed to the highest standards of business conduct and seeks to maintain these standards across all of its operations.

The Society has an appropriate organisational structure for planning, executing, controlling and monitoring business operations in order to achieve Society objectives. Lines of responsibility and delegations of authority are documented and reviewed at least annually at Strategy Meetings.

The annual budget and long term plan of the society and of each Division are reviewed and approved.

A full Society Strategy is in place and is reviewed at least on an annual basis and separate Board Meetings are convened for that purpose.

At 24 January 2015 the number of creditor days outstanding for the Society was 21 days (2014 - 19 days).

(B) Risk identification

Society Management continue to be responsible for the identification and evaluation of key risks applicable to their areas of Business. These risks are assessed on a continual basis and may be associated with a variety of internal or external sources including control breakdowns, disruption in information systems, competition, natural catastrophe, and regulatory requirements.

(C) Information and communication

The Society's Businesses participate in periodic Strategic Reviews which include consideration of long term financial projections and the evaluation of Business alternatives with an in-depth analysis of past performance. Operating units prepare annual budgets and strategic plans. Performance against plan is actively monitored at the Board and Executive levels supported by regular forecasts and Meetings between Senior Management and the Board of Directors as considered appropriate. Forecasts and results are consolidated and presented to the Board on a regular basis.

Through these mechanisms, Society performance is continually monitored, risks identified in a timely manner, their financial implications assessed, control procedures re-evaluated and corrective actions agreed and implemented.

(D) Control procedures

The Society and its operating units have implemented control procedures designed to ensure complete and accurate accounting for financial transactions and to limit the potential exposure to loss of assets or fraud.

(E) Monitoring and corrective action

There are clear and consistent procedures in place for monitoring the system of internal financial controls. The Board of Directors meets regularly to review the effectiveness of the Society's system of financial controls. Monthly Management Accounts are considered in great detail and any appropriate action is taken whenever necessary.

Provision of information to auditors

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

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

Auditors

Dains LLP were reappointed as the Society auditors at the 2014 Annual General Meeting and having expressed their willingness to continue in office will be proposed for reappointment at the Annual General Meeting to be held on 29 April 2015.

This report was approved by the board on 24 March 2015 and signed on its behalf.

David Rose Chairman of the Board

Julian Coles Chief Executive Officer

Directors' Responsibilities Statement For the 52 weeks ended 24 January 2015

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

Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under applicable law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the society and the profit or loss of the society for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

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

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the society's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the society and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the society and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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

Board Certification

The financial statements on pages 14 to 34 are hereby signed on behalf of the Board of Directors pursuant to Section 80 of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014.

David Rose Chairman of the Board

24 March 2015

Julian Coles Chief Executive Officer

Directors' attendance For the 52 weeks ended 24 January 2015

Name	Appointment expires	Possible attendances	Actual attendances
Mrs A A Higginson	2016	30	30
Mr K G Wood	2017	21	17
Mr A M King	2015	21	15
Mr A V King	2015	14	13
Mrs S Preece	2016	27	27
Mr R W Read	2017	21	21
Mr D M Rose	2015	30	28
Mrs D Trout	2016	27	24
Mrs S Peaple	2017	17	15

Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of Tamworth Co-operative Society Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Tamworth Co-operative Society Limited for the 52 weeks ended 24 January 2015, which comprise the revenue account, the statement of total recognised gains and losses, the balance sheet, the cash flow statement and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the society's members, as a body, in accordance with section 87 of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the society's members those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditors' 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 society and the society's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the Directors' responsibilities statement, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the society's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Directors' report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report. In our opinion the financial statements:

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the society's affairs as at 24 January 2015 and of its surplus for the 52 weeks then ended;
- have been prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice and in accordance with the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where Co-operative and Community Benefit Acts 2014 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- proper books of account have not been kept by the society in accordance with requirements of legislation;
- a satisfactory system of control over transactions has not been maintained by the society in accordance with the requirements of legislation;
- the financial statement are not in agreement with the books of account of the society; or
- we have not obtained all the information and explanations necessary for the purpose of our audit.

Mark Hargate FCA (Senior statutory auditor)

for and on behalf of Dains LLP

Statutory Auditor Chartered Accountants

Birmingham

24 March 2015

Revenue account For the 52 weeks ended 24 January 2015

	Note	52 w	eeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52	weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Gross takings Less concession sales	1	23,269 (1,528)		23,460 (1,576)	
Takings	-		- 21,741		21,884
Less value added tax		_	(1,971)		(2,009)
Turnover	1,2	_	19,770		19,875
Cost of sales			(12,582)		(12,665)
Gross profit		-	7,188		7,210
Property income Expenses	3		501 (6,985)		511 (7,011)
		-	(6,484)		(6,500)
Trading surplus	11	-	704		710
Interest receivable Interest payable Other finance costs Profit / (Loss) on disposal of fixed assets Impairment of fixed assets	5 6 7 13,15	11 (160) (219) 866 (418)		16 (17) (226) (31) (121)	
	-		80		(379)
Surplus for the period before distribution		-	784		331
Dividends paid Grants and donations	8 9	(82) (45)		(95) (35)	
	-		(127)		(130)
Surplus before taxation		-	657		201
Tax on suplus	12		(193)		(82)
Retained surplus for the period		-	464		119

All amounts relate to continuing operations.

Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses For the 52 weeks ended 24 January 2015

	Note	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Surplus for the period		464	120
Actuarial loss related to pension scheme	29	(626)	(343)
Deferred tax attributable to actuarial loss	29	125	(138)
Total recognised gains and losses relating to the period		(37)	(361)

Balance Sheet As at 24 January 2015

			24 January		25 January
	Note	£000	2015 £000	£000	2014 £000
Fixed assets					
Intangible assets	13		18		31
Tangible assets	14		10,448		10,197
Investment property	15		6,030		6,630
Investments	16		4,989		4,416
		-	21,485		21,274
Current assets					
Stocks	17	905		1,049	
Debtors	18	1,129		1,007	
Cash at bank and in hand		2,239		958	
		4,273		3,014	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	19	(3,287)		(2,429)	
Net current assets			986		585
Total assets less current liabilities		-	22,471		21,859
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	20		(4,683)		(4,245)
Provisions for liabilities					
Deferred tax	21		(32)		(30)
Net assets excluding pension liabilities			17,756		17,584
Defined benefit pension liability	29		(6,053)		(5,676)
Net assets including pension liabilities		-	11,703		11,908
Financed by:		-			
Share capital	22		2,174		2,314
Revenue reserves	23		9,529		9,594
Members' funds	24	•	11,703		11,908

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on 24 March 2015.

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David Rose Chairman of the Board

Julian Coles Chief Executive Officer

Cash Flow Statement For the 52 weeks ended 24 January 2015

	Note	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Net cash flow from operating activities	25	1,811	1,376
Returns on investments and servicing of finance	26	(4)	(1)
Taxation		(26)	(105)
Capital expenditure and financial investment	26	(332)	(1,107)
Cash inflow before financing		1,449	163
Financing	26	(168)	(154)
Increase/(Decrease) in cash in the period		1,281	9

Reconciliation of Net Cash Flow to Movement in Net Funds For the 52 weeks ended 24 January 2015

	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Increase/(Decrease) in cash in the period	1,281	9
Movement in net debt in the period	1,281	9
Net funds at 26 January 2014	958	949
Net funds at 24 January 2015	2,239	958

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1. Accounting Policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. They have all been applied consistently throughout the period and the preceding period. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards using the historical cost accounting convention modified to include the revaluation of investment properties.

1.2 Going concern

After making all appropriate enquires, the Directors have a reasonable expectation that the society has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements. For this reason the Directors continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the society financial statements.

1.3 Accounting date

The financial statements are in respect of the 52 week period ended 24 January 2015 with the comparative figures for the 52 week period ended 25 January 2014.

1.4 Gross takings

Gross takings includes cash sales, goods sold on credit, concessionaire sales and television/video rental income inclusive of Value Added Tax.

1.5 Turnover

Turnover comprises gross takings excluding VAT and sales made by concessions, but includes fees received from concession for sales made from the society's premises. The turnover is attributable to the principal activity of the society.

1.6 Property income

Income received from property is accounted for on an accruals basis for rents received.

1.7 Repairs

Repair expenditure is charged to the revenue account in the year that the cost is incurred.

1.8 Investment income

Interest receivable is accounted for on an accruals basis. Dividends are accounted for when received.

1.9 Intangible fixed assets and amortisation

Goodwill is the difference between amounts paid on the acquisition of a business and the fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities. It is amortised over a 20 year period being an estimate of its useful economic life.

1. Accounting Policies (continued)

1.10 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided on all assets other than freehold land, at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold buildings Leasehold buildings Transport Fixtures, fittings and plant	 2% per annum over the unexpired period of the lease over the expected working life or 4 years over the expected working life or 10 years, whichever is the least
Assets under construction Rental assets	 no depreciation is charged on assets under construction 33.3% per annum

1.11 Investments

Investments held as fixed assets are shown at cost less provision for impairment.

1.12 Investment properties

Investment properties are included in the Balance sheet at their open market value in accordance with Statement of Standard Accounting Practice No.19 and are not depreciated. This treatment is contrary to Financial Reporting Standard Number 15 - Tangible Fixed Assets, which states that fixed assets should be depreciated but is, in the opinion of the directors, necessary in order to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the society.

1.13 Operating leases

Rentals under operating leases are charged to the revenue account on a straight line basis over the lease term.

1.14 Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving stocks.

1.15 Deferred taxation

Current

The charge for taxation is based on the taxable surplus for the year.

Deferred

Full provision is made for deferred tax assets and liabilities arising from all timing differences between the recognition of gains and losses in the financial statements and recognition in the tax computation.

A net deferred tax asset is recognised only if it can be regarded as more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are calculated at the tax rates expected to be effective at the time the timing differences are expected to reverse.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted.

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1. Accounting Policies (continued)

1.16 Pensions

On 31 October 2009 the defined benefit scheme was "frozen" following consultation with employees and was replaced on 1 November 2009 with a new stakeholder or "money purchase" scheme that has been made available to former members of the scheme. The cost of providing pension benefits is met by the society and charged to the revenue account, based on the advice of an independent actuary, so as to spread the cost over the expected average service lives of the employees. The pension costs are calculated in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard Number 17 - "Retirement benefits" (FRS17). FRS17 disclosures are also set out in note 29.

For defined benefit schemes, the amount charged to the revenue account in respect of pension costs and other post retirement benefits is the estimated regular cost of providing the benefits accrued in the year, adjusted to reflect variations from that cost. The interest cost and expected return on assets are included within other finance costs.

Defined benefit schemes are funded, with the assets held separately from the society in separate trustee administered funds. A liability is recognised in the balance sheet in respect of the defined benefit plan which represents the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the balance sheet date less the fair value of plan assets. A full valuation of the liability is calculated by an independent actuary every 3 years and updated on an annual basis using the projected unit method. The present value of the defined benefit obligation is determined by discounting the estimated future cash outflows using interest rates of high-quality corporate bonds that are denominated in the currency in which the benefits will be paid and that have terms to maturity approximating to the terms of the related pension liability. Actuarial gains and losses are recognised in reserves in the year in which they arise. Past-service costs are recognised immediately in income, unless the changes to the pension plan are conditional on the employees remaining in service for a specified period of time the vesting period). In this case, the past-service costs are amortised on a straight-line basis over the vesting period.

From 1 November 2009 a stakeholder or money purchase scheme is available to former members of the final salary scheme. The contributions payable to the schemes in respect of the accounting period are charged to the revenue account.

1.17 Funeral plan

Liabilities under the funeral plan are based on the total commitment at the balance sheet date.

Based on the society's experience of funerals handled under its pre-payment plan, the liability has been divided between the current liability for those plans which may be completed within one year, and the remainder, where the liability is classfied as an amount falling due after one year. For funeral plans sold after 1 January 2002 amounts paid by customers have been applied towards contracts of Whole Life insurance on the life of the customer. The life insurance contracts have been arranged by the Co-operative Insurance Society Limited.

1.18 Share interest

The society's members' share capital maintains a fixed nominal value and attracts interest. Share interest is disclosed as a movement in equity and within the reconciliation of movements in members' funds.

2. Turnover

The whole of the turnover is attributable to the principal activity.

All turnover arose within the United Kingdom.

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3. Expenses

	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Staff costs (Note 10) Occupany costs Depreciation and amortisation Directors' fees Other expenses Taxation advice paid to KPMG LLP Audit fees (Note 4)	4,142 984 568 29 1,234 11 17	4,186 985 669 28 1,112 14 17
	6,985	7,011

4. Auditors' remuneration

	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Fees payable to the society's auditor for the audit of the society's annual		
accounts	17	17

5. Interest receivable

	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Bank and other interest Co-operative group	7 4	10 6
	11	16

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6. Interest payable

	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Funeral prepayment plans Other	160 -	16 1
	160	17

Prior to 2002 funeral bonds were underwritten by the society and the liability to cover the cost of these funerals rests with the society. During 2014/15 the Directors have reviewed the performance of the investments and recongised an additional interest charge to recognise the current shortfall in the liability.

7. Other finance costs

	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Expected return on pension scheme assets Interest on pension scheme liabilities	614 (833)	576 (802)
	(219)	(226)

8. Dividends paid

	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Dividend to members Waived dividends given to charity Dividend vouchers not redeemed by members from prior years	85 7 (10)	86 9 -
	82	95

9. Grants and donations

	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Member relations committee Employee related	(1) 46	(9) 44
	45	35

The Society has reviewed its funding of the members relations committee. In future all costs will be charged to the profit and loss account in the year expenditure is incurred. No allowance will be made for potential income from events that are paid in advance of provisions for future expenditure.

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10. Staff costs

Staff costs, including directors' remuneration, were as follows:

	52 weeks ended	52 weeks ended
	24 January	25 January
	2015	2014
	£000	£000
Wages and salaries	3,794	3,829
Social security costs	230	229
Pension costs	118	128
	4,142	4,186

The average monthly number of employees, including the directors, during the 52 weeks was as follows:

	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 No.	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 No.
Full time Part time	127 173	142 182
	300	324

Management executive remuneration

The total remuneration of the management executive was as follows:

	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Salaries Bonus Taxable benefits Pension contributions	393 27 7 22	353 24 5 20
Total	449	402

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On 1st February 2014, Mrs J Gasper (Business Support Manager) joined the executive. Prior year comparatives have not been restated to reflect this change.

The remuneration of the Chief Executive Officer (who is also the highest paid employee) included above was as follows:

	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Salary and taxable benefits Bonus Pension contributions	109 20 6	106 15 6
Total	135	127

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The following number of executive management received remuneration (including taxable benefits) falling within the following ranges:

	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 No.	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 No.
£30,001 - £40,000	1	-
£40,001 - £50,000	-	-
£50,001 - £60,000	-	1
£60,001 - £70,000	3	2
£70,001 - £80,000	1	-
£80,001 - £90,000	-	1
£110,001 - £120,000	-	-
£121,001 - £130,000	1	1

11. Trading surplus

The trading surplus is stated after charging:

	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Amortisation - intangible fixed assets	13	24
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets: - owned by the company Operating lease rentals:	555	646
- other operating leases Directors' fees	17 29	24 28

12. Taxation

52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
167 (8)	35 (12)
159	23
2 32 - -	(158) 30 11 176
34	59
193	82
	24 January 2015 £000 167 (8) 159 2 32 - - 34

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12. Taxation (continued)

Factors affecting tax charge

The tax assessed for the for the period is higher than (2014 - lower than) the effective rate of corporation tax in the UK of 21.36% (2014 - 20%). The differences are explained below:

	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	657	202
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 21.36% (2014 - 20%)	140	40
Effects of:		
Fixed asset differences	1	47
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	111	12
Depreciation in excess of capital allowances	(32)	(14)
Adjustments to tax charge in respect of prior periods	(8)	(12)
Short term timing difference leading to a decrease in taxation	29	(6)
Other timing differences leading to a decrease in taxation	(221)	(44)
Capital gains	141	-
Marginal relief	(2)	-
Current tax charge (see note above)	159	23

Factors that may affect future tax charges

Reductions in the UK corporation tax rate from 26% to 24% (effective from 1 April 2012) and to 23% (effective 1 April 2013) were substantively enacted on 26 March 2012 and 3 July 2012 respectively. Further reductions to 21% (effective from 1 April 2014) and 20% (effective from 1 April 2015) were substantively enacted on 2 July 2013. This will reduce the Society's future current tax charge accordingly. The deferred tax liability at 24 January 2015 has been calculated based on the rate of 20% substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

Please note that due to the Society's taxable profits for the period, it has been subject to corporation tax at the small company's rate of 20%.

The potential taxation liability, if all the Society's investment properties were disposed of at their revalued amount, has not been recognised because there is no intention to dispose of them. The maximum liability is estimated to be approximately £385,000 (2014: £445,000).

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13. Intangible fixed assets

	Goodwill £000
Cost	
At 26 January 2014 and 24 January 2015	274
Amortisation	
At 26 January 2014	243
Charge for the period	13
At 24 January 2015	256
Net book value	
At 24 January 2015	18
At 25 January 2014	31

14. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings £000	Leasehold land and buildings £000	Fixtures, fittings and plant £000	Transport £000	Assets under construction £000	Total £000
Cost						
At 26 January 2014 Additions Disposals	7,970 89 -	307 - (305)	6,510 41 (199)	906 42 (55)	- 1,040 -	15,693 1,212 (559)
At 24 January 2015	8,059	2	6,352	893	1,040	16,346
Depreciation						
At 26 January 2014 Charge for the period On disposals Impairment charge	105 105 - -	9 7 (14) -	4,621 381 (159) 75	761 62 (55) -	- - - -	5,496 555 (228) 75
At 24 January 2015	210	2	4,918	768	-	5,898
Net book value						
At 24 January 2015	7,849	-	1,434	125	1,040	10,448
At 25 January 2014	7,865	298	1,889	145	-	10,197

The original cost of freehold land included in the above figures, which is not depreciated is $\pounds 2,935,000$ (2014 - $\pounds 2,660,000$).

The freehold and leasehold land and buildings was valued on 24 January 2013 by Peter J Hicks FRICS of Peter J Hicks & Co. Chartered Surveyors on an existing use basis. These valuations have been used as the deemed cost following the transfer of engagement from TCS Estates Services Limited.

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15. Investment property

investment property £000
6,630 3
(343) (260)
6,030

The investment property was revalued on 24 January 2015 by Peter J Hicks FRICS of Peter J Hicks & Co. Chartered Surveyors on an existing use basis.

The historic cost of investment properties included at valuation is £4,278,930 (2014 - £4,678,818).

16. Fixed asset investments

	Unlisted investments £000
Cost	
At 26 January 2014 Additions Disposals	4,416 911 (338)
At 24 January 2015	4,989
Net book value	
At 24 January 2015	4,989
At 25 January 2014	4,416

Unlisted investments principally relate to Royal London investments funeral prepayment plans.

17. Stocks

	24 January 2015 £000	25 January 2014 £000
Goods for resale	905	1,049

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18. Debtors

	24 January 2015 £000	25 January 2014 £000
Trade debtors Other debtors Prepayments and accrued income	895 3 231	811 13 183
	1,129	1,007

19. Creditors:

Amounts falling due within one year

	24 January 2015 £000	25 January 2014 £000
Trade creditors	1,035	1,045
Corporation tax	167	35
Other taxation and social security	92	65
Dividend	53	56
Funeral prepayment plans	826	606
Customer deposits	97	99
Other creditors	7	4
Accruals and deferred income	1,010	519
	3,287	2,429

Funeral prepayment plans, none of which are secured, are repayable on demand with a floating rate of interest. The amounts falling due within one year represents 15% of the total value of bonds (2014 - 12.5%).

20. Creditors:

Amounts falling due after more than one year

	24 January 2015 £000	25 January 2014 £000
Funeral prepayment plans	4,683	4,245

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21. Deferred taxation

	24 January 2015 £000	25 January 2014 £000
At beginning of period Charge for the period	30 2	1 29
At end of period	32	30

The provision for deferred taxation is made up as follows:

	24 January 2015 £000	25 January 2014 £000
Accelerated capital allowances Other timing differences	105 (73)	75 (45)
	32	30

22. Share Capital

	2015 £000	2014 £000
At start of period Contributions Interest	2,314 329 28	2,433 467 35
Withdrawals	2,671 (497)	2,935 (621)
At end of period	2,174	2,314

Share capital is non equity share capital comprising £2,173,812 (2014 - £2,313,762) shares of £1 each, attracting interest of between nil and 2.25% per annum, depending on the balance held.

The share capital is withdrawable on periods of notice varying according to the amount involved, however this requirement can be waived by the Directors under Rule 7.9(b).

Each member is entitled to one vote.

The society rules indicate that on solvent dissolution or winding up that any remaining assets be distributed to local charitable organisations as determined at a meeting of members.

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23. Reserves

	Revenue
	reserves
	£000
At start of period	9,594
Surplus for the period	464
Share interest	(28)
Actuarial loss on pension scheme (net of deferred tax)	(501)
At end of period	9,529

The closing balance on the revenue reserves includes a \pounds 6,053,000 (2014 - \pounds 5,676,000) debit, stated after deferred taxation of \pounds 1,514,000 (2014 - \pounds 1,421,000), in respect of pension scheme liabilities of the society's pension scheme.

24. Reconciliation of movement in members' funds

	24 January 2015 £000	25 January 2014 £000
Opening members' funds Surplus for the period Share interest Decrease in share capital Actuarial loss on pension scheme (net of deferred tax)	11,908 464 (28) (140) (501)	12,423 120 (35) (119) (481)
Closing members' funds	11,703	11,908

25. Net cash flow from operating activities

	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Trading surplus	704	710
Dividends and grants paid	(127)	(130)
Amortisation of intangible fixed assets	13	24
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	555	646
Decrease/(increase) in stocks	144	(9)
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(122)	38
Increase in creditors	1,019	469
Decrease in net pension assets/liabilities	(375)	(372)
Net cash inflow from operating activities	1,811	1,376

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26. Analysis of cash flows for headings netted in cash flow statement

	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Returns on investments and servicing of finance		
Interest received Interest paid	11 (15)	16 (17)
Net cash outflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance	(4)	(1)
	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Capital expenditure and financial investment		
Purchase of tangible fixed assets Sale of tangible fixed assets Purchase of investment properties Sale of investment properties Purchase of unlisted and other investments Sale of unlisted and other investments	(1,212) 330 (3) 260 (911) 1,204	(583) 4 (7) - (772) 251
Net cash outflow from capital expenditure	(332)	(1,107)
	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Financing		
Issue of ordinary shares Purchase of ordinary shares	329 (497)	467 (621)
Net cash outflow from financing	(168)	(154)

27. Analysis of changes in net funds

	26 January	Cash flow	Other non-cash	24 January
	26 January 2014 £000	£000	changes £000	24 January 2015 £000
Cash at bank and in hand	958	1,281	-	2,239
Net funds	958	1,281	-	2,239

28. Capital commitments

At 24 January 2015 the society had capital commitments as follows:

	24 January 2015 £000	25 January 2014 £000
Contracted for but not provided in these financial statements	1,594	28

29. Pension commitments

The society operates a Defined benefit pension scheme (Tamworth Co-operative Society Limited Employees Superannuation) in the UK which was closed for all future accruals on 31 October 2009 and has no active members. The pensions contributions payable by the society in the year amounted to £428,000 (2014 - £446,000)

A full actuarial valuation was carried out as at 31 March 2013 and updated to 24 January 2015 using the Projected Unit method, by an independent qualified actuary.

The amounts recognised in the balance sheet are as follows:

	24 January 2015 £000	25 January 2014 £000
Present value of funded obligations	(20,963)	(19,068)
Fair value of scheme assets	13,396	11,971
Deficit in scheme	(7,567)	(7,097)
Related deferred tax asset	1,514	1,421
Net liability	(6,053)	(5,676)

The amounts recognised in profit or loss are as follows:

	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Current service cost Interest on obligation Expected return on scheme assets	(53) (833) 614	(71) (802) 576
Total	(272)	(297)

Movements in the present value of the defined benefit obligation were as follows:

	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Opening defined benefit obligation Current service cost Interest cost Actuarial losses Benefits paid	19,068 53 833 1,760 (751)	18,572 71 802 389 (766)
Closing defined benefit obligation	20,963	19,068

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29. Pension commitments (continued)

Changes in the fair value of scheme assets were as follows:

	52 weeks ended 24 January 2015 £000	52 weeks ended 25 January 2014 £000
Opening fair value of scheme assets Expected return on assets Actuarial gains Contributions by employer Benefits paid	11,971 614 1,134 428 (751)	11,669 576 46 446 (766)
	13,396	11,971

The cumulative amount of actuarial gains and losses recognised in the statement of total recognised gains and losses was £626,000 (2014 - £343,000).

The society expects to contribute £375,000 to its Defined benefit pension scheme in 2016.

The major categories of scheme assets as a percentage of total scheme assets are as follows:

	2015	2014
Equity securities	55.80 %	28.10 %
Bonds	41.70 %	52.30 %
Cash	2.50 %	19.60 %

Principal actuarial assumptions at the balance sheet date (expressed as weighted averages):

	2015	2014
Discount rate	3.25 %	4.45 %
Expected return on scheme assets	5.20 %	5.20 %
Pension increases (RPI max 5%)	2.40 %	3.10 %

Amounts for the current and previous four periods are as follows:

Defined benefit pension schemes

	2015 £000	2014 £000	2013 £000	2012 £000	2011 £000
Defined benefit obligation Scheme assets	(20,963) 13,396	(19,068) 11,971	(18,572) 11,669	(17,424) 11,355	(16,267) 10,290
Deficit	(7,567)	(7,097)	(6,903)	(6,069)	(5,977)
Experience adjustments on scheme liabilities Experience adjustments	(1,760)	(389)	(1,200)	(229)	517
on scheme assets	1,134	46	294	387	254

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30. Related party transactions

As a retail co-operative society, the society has many transactions with other Co-operative Societies. There are all commercial and at arms length. The most significant of these relates to the society's membership of the Co-operative Retail Trading Group (CRTG) by which purchases of stock for resale are made through the Co-operative Group Limited on terms negotiated with the third party suppliers by CRTG on behalf of its members. It is not considered that there are any related parties with the definition of FRS8 Related Party Disclosures.