

The Co-operative Bank p.l.c.

This announcement amends and replaces the announcement of the '1st Quarter Results' made by the Bank on 20 May 2016 at 9.35 BST, issued under RNS number 8590Y. The following amendment has been made to the second bullet of the Regulatory and Capital Update section:

- "Total Bank RWAs reduced to £7.3bn at March 31 2016 from £7.4bn at December 31 2015"

All other details remain unchanged. The full amended text is shown below.

20 May 2016

Q1 2016 Trading Update

Viable Core Bank franchise continues to emerge

- Total Core Bank net customer loans increased to £15.2bn as at March 31 2016 (£14.7bn at December 31 2015) as mortgage origination continued to improve with completions for the three months to 31 March 2016 totalling £0.8bn (£0.5bn in Q1 2015) and redemptions (excluding contractual repayments) falling to £0.4bn during the same period (£0.5bn in Q1 2015). In addition, £348m of performing PFI and REAF assets were transferred into Business and Commercial Banking (BaCB)
- New business asset spreads remain under pressure due to strong competition in the mortgage market. This has been partially offset by the endowed effect of last year's pricing actions on deposits
- The Core Bank recorded an operating profit for the three months to March 31 2016 compared with an operating loss in the same period in 2015
- In the first quarter, the number of current accounts experienced a small decrease to 1,425k accounts, of which 643k were prime accounts (1,431k and 656k respectively at December 31 2015) primarily driven by heightened competition in the current account market as evidenced by the material increase in competitors' switching incentives. Notwithstanding the modest decrease in current accounts, current account balances increased during the same period
- Continued investment in the brand with a new advertising campaign based around ethical credentials and supporting the Bank's distinct new 'Everyday Rewards' current account proposition. In addition, a new £150 current account switching offer was launched in May 2016
- The Bank's current account Net Promoter Score increased to 28 at the end of the first quarter (24 at the end of 2015), the Bank's highest score since October 2013. The Bank is still ranked #3 vs peers
- Outsourcing of mortgage servicing to Capita for existing operations is fully operational, whilst work continues on progressing the challenging and complex mortgage transformation programme with Capita
- New and improved online banking site launched recently in May 2016

Cost reduction programme remains on track for 2016

- Total Bank operating costs for Q1 2016 were 10% lower than the same period last year
- 54 branch closures announced in January 2016 are on track to be completed in the first half of 2016

Continued progress on the cornerstone IBM Enterprise Services Outsourcing (ESO) programme

- Since the programme entered implementation mode in early 2016, IBM has completed the build of the Primary (Warwick) and Secondary (Birmingham) data centres to Bank requirements. Connectivity between old and new data centres is in place and commissioning tests are at an advanced stage
- The successful move of the first set of systems (SWIFT, CHAPS and Treasury back office applications) into a new data centre operated by IBM in April 2016 was a significant milestone and the programme is on track to meet its key 2016 disaster recovery deliverables
- The overall project portfolio remains challenging and continues to be subject to rigorous ongoing prioritisation to manage resource and budget contention and there remains a risk of cost over-run. We will continue to actively manage the project portfolio with the result that some projects may be stopped, curtailed or re-prioritised

Progress addressing legacy issues

- Non-core has continued to perform broadly in line with expectations although there have been signs of weakness in demand and consequently pricing for certain kinds of assets which could impact the pace and cost of deleverage if it is sustained into the second half of the year
- Redress for Payment Protection Insurance (PPI) during Q1 2016 was marginally below forecast with lower inbound complaint levels partially offset by higher valid claims and uphold rates for selected products. The volume of future inbound complaints may ultimately depend on when the FCA start their proposed communications campaign
- In relation to Consumer Credit Act (CCA), the daily interest loss rate has reduced further to £7k at the end of April 2016 from >£100k in 2015. The programme was 87% complete at the end of April 2016
- Mortgage remediation activities were substantially progressed in Q1 2016 and the programme was 86% complete at the end of April 2016. A portion of the outstanding work includes potential redress and remediation in respect of auto capitalised arrears payments where we are waiting to see if the FCA issues guidance before determining our approach

Regulatory and capital update

- Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1) ratio stood at 14.1% at March 31 2016 (15.5% at December 31 2015) in line with expectations
- Total Bank RWAs reduced to £7.3bn at March 31 2016 from £7.4bn at December 31 2015
- As forecasted in the Bank's Updated Plan, accepted by the PRA, the Bank does not now meet its Individual Capital Guidance (ICG) and Combined Buffer. As noted in our Annual Report and Accounts, under the PRA rulebook, not meeting the Combined Buffer prevents the Bank from creating an obligation to pay variable remuneration during the period of non-compliance. To remain competitive and to enable the attraction and retention of employees, the Bank will need to change its remuneration structure and this is likely to increase costs

Niall Booker, Chief Executive Officer, said:

"During the first quarter of 2016, we have continued to make progress implementing the Bank's turnaround plan. Encouragingly, the performance of the Core Bank continues to improve particularly in terms of mortgage originations. Alongside this, we have seen an increase in our current account NPS scores which further emphasises the consistently strong service levels being delivered in our contact centres and branches alongside continued improvement in our digital channels. Progress has also been made in delivering the IT transformation and resilience required to address the historic underinvestment in systems and processes and to meet threshold conditions.

"Market conditions for asset sales meant that the pace of deleveraging in Non-core slowed during the first quarter and macroeconomic conditions remain uncertain which may affect the Bank's operating environment during the course of the turnaround plan. There is still considerable work ahead; the impact of CRDIV as well as the sheer breadth and complexity of the remediation programme continue to create additional cost pressure and the overall execution of the turnaround plan remains challenging. However, notwithstanding these issues, the achievements outlined above provide confidence that we are gradually developing a more resilient and sustainable bank."

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The ability of the Bank to implement its revised plan and to achieve the results set out in the plan requires the regulators' continued acceptance of the plan and entails particular challenges including (but are not limited to): ability to execute a substantial re-engineering of the Bank's operating model and a very large and complex IT remediation programme; ability to achieve targeted cost savings; ability to retain customers and deposits; the timing and quantum of impacts to capital from the Bank's asset reduction exercise; meeting its planned improvements in net interest margin; a possible deterioration in the quality of the Bank's asset portfolio; unplanned costs from (for example) conduct risk matters; ability to maintain the Bank's access at an appropriate cost to liquidity and funding and the ability of the Bank to raise further capital assumed in its revised plan. Any forward-looking statements made in this document speak only as of the date they are made and it should not be assumed that they have been revised or updated in the light of new information of future events. Except as required by the Prudential Regulation Authority, the Financial Conduct Authority, the London Stock Exchange plc or applicable law, The Co-operative Bank expressly disclaims any obligation or undertaking to release publicly any updates of revisions to any forward-looking statements contained in this document to reflect any change in The Co-operative Bank's expectations with regard thereto or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statement is based.

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