

**Company Registration No. 06621225**



**FCMB Bank (UK) Limited**

**PILLAR 3 DISCLOSURES**  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2016

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## **Introduction**

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### **1.1 Business Profile**

FCMB Bank (UK) Limited (the "Bank") is a limited banking company incorporated and registered in the United Kingdom with company registration number 6621225. The registered address is 81 Gracechurch Street, London, EC3V 0AU.

The principal activities of the Bank include trade finance, wholesale deposit-taking, corporate banking, and treasury operations focussing on Sub-Saharan Africa with a particular interest in Nigeria. It also "receives and transmits" institutional client orders for Nigerian listed securities for execution on the Nigerian Stock Exchange through CSL Stockbrokers Limited, a subsidiary of FCMB Group Plc.

### **1.2 Basis of Disclosure**

The Pillar 3 disclosures are unaudited and have been prepared by the Bank to meet the requirements of CRD IV and to provide information in line with Articles 431 to 455 of Capital Requirements Regulations (CRR) to the extent that this is not disclosed in the Audited Annual Report and Accounts of the Bank.

These disclosures are based on and derived from the same accounting and financial systems that are used in preparing the Audited Annual Report and Accounts of the Bank. The information has been internally reviewed and validated by the management.

The disclosures are provided as an annexure to the Audited Annual Report and Accounts. Given the size and simple business model of the Bank, it is our intention to disclose the information on an annual basis.

## **Governance and Risk Management**

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### **2.1 Risk Management Approach**

Based on its strategic business and operational objectives, the Bank is exposed to a wide range of risks such as credit, liquidity, market, operational, strategic and regulatory risks. The Board considers that effective risk management is critical to the achievement and sustainability of the Bank's strategic business objectives.

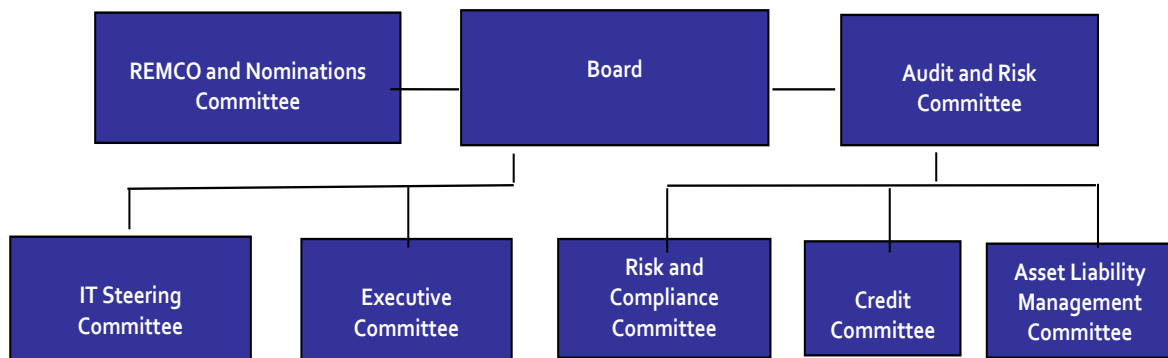
The risk management policies and practices are integrated and structured to identify, measure, monitor, anticipate and develop suitable mitigants to risks that may affect the achievement of the Bank's objectives.

### **2.2 Governance Structure**

The risk appetite of the Bank is set by the Board of Directors (the "Board") who also approve the risk management policies, limits and other measures of risk appetite. The Board has delegated responsibility for developing, implementing and updating these policies, control systems and limits to the executive and senior management team. The Bank operates a "Three Levels of Defence" model as part of its governance structure.

The Board, its committees and other management level committees provide appropriate support to assess the implications of the economic performance of the target markets, socio-political developments, and changes in the regulatory environment and sociopolitical trends in order to set the strategic direction of the business and risk management framework. They anticipate events so that corrective actions are taken in a timely manner.

The various committees are detailed chart below:



#### **2.2.1 Board Composition**

The Memorandum and Articles of Association of FCMB Bank UK specify that the number of Directors shall not be less than 2 and does not stipulate a maximum limit on the number of Directors. The Board currently comprises nine directors of which two are independent Non-Executive Directors (NEDs); three are Non-Executives, one of which is an alternate director, representing the First City Monument Bank Ltd (the parent), one NED and three Executive Directors (EDs).

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The directors have a mix of relevant skills and banking experience. The Board is responsible for control and governance of the Bank and each director also has specific responsibilities detailed in job specifications. The executive directors are responsible for the day-to-day management of the Bank and their individual portfolios.

To assist the Board in carrying out its functions and to provide independent oversight of the internal control and risk management framework, a substantial part of the Board's responsibilities are delegated to the Board's committees such as the Audit and Risk Committee (BARC), and Remunerations and Nominations Committee (REMCO). Each of the Committees is chaired by an experienced Chairman and comprises of NEDs only. The Board is kept up to date on the activities of the committees through reports from the Committee Chairman at each Board meeting. The committees are accountable to the Board and do not relieve the Board of any of its responsibilities.

1. **Board Audit and Risk Committee ("BARC")** - The BARC supports the Board to ensure and monitor the adequacy, extent and effectiveness of the internal control, corporate governance, and risk management framework. It review the relationship with the external auditors, including matters related to their independence and the scope of their audit; auditors' appointment and remuneration; to discuss any matters arising from the statutory audit and recommendations made by the auditor. In addition it approves the internal audit plan and periodically reviews the findings of Internal Audit and management responses and progress in implementing recommendations made by the internal audit.
2. **Remuneration and Nominations Committee ("REMCO")** - The REMCO determines the remuneration policy of the Bank and recommends to the Board on policy and structure for all remuneration and fees of Directors and senior management. The Committee is responsible to ensure that the Board remains balanced both in terms of skills and experience, and between Executive and Non-Executive Directors. It is authorised to lead the process for appointments to the Board, and make recommendations to the Board, ensuring there is a formal, rigorous and transparent procedure.

### **2.2.2 Board Meetings**

The Board meetings are scheduled a minimum four times in a year to enable the Directors to regularly review corporate strategy, the operations and the results of the business and to discharge their duties within a framework of prudent and effective controls.

At times, discussions may take place outside formal Board meetings, and it is always ensured that the Board meetings are genuine and have open discussions with the chairman leading the way.

### **2.2.3 Management Committees**

The Board has delegated the day to day management and business of the Bank to the Executive Directors and to the following management level committees:

1. **Executive Committee (EXCO)** - The EXCO is mandated to take all steps necessary to conduct the day to day business of the Bank within the confines of the Board approved strategy, risk appetite, policies,

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operating plans, and budgets. It meets on a monthly basis and additional meetings are held as the work of the EXCO demands.

2. **Risk & Compliance Committee (RCC)** - The RCC is authorized to review and monitor the risks the Bank is facing across its business lines, products and geographies against the Board approved risk appetite and more generally, to establish procedures and identify solutions to minimize or mitigate those risks. It meets on a monthly basis and additional meetings are held as the work of the Committee demands.
3. **Credit Committee** - The Credit Committee has been delegated the responsibility by the Board to oversee and scrutinize the Bank's credit risk. It meets on a monthly basis and additional meetings are held as the work of the Committee demands.
4. **The Assets and Liabilities Committee (ALCO)** – The ALCO has delegated the responsibility to manage the Bank's market, liquidity and balance sheet (asset and liabilities) risks. It meets on a monthly basis and additional meetings are held as the work of the Committee demands.
5. **IT Steering Committee (ITSC)** - The IT Steering Committee is authorized to review, monitor and prioritize major IT projects of the Bank from a cross-functional perspective and in line with the directives of the Board and regulations. It meets as and when the work of the committee demands.

### **2.3 Assurance**

Mazars LLP is the external auditor of the Bank who audits and sign off the Annual Financial Statement and other reports on an annual basis.

The Bank has outsourced internal audit to Crowe Clark Whitehill (CCW), a London based audit firm. They provide the Board, through the Audit and Risk Committee, and senior management with an independent and objective assessment of the risk, control and governance arrangements in place.

CCW work to a Board approved Internal Audit Plan with a risk-based approach in order to independently assess the effectiveness and appropriateness of the internal control systems and provide assurance to the Board. Furthermore, CCW has undertaken a self- assessment of their scope of activities in accordance with a Guidance Document, "Effective Internal Audit in the Financial Services Sector", prepared by the Institute of Internal Auditors. This is to ensure all risks are identified on an annual basis and the Internal Audit Plan is devised accordingly.

In addition, the Group Internal Audit carries out an annual audit as part of standard group practice and also as mandated by the Nigerian Central Bank. A copy of the report is shared with the Bank's internal and external auditors.

## Capital Resources

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### 3.1 Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process (ICAAP)

The Bank manages its capital through an ICAAP and the Individual Capital Guidance (ICG) stipulated by the PRA. The capital adequacy is monitored regularly based on the business profile.

The Bank manages its capital structure and makes adjustments to it according to changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of its activities. In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Bank may adjust the amount of dividend payment to shareholders, return capital to shareholders or issue capital securities. No changes have been made to the objectives, policies, and processes from the previous years. However, they are under constant review by management.

### 3.2 Total Capital Available

The following disclosures are in accordance with the requirements of the Capital Requirements Directive and as submitted to the Prudential Regulation Authority and do not reflect any adjustments to the financial statements which are not considered to be material.

Deductions from pillar 1 capital are goodwill and AFS reserve.

\$'000	2016	2015	2014
<b><u>Common equity Tier 1 (CET1)</u></b>			
Share capital	48,900	48,900	48,900
Retained earnings	(8,767)	(9,171)	(9,818)
<b><u>Regulatory deductions from CET1</u></b>			
AFS reserves	3	(11)	2
Intangible assets	(91)	(166)	(234)
Tier 2 capital	Nil	Nil	Nil
<b>Total regulatory capital (CAR)</b>	<b>40,045</b>	<b>39,522</b>	<b>38,850</b>
Required capital including buffer	14,657	16,093	14,965
Surplus Capital	25,388	23,429	23,885
Risk weighted assets	61,559	57,557	50,527
Tier 1 capital ratio	55%	33%	75%

Tier 1 capital is comprised of 48,900,000 issued and fully paid at \$1 each share and retained earnings.

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### 3.3 Minimum Capital Requirements

\$'000	2016	2015	2014
<i>(8% of Own funds requirement)</i>			
<b>Credit Risk</b>	4,924	4,605	4,042
Central Governments & Central Banks	0	0	0
Corporate	59	151	612
Financial Institutions	4,865	4,454	3,430
Public Sector entities	Nil	Nil	Nil
Short term claims on institutions	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other items	Nil	Nil	Nil
<b>Market Risk</b>	24	15	24
<b>Operational Risk</b>	635	799	799
<b>Total Pillar 1 Capital</b>	<b>5,583</b>	<b>5,419</b>	<b>4,865</b>



## **Risk Appetite**

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### **4.1 Risk Appetite**

The overarching appetite remains embedded within the Bank's strategy and is to avoid losses in all aspects, whilst recognising that losses are an inevitable consequence of doing business albeit it is managed and monitored within pre-defined tolerance limits. To this end the Bank continues the desire for sustained diversified growth through the provision of services and efficient deployment of funds in products and geographies that we understand. Ultimately to deliver good customer outcomes with healthy returns commensurate with the risk and reward dynamics.

### **4.2 Credit Risk**

Credit risk is the risk of loss as a result of any market counterparties failing to fulfill their contractual obligations. The Bank follows the 'Standardised Approach' to credit risk management as prescribed in the Capital Resources Requirements and Capital Requirement Directive IV. Credit risk is managed through credit approval processes; the credit approving authority structure; setting and monitoring of prudential exposures and country/counterparty limits; portfolio management and risk based pricing.

#### **4.2.1 Exposures by Portfolio**

The Bank monitors the performance of all credit exposures. It classifies an exposure as past due whenever a due payment of interest or principal is overdue. The risk department is responsible for monitoring exposures. If it has a concern as to whether an exposure may be at risk of default this is referred to the credit committee. Exposures are classified as impaired if there is a reasonable probability of default. At present, the Bank has no impaired assets.

The maximum exposure by the class during the year was as follows:

<b>\$'000</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b><u>Credit Risk</u></b>			
Central Governments & Central Banks	4,981	4,960	5,000
Corporate	747	1,889	2,653
Financial Institutions	48,555	56,537	31,224
Public Sector entities	Nil	Nil	Nil
Retail	Nil	Nil	Nil
Short term claims on institutions	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other items	Nil	Nil	Nil
<b>Maximum Exposure to Credit Risk</b>	<b>96,346</b>	<b>100,123</b>	<b>65,393</b>

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### 4.2.2 Geographical Distribution

The maximum exposure to credit risk by geographical regions:

\$'000	2016	2015	2014
<b>Credit Risk</b>			
<b>Counterparty Credit Risk</b>			
Germany	7,500	4,122	87
India	6,000	10,000	Nil
Kenya	4,981	4,960	Nil
Nigeria	48,562	57,047	29,552
United Kingdom	25,562	19,569	25,579
United States of America	2,989	4,424	4,425
Others	751	Nil	5,750
<b>Maximum Exposure to Credit Risk</b>	<b>96,346</b>	<b>100,123</b>	<b>65,393</b>

### 4.2.3 Internal & External Ratings

The Bank uses the Fitch Ratings and Moody's external Credit Assessment. These ratings are applied to the exposures to Institutions and Sovereigns.

The ratings are mapped as follows:

Credit Quality	Fitch Ratings	Moody's Rating	Internal	2016	2015	2014
High Grade	AAA to BBB-	Aaa to Baa3	1 to 10	41,951	34,126	24,678
Standard Grade	BB+ to B-	Ba1 to B3	11-16	41,978	43,417	24,805
Sub-standard Grade	CCC to C	Caa1 to C	17-23	Nil	Nil	Nil
Default	D	Nil	24	Nil	Nil	Nil
Not Rated	Nil	Nil	25	12,417	22,580	15,910
<b>Maximum Exposure to Credit Risk</b>				<b>96,346</b>	<b>100,123</b>	<b>65,393</b>

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### **4.3 Market Risk**

Market risk arises from fluctuations in capital values of traded assets and income thereon, interest rates, exchange rates or market prices of commodities. The Bank follows the standardised method for calculation of Pillar 1 capital.

The Bank does not maintain a trading book. It at times holds a bond portfolio in the Available for Sale ("AFS") book which exposes it to related interest rate, credit, and foreign exchange risks. The bonds are accordingly marked to market on a periodic basis.

The bulk of revenues is based in US Dollars. The Bank executes forex contracts to manage its own inherent transactions as the majority of the Bank's cost is in GB Pounds.

### **4.4 Operational Risk**

Operational risk is the risk of direct or indirect loss resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes, people and systems, or from external events arising from day-to-day operating activities. The operational risk requirement has been calculated using the Basic Indicator Approach. The operational risk is managed and mitigated in various ways including:

- Risk Policies and Procedures
- Recruitment process
- Monitoring of misses and near misses
- Business Continuity Planning testing and monitoring
- IT Security and Health Report

### **4.5 Liquidity Risk**

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Bank, although solvent, either does not have available sufficient financial resources to enable it to meet its obligations as they fall due, or can secure such resources only at excessive cost. The Bank manages its liquidity in accordance with the Liquidity Adequacy Rules in the PRA Handbook. The Individual Liquidity Adequacy Assessment Process (ILAAP) which sets the liquidity risk appetite, tolerance limits for cumulative mismatches in net cash flows in the maturity ladder and liquidity stress tests for idiosyncratic, market specific and a combination of both. In addition, the Bank maintains a Liquidity Asset Buffer (LAB) consisting of highly tradable securities as prescribed in the Individual Liquidity Guidance (ILG) by the PRA. In addition to the ILAAP the Bank has a Contingency Funding Plan and a process for the oversight of liquidity risk management process.

### **4.6. Interest Rate Risk**

Interest rate risk arises from the possibility that changes in interest rates affects future profitability or the fair value of financial instruments. Interest rate risk at the Bank is limited as the Bank does not have long term or complex interest rate positions. Most of the assets of the Bank are on a floating rate of interest with a margin over LIBOR. The liabilities are in a mix of fixed and floating rate of interest. Various mitigants such as matching maturities of assets and liabilities, identifying interest rate gaps, stipulating limits, monitoring market rate movements and covering cost of funds in the margin with LIBOR as a buffer are used to manage interest rate risk.

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### **4.7 Other Material Risks**

Other material risks highlighted under Pillar 2 process includes:

- Business Risk
- Concentration Risk
- Conduct Risk
- Financial Crime Risk
- Group Risk
- Legal Risk
- Reputational Risks
- Strategic Risk
- Systems and Controls
- Various other risks such as business continuity risk, macro and economic risks.

## **Remuneration Policy**

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In accordance with financial services regulatory requirements, the Bank has a remuneration policy in place. Under the UK Remuneration Code, the Bank is classified as a proportionality tier 3 level firm and as such has adopted a proportional approach, dis-applying certain provisions where appropriate, in accordance with regulatory guidance.

### Quantitative Disclosures:

<b>\$'000</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b><u>Total Remuneration</u></b>	3,216	3,633	3,929
Average Headcount	29	24	24
Fixed remuneration	29	24	24
Variable remuneration	0	0	0
Deferred cash award	Nil	Nil	Nil

The Bank is required to submit an annual High Earners Return to the PRA to advise them of staff whose remuneration is over €1m (€500,000 as at 31.12.2016). The Bank does not have any staff who qualify as high earners under the definition of "High Earners" and therefore a nil return has been submitted for 2016.