



Pillar 3 Disclosures

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Please note this document relates to Tilney Smith & Williamson Limited as it reflects the position as at 31 December 2021. The business rebranded to Evelyn Partners on June 14 2022.

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Executive summary

This document presents the Pillar 3 disclosure of Tilney Smith & Williamson Prudential Consolidated Group ('TSW', 'PCG' or 'Group'). The Pillar 3 disclosure is designed to promote market discipline through the disclosure of key information around capital, risk exposures and risk management of TSW.

Figure 1: Key information relating to the Group as at 31 December

	2021 £000	2020 £000
Total capital resources	225,310	208,313
Pillar 1 capital requirement	71,268	73,191
Total capital ratio	25.3%	22.8%

The ratios in **Figure 1** are in line with the risk management framework and risk appetite framework outlined in **Section 4**, this is continuously monitored by the Board. **Section 5 – 8** outlines the composition of capital resources, the minimum capital requirements and the material risks to the PCG. **Section 9** outlines the Group's remuneration policies.

1. Introduction

1.1 About Tilney Smith & Williamson

Tilney Smith & Williamson (TSW) is a leading financial services and professional services group with a rich heritage of supporting clients with their financial affairs for over 185 years. With a depth of expertise in financial planning, investment management and professional services, provided from offices across the UK, Ireland and the Channel Islands, TSW offer an unrivalled range of services to support our clients with the management of both their personal wealth and their business interests.

TSW had £57.7bn assets under management at 31 December 2021 and are a team of over 3,000 people operating from 27 locations across the UK, Ireland and Channel Islands, including 308 Investment Managers, 250 Financial Planners and 449 qualified professional services staff.

More details can be found in the 'Strategic Report' section of the 2021 Annual Report and Financial Statements.

1.2 Pillar 3 overview

This document presents the consolidated Pillar 3 disclosures of the TSW Prudential Consolidated Group as at 31 December 2021. It has been prepared in accordance with the Capital Requirements Directive (CRD) and the Capital Requirements Regulations (CRR), jointly referred to as CRD IV.

CRD IV is supplemented by regulatory technical standards and the UK Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) Prudential Sourcebook for Banks, Building Societies and Investment Firms (IFPRU) rulebook which are subject to change as certain aspects of CRD IV are dependent on clarifications to be issued by the EBA and adopted by the European Commission and the FCA.

The CRD IV framework consists of three pillars:

- Pillar 1: outlines the minimum capital requirements for a firm
- Pillar 2: requires firms and their regulatory supervisor to assess the amount of internal capital required to cover all the risks that are not adequately covered under the Pillar 1 requirements. This is implemented through the Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process (ICAAP) and through the subsequent Supervisory Review and Evaluation Process (SREP) undertaken by the FCA.
- Pillar 3: requires firms to publicly disclose key information of their risks, capital and risk management arrangements.

2. Disclosure policy

2.1 Basis of preparation

These disclosures have been prepared in accordance with CRD IV and the requirements laid out in Part Eight of the CRR. The disclosures in this document differ from similar information presented in the 2021 Annual Report and Financial Statements. The regulatory consolidation differs from the statutory consolidation as some Group entities are engaged in the business activities which are not required to be consolidated under CRD IV. This related mainly to the offerings in the Professional Services division of the Group. The reconciliation between figures reported in the Pillar 3 disclosure and the 2021 Annual Report and Financial Statements is shown in **Figure 3** of this document.

Article 432 of the CRR, permits institutions to omit one or more disclosures if the information provided by such disclosure is not regarded as material.

2.2 Frequency, media and location

The Group publishes its Pillar 3 disclosures annually, following the publication of the Annual Report and Financial Statements. The Group will reassess the need to publish some or all of the disclosures more frequently than annually if there are significant changes in relevant characteristics of the Group's business

such as scale of operations, range of activities, presence in different countries and other characteristics mentioned in Article 433 of the CRR.

The Pillar 3 disclosure is published and located on the TSW website <https://www.tsandw.com/>

2.3 Verification and risk profile

This Pillar 3 disclosure document has been reviewed by the Group Risk & Compliance Committee (GRCC), Risk and Audit Committee (RAC) and the Board to ensure that it is consistent with formal policies adopted regarding its production and validation.

Information in this report has been prepared solely to:

- meet the disclosure requirements under CRD IV for the entities forming the Prudential Consolidated Group see **Figure 2**
- disclose specified information about capital and other risks
- provide details about the management of those risks

The Pillar 3 disclosures are not subject to audit except where they are equivalent to those prepared under financial reporting requirements and disclosed in the 2021 Annual Report and Financial Statements. Wherever possible and relevant, the Board will ensure consistency between Pillar 3 disclosures, Pillar 1 reporting and Pillar 2 ICAAP content e.g. disclosure about risk management practices and own funds at the year end. Where appropriate, cross references have been made to supporting disclosures that are included within the 2021 Annual Report and Financial Statements. As such, these disclosures should be read in conjunction with that document.

The Group is required to assess whether its external disclosures portray its risk profile comprehensively in order to comply with Part Eight of the CRR. **Section 4** of this Pillar 3 document outlines the Group's approach to risk management. A full analysis can be found in the 2021 Annual Report and Financial Statements.

2.4 Investment Prudential Investment Regime

The Investment Firms Prudential Regime (IFPR) came into force on 1 January 2022 and will replace the current rules under CRR. IFPR introduces a new capital adequacy and risk assessment and supervisory review and evaluation process - the Internal Capital and Risk Assessment (ICARA). ICARA focuses on the potential harms posed to consumers, clients and markets, as well as the firm itself, whilst introducing a basic liquidity requirement for all investment management firms and new remuneration policies. The new regime is not expected to have a material impact on our capital requirements.

3. Scope of consolidation

3.1 Regulatory consolidation

TSW is the parent undertaking for all authorised financial services firms within the Group. These solo regulated financial services entities (listed in **Figure 2**) are collectively referred to as the Prudential Consolidated Group (PCG) throughout this document. There are additional entities included within the PCG which are not regulated on a solo basis but are providing an ancillary service or are a holding company to a regulated entity. As outlined in **Section 2.1** the regulatory consolidation differs from the statutory consolidation as some Group entities are not engaged in the provision of regulated financial services.

All companies included in the PCG, other than Smith & Williamson Investment Management LLP (SWIM LLP) and Tilney Financial Planning Limited (TFP), are limited by ordinary shares. Other than the requirement to hold regulatory capital within some of the PCG entities, there are no practical or legal impediments to the prompt transfer of capital between TSW and its principal subsidiaries. All subsidiaries are 100% owned by TSW or the immediate parent. The regulated entities which constitute the PCG at 31 December 2021 are shown in **Figure 2**.

The Group's lead regulator is the FCA and the PCG includes entities subject to regulations by other governing bodies including the Central Bank of Ireland (CBI), the Jersey Financial Services Commission (JFSC) and the Guernsey Financial Services Commission (GFSC).

All Group entities subject to prudential capital requirements exceeded minimum requirements throughout the year on a standalone basis.

Figure 2: PCG regulated entities covered by the Pillar 3 disclosures as at 31 December 2021

Company	Prudential classification	Activities
Bestinvest (Consultants) Ltd	IPRU (INV)	Advisory services
HW Financial Services Ltd	IPRU (INV)	Advisory services
Index Fund Advisors Ltd	IPRU (INV)	Advisory services
HFS Milbourne Financial Services Ltd	IPRU (INV)	Advisory services
Smith & Williamson (S&W) Corporate Finance Ltd	IFPRU – €50k limited licence (subject to CRD IV)	Corporate finance services
S&W Financial Services Ltd	IFPRU – €50k limited licence (subject to CRD IV)	Financial services
S&W Fund Administration Ltd	Collective Portfolio Management – €125k UCITS and AIFM firm	Fund administration services including acting as Authorised Corporate Director for Open Ended Investment Companies (OEICs) and as the authorised fund manager for unit trusts. The company is responsible for the setup and ongoing administration of the funds
S&W International Ltd	Regulated by the JFSC and the Financial Services (Jersey) Law 1998	Investment management services in Jersey
S&W Investment Management (Europe) Ltd	Regulated by the CBI and authorised MiFID investment firm	Investment management services in Dublin
S&W Investment Management (Ireland) Ltd	Regulated by the CBI and authorised UCITS firm	The company is engaged in the management of Smith & Williamson Investment Funds plc, an open-ended investment company
S&W Investment Management LLP	BIPRU – €50k limited licence	Investment management services. The core service is discretionary private client management.
S&W Investment Services Ltd	IFPRU – €125k limited licence (subject to CRD IV)	Provision of dealing and custody services. Derivatives activity on behalf of clients
Tilney Asset Management Ltd	BIPRU – €50k limited licence	Investment management services
Tilney Asset Management (Guernsey) Ltd	Regulated by GFSC under The Protection of Investors (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law, 1987	Asset manager in Guernsey
Tilney Asset Management Services Ltd	BIPRU – €50k limited licence	Investment management services
Tilney Discretionary Investment Management Ltd	BIPRU – €50k limited licence	Investment management services including bespoke discretionary portfolios and model portfolios
Tilney Discretionary Portfolio Management Ltd	IFPRU – €125k limited licence (subject to CRD IV)	Investment management services
Tilney Financial Planning Ltd	IPRU - INV	Financial advice
Tilney Investment Management	IFPRU – €125k limited licence (subject to CRD IV)	Investment management services including bespoke discretionary portfolios, model portfolios and non-discretionary managed services.
Tilney Investment Management Services Ltd	IFPRU – €125k limited licence (Subject to CRD IV)	Discretionary, advisory and self-directed investment services

3.2 Prudential consolidation

Figure 3 below provides a reconciliation of the Group's Balance Sheet on an IFRS10 accounting basis (which includes all Group subsidiaries) to the PCG Balance Sheet prepared in accordance with CRD IV.

Figure 3: Reconciliation of audited financial statements to regulatory Balance Sheet

	As at 31 December 2021		PCG Balance Sheet
	Group statutory Balance Sheet	Elimination of non-PCG entities under CRD IV	
	£000	£000	£000
Assets			
Intangible assets	1,255,038	(71,437)	1,183,601
Other non-current assets	127,731	119,423	247,154
Non-current assets	1,382,769	47,986	1,430,755
Current assets	410,943	(39,177)	371,766
Total assets	1,793,712	8,809	1,802,521
Total liabilities	402,428	14,631	417,059
Net assets	1,391,284	(5,822)	1,385,462
Equity			
Share capital	1,050,894	51,660	1,102,554
Share premium	51,660	(51,660)	-
Retained earnings and other reserves	288,730	(5,822)	282,908
Total equity	1,391,284	(5,822)	1,385,462¹

¹ referenced in Figure 5

4. Risk management

This section details the Group's approach to risk management. A full analysis can be found in 'Strategic Report – Principal Risks and Uncertainties' of the 2021 Annual Report and Financial Statements. The purpose of risk management is to develop processes and tools that assist the Group to identify, assess, monitor and manage those key risks that are inherent in the Group's business activities, in line with the Board's strategic objectives and risk appetite. At TSW, risk management arrangements form part of a strong governance culture, built upon the Three Lines of Defence governance model under which primary responsibility for identifying and controlling risks rests with the Group's businesses (the first line of defence). Ultimate responsibility for ensuring the adequacy and effectiveness of risk management rests with the Board, with oversight provided by the RAC.

The Group has a Risk and Compliance function which provides the second line of defence. This function is led by the Group Chief Risk Officer who has an independent reporting line to the Chair of the RAC and a right of access to the Chair of the Board. The Group Chief Risk Officer is a member of the Group Executive Committee and attends the RAC meetings.

The third line of defence consists of the internal audit function, which provides assurance to senior management that business processes and controls are operating effectively. The internal audit function identifies any processes and control deficiencies and monitors remediation plans.

Over the last year, the Group has focused on consolidating and enhancing its risk management and compliance capabilities to facilitate risk awareness and further enhance the implementation and effectiveness of the risk management framework. The risk management framework is underpinned by policies, procedures, and reporting, all of which have been enhanced over the course of the year and will continue to evolve to produce accurate and timely management information to meet the needs of the Group, as it seeks to deliver its strategic objectives.

Action is taken where risks fall outside of the Group's risk appetites, which are defined at both the operational resilience and business-as-usual threshold levels, or where the need for remedial action is recognised in respect of any weaknesses identified in relation to mitigating controls.

4.1 Risk management framework

The objectives of the risk management framework are to:

- facilitate risk-awareness across the Group
- facilitate the effective identification, assessment, monitoring and management of risks.

The risk management framework assists the organisation in the resilient provision of high-quality service to our clients and encourages the continuous improvement of the Group's processes and controls.

The risk management framework includes components that:

- establish methods for identifying and assessing risk
- provide an approach to capturing, reporting and monitoring risk
- provide appropriate mechanisms for managing risk.

Figure 4: Risk Management Framework



4.2 Risk management methodology

The risk management methodology within the risk management framework consists of the following eight complimentary tools:

Materiality Matrix – developed over the last 12 months and central to the Group’s ability to assess risk and the understanding of the impacts. The Materiality Matrix provides the ability for the Group to consistently assess and manage risks at both the business-as-usual and operational resilience threshold levels.

Key risk assessment – central to the risk management framework are the key risks. The key risks are identified using scenario analysis, verified by the bottom-up risk assessment. Assessing each key risk and its potential impact in the business is a fundamental part of the risk management methodology and is continually reviewed and developed. The business help contribute to the assessment through:

- Top-down risk assessments
- Risk and control self-assessments
- Risk events
- Monitoring of the external environment.

Scenario analysis – undertaken at different levels of probability. Generally, multiple scenarios will be assessed for each key risk. The assessment presents an impact analysis on the business, including the financial impact.

Control appetite – the level of control that is in place relevant to the risk. Where the control is not sufficient, the business will put in place a mitigation plan.

Risk appetite – a top-down process that is verified by each division of the business and also by reference to internal and external experience of risk events.

Risk reporting (dashboard) – a mechanism used by the Group to manage risk. The dashboard presents each key risk, its current RAG (Red, Amber or Green) rating, key risk indicator scores, risk events and outstanding remediation actions, where required.

Risk and control self-assessment (RCSA) – undertaken by all business units and then independently reviewed and challenged by the Risk function. The RCSA is a process-focused assessment linked to the key risks.

Risk event process (REV) – designed to capture, report, monitor and remediate process, control and system failures.

4.3 Other risk management disclosures

Other disclosures required under Article 435 regarding directorships held by the Board, recruitment policies for the Board, diversity objectives and policies and information on the separate risk committees are detailed in the 2021 Annual Report and Financial Statements.

5. Own funds

This section provides a reconciliation between the audited financial statements to the regulatory own funds, the capital ratios and descriptions of the main features.

5.1 Regulatory capital – own funds

Figure 5: PCG own funds as at 31 December

	2021 £000	2020 £000
Share capital	1,102,554	186
Share premium	-	1,132,986
Retained earnings and other reserves	282,908	262,363
Own funds before deductions	1,385,462²	1,395,535
Deductions		
Goodwill and intangible assets (net of deferred tax liabilities) ³	(1,073,286)	(1,104,984)
Defined benefit pension fund assets (net of deferred tax liabilities) ⁴	(7,491)	(644)
Qualifying holdings outside the financial sector ⁵	(79,375)	(81,594)
	(1,160,152)	(1,187,222)
Common Equity Tier 1 after deductions	225,310	208,313
Additional Tier 1 capital	-	-
Tier 2 capital	-	-
Own funds	225,310	208,313

² refer to [Figure 3](#)

The Group's own funds are classified according to the characteristics of permanency and loss absorbing capacity as explained below:

5.1.1 Common Equity Tier 1 capital

The PCG's regulatory capital consists entirely of CET1 capital. This consists of permanent ordinary share capital, retained earnings and other reserves. Deductions from CET1 capital for regulatory purposes include goodwill and other intangible assets, defined benefit pension scheme assets and qualifying holdings outside the financial sectors.

³ Goodwill and other intangible assets in accordance with CRD IV are amounts to be deducted net of the associated deferred tax liabilities.

⁴ The defined benefit pension fund assets in accordance with CRD IV are amounts to be deducted net of the associated deferred tax liabilities.

⁵ The qualifying holdings deduction relates to the investment in subsidiaries that is not eliminated on prudential consolidation. This relates to the PS division and the deduction is set at a threshold of 15% of eligible capital.

CET1 represents capital with the highest degree of loss absorbency.

5.1.2 Additional Tier 1 and Tier 2 capital

The Group has not issued any Additional Tier 1 or Tier 2 instruments.

6. Capital requirements

The Group's overall regulatory capital requirements are determined after performing Pillar 1 capital calculations, assessing Pillar 2 capital requirements and considering any Individual Capital Guidance (ICG) or fixed add-ons issued by the FCA.

The calculation of Pillar 1 and Pillar 2 capital requirements allows the Group to determine, and subsequently monitor, the appropriate amount of capital to be held based on its risk profile. The Group's capital requirement is determined by taking the sum of:

- i. The higher of Pillar 1 and Pillar 2 requirements
- ii. Plus, if applicable any additional ICG or fixed-add on proposed by the FCA

6.1 Pillar 1 requirement

Pillar 1 focuses on the capital requirements set out in the CRR. This is determined as the higher of:

- i. The sum of credit, counterparty and market risk requirements
- ii. The Fixed Overhead Requirement (FOR).

A summary of the calculation is shown in **Figure 6**.

Figure 6: PCG Pillar 1 capital requirements as at 31 December

	2021 £000	2020 £000
Credit and counterparty credit risk	29,188	25,980
Market risk	-	-
Total of credit and market risk - (i)	29,188	25,980
Fixed overhead requirement (FOR) - (ii)	71,268	73,191
Higher of (i) or (ii) - Pillar 1 capital requirement (iii)	71,268	73,191
Total risk weighted exposure (iii * 12.5) ^	890,850	914,888

6.2 Capital ratios

As per the CRR, the Group shall at all times satisfy the following own fund requirements:

- A Common Equity Tier 1 capital ratio 4.5 %
- A Tier 1 capital ratio of 6 %
- A total capital ratio of 8 %

These ratios require the own funds to be expressed as a percentage of the total risk exposure. The total risk exposure is the Pillar 1 capital requirement (£71.3m) multiplied by 12.5, being £890.9m as shown in **Figure 7**.

Figure 7: Total capital ratio as at 31 December

	2021 £000	2020 £000
Owns funds - refer to Figure 5	225,310	208,313
Pillar 1 requirement - refer to Figure 6	71,268	73,191
Risk weighted exposures - refer to Figure 6	890,850	914,888
Total capital ratio	25.3%	22.8%

The minimum capital requirements and ratios have been constantly met throughout the year.

6.3 Pillar 2 requirement

The Pillar 2 capital requirement serves as a challenge to the capital requirements calculated under Pillar 1. This requires firms to assess the amount of internal capital required to cover all risks that are not adequately covered under Pillar 1 requirements. As such Pillar 2 capital requirements are supplementary to the Pillar 1 requirements.

The assessment as to the adequacy of Pillar 1 capital is continuously reviewed and is updated annually in the ICAAP document. In addition, firms are required to consider the costs associated with winding down the Group in an orderly manner and this is updated annually in the Wind Down Plan document.

The Pillar 2 capital requirements are outside the scope of this disclosure.

7. Credit risk adjustments

7.1 Credit risk

Definition

Credit risk is the loss arising from a client or counterparty failing to meet their financial obligations as and when they fall due.

Exposure

The PCG incurs exposure to credit risk during their commercial activities. The Board has an appetite for credit risk provided that such risk is proportionate, prudent and sustainable. Credit risk principally arises from deposits with multiple banking counterparties and third-party providers who act as custodian or trustee for some of the Groups investment funds.

Other credit risks include property, plant and equipment, right-of-use assets, trade and other receivables, equity investment, tax assets and settlement balances.

Monitoring

The Group policy requires that firms' cash is placed with counterparties or groups of counterparties approved by the Board, or duly delegated Committee, after reference to each counterparty's Fitch rating. Exposures are monitored on a daily basis and reviewed by the treasury department and, at the instigation of the Credit Review Committee under advice to the Board or duly delegated Committee, a counterparty may be suspended and/or funds withdrawn, or a holding liquidated if market conditions dictate.

Third parties are subject to oversight by the GRCC:

- Material outsourcers reported and monitored via the monthly GRCC
- Regular service provision meetings with third parties.
- The performance of material outsource providers is tracked monthly; structured oversight meetings and performance indicators provide engagement and challenge; participation in disaster recovery testing.

Measurement

The PCG calculates credit risk under the standardised approach. Under the standardised approach risk weights are applied to each exposure depending on the counterparty's credit quality, type of exposure and maturity. This provides a risk-weighted exposure (RWE) and 8% is applied to the RWE amount to provide a capital requirement.

The Pillar 1 credit risk capital requirement at 31 December 2021 was £29.2m (2020 - £26.0m); **Figure 8** of this document provide further analysis of credit risk exposure.

Figure 8: Analysis of the PCG's credit risk capital requirement by exposure class

	As at 31 December 2021 £'000	Risk weighted exposures £'000	8% of risk weighted exposures £'000
Institutions	208,573	41,715	3,337
Equity	49,707	49,707	3,977
Other	271,267	273,430	21,874
Total	529,547	364,852	29,188

'Other' items include settlement balances, trade and other receivables, and fixed assets.

The material exposure classes are in the United Kingdom, to clients and financial institutions, with a residual maturity of less than one year.

7.2 Analysis of past due and impaired exposures

Past due exposures are defined when a counterparty has failed to make a payment when contractually due and impaired exposure are defined when the entity does not expect to collect all the contractual cash flows when they are due. The accounting policy for impairment of financial assets is described in note 3 of the 2021 Annual Report and Financial Statements.

As at 31 December 2021, the PCG had no impaired assets for which a specific or general provision was required. There were no material assets past due greater than 90 days. The PCG did not incur any material write-offs of bad debts or make any recovery of amounts previously written off during the year.

7.3 Use of External Credit Assessment Institutions

The standardised approach to credit risk requires institutions to calculate the risk weights for rated counterparties using the risk assessments prepared by External Credit Assessment Institutions (ECAIs). Fitch Ratings has been nominated for this purpose. These assessments are used within the PCG as part of the calculation of risk weights for institutional exposures.

Exposures are assigned to one of six credit quality steps, where ratings are available. Exposure class and maturity are then used to assign the applicable risk weight.

Figure 9: Mapping of ECAI long term rating to credit quality step as at 31 December 2021

	Credit quality step 1 £'000	Credit quality step 2 £'000	Unrated ¹ £'000	Total £'000
Fitch Ratings	AAA to AA-	A+ to A-		
Institutions	97,046	111,527	0	208,573
Equity	-	-	49,707	49,707
Other	-	-	271,267	271,267
Total	97,046	111,527	320,974	529,547

¹ Unrated exposures include investment in subsidiaries outside the PCG, items in the course of settlement and other less material unrated exposures.

8. Risk exposures

8.1 Counterparty credit risk

Definition

Counterparty credit risk is the risk that a counterparty to a transaction default before final settlement of the transaction's cash flow.

Exposure

The PCG is exposed to counterparty credit risk because of clients' activity, in respect of Delivery versus Payment (DvP) and arises through the market settlement cycle. The PCG does not have a large exposure to this risk as transactions are executed on a DvP basis wherever possible, across several pre-approved counterparties.

Monitoring

The settlement cycle is monitored daily by the Group's settlement operations function. Procedures and controls are in place to promptly rectify unmatched transactions.

Measurement

Counterparty credit risk is measured on a mark-to-market basis.

8.2 Market risk

Definition

Market risk arises from fluctuations in the value of, or income from, assets (equity, fixed interest, or other traded markets), interest rates or foreign exchange rates that impact the PCG's financial position.

8.2.1 Foreign exchange risk

Exposure

The PCG does not have a trading book or trade on a proprietary basis. The PCG has foreign exchange positions to support client activity and acts in an agency capacity on behalf of its clients and consequently can be exposed to:

- Temporary positions arising from trading errors
- Immaterial foreign exchange positions to facilitate client activities

To facilitate derivative trading by clients the PCG enters derivative contracts on an agency basis in which the PCG's exposure to the market is offset by an equivalent trade with the client.

Monitoring

Control over the foreign exchange exposure is achieved by limiting the net forward book to £0.5m in any one currency and £1m in aggregate overnight, with an intraday limit of £1m in any one currency and £2m in aggregate.

Clients' positions in derivatives contracts are monitored to ensure margin requirements are covered by adequate levels of collateral.

Measurement

The PCG calculates market risk under the standardised approach. The PCG is primarily exposed to foreign exchange risk which is calculated per Articles 351 and 352 of the CRR. The Pillar 1 capital requirement for market risk at 31 December 2021 was £nil (2020 - £nil).

8.2.2 Equity risk

Exposure

The PCG is exposed to equity market risk through its equity holdings. These comprise:

- Long term equity holdings in listed and unlisted entities that are not part of the long-term strategy of the Group and are classified as non-trading book.
- Seed capital exposures which are necessary for launching new funds/products. The PCG does not place seed capital for trading intent, but for client product facilitation.

Monitoring

The Board has delegated responsibility to Group Executive Committee (GEC) for monitoring the performance and appropriateness of the Group's unlisted equity investments and the role they fulfil in the execution of Group strategy.

Measurement

An overview of the accounting techniques and valuation methodologies used, including key assumptions, is contained in note 26 of the 2021 Annual Report and Financial Statements.

Unrealised gains recognised in other comprehensive income and included within the PCG's CET1 capital was £0.4m as at 31 December 2021 (2020 - £0.8m).

In April 2021, the Group sold its entire non-controlling equity interest of 5,427 shares in Euroclear plc for a cash consideration of €9.1 million (£7.9 million converted to GBP). This investment was held as a long-term strategic investment and therefore classified as equity investment securities designated at fair value through other comprehensive income. In line with the Group's accounting policy, changes in fair value of the investment are measured at fair value through other comprehensive income and are not subsequently transferred to profit or loss.

In October 2021, CG Asset Management Limited bought back 3,131 B shares owned by the Group for a cash consideration of £0.8 million. At the balance sheet date, the Group held a non-controlling equity interest of 6,489 B shares and 3,631 C shares in CG Asset Management Limited which is valued on an earnings yield basis.

8.2.3 Interest rate risk

Definition

Interest rate risk is the risk to earnings or capital due to significant unexpected changes in interest rates.

Exposure

The PCG is exposed to interest rate risk in respect of:

- Firm's cash held with counterparties and on client money balances
- The Revolving Credit Facility of £40m, of which £nil (2020 - £25m) was drawn down

Monitoring

The Board regularly considers exposure to interest rate risk with increased monitoring undertaken in periods of increased interest rate volatility. Firm's cash and client money balances are both held on a short-term basis to mitigate interest rate risk and there is a hedge in place to mitigate against interest rate fluctuation for the PCG borrowings.

Measurement

The PCG considers interest rate risk as part of the ICAAP and it is assessed under the Pillar 2 capital requirement.

8.3 Operational risk

Definition

Operational risk is the risk of loss resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes, people and systems, or from external events.

Exposure

The PCG is exposed to operational risk which may arise from:

- Internal or external fraud
- Business disruption due to system failures, execution, delivery and process management
- Employment practices and workplace safety
- Damage to physical assets
- Clients, products, regulatory and business practices

Monitoring

The Group's objective is to both control and manage operational risk in a cost-effective manner consistent with the Board's appetite. The Board manages this risk through a variety of policies, procedures, controls and mitigation techniques, including the use of insurance. The Board also has a number of sub-committees to provide more granular oversight over key areas of risk.

Measurement

The PCG is not required to hold Pillar 1 capital under the FCA's standardised approach for operational risk. The PCG assesses the Pillar 2 capital requirement through the Operational Risk Assessment Process which is embedded into the Risk Management Framework and ICAAP.

8.4 Capital risk

Definition

Capital risk is the risk that the Group does not have adequate amounts or quality of capital, or that capital is inefficiently deployed across the Group.

Exposure

The PCG is exposed to capital risk when it has insufficient capital:

- To safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and meet stakeholders' expectations
- To support the future strategy and development of the business
- To comply with the regulatory requirements

Monitoring

The PCG's capital is actively managed and monitoring surplus capital is a key factor of the planning processes and stress testing. Regularly monitoring of the capital position for the PCG and its solo regulated entities are presented to the GRCC, RAC and Board. This includes the surplus capital against the internal capital buffer set as part of the risk appetite by the Board. The Board has set an internal capital buffer more than the minimum capital set by the FCA and is a key risk indicator, to ensure capital levels are maintained.

As part of the ICAAP the Group identifies the level of current and future capital necessary for the PCG. This includes a base case and stress scenario projections.

Measurement

The capital requirements were outlined in [Section 6](#) and met with the own funds outlined in [Section 5](#).

8.5 Pension obligation risk

Definition

Pension obligation risk is the risk that the Group has a legal or constructive obligation to a defined benefit scheme which it is unable to meet as the liability becomes due.

Exposure

The PCG operates defined benefit schemes for qualifying employees which are closed to new members. The principal risk relates to poor performance of underlying assets, or adverse changes in underlying actuarial assumptions, that could lead to a scheme falling into a deficit position, requiring contributions to be increased.

Monitoring

The schemes are monitored by a board of trustees who assess investment performance and the need for further employer contributions.

Measurement

The pension schemes' valuations and further details are disclosed in note 33 of the 2021 Annual Report and Financial Statements.

The PCG considers pension obligation risk as part of the ICAAP and it is assessed under the Pillar 2 capital requirement.

8.6 Liquidity risk

Definition

The risk that the Group does not have sufficient financial resources available to enable it to meet its obligations as they fall due or can only secure such resources at excessive cost.

Exposure

The PCG is exposed to liquidity risk which may arise from:

- Temporary shortfall funding under the FCA's Client Asset Sourcebook rules
- Insufficient liquid funds to manage business operations

Monitoring

The Group has a Liquidity Risk Management Framework which details the governance, identification, management and monitoring of liquidity risk within the liquidity risk appetite. The framework also includes a Contingency Funding Plan.

Measurement

Liquidity stress tests are considered as part of the ICAAP.

9. Remuneration disclosure

9.1 Remuneration policy

The Group is subject to the FCA Remuneration Code (the Code) in respect of remuneration paid to CRD IV categorised code staff (Code Staff). A key objective of the Code is to ensure that remuneration policies promote effective risk management and that pay practices within firms do not encourage inappropriate risk taking by staff or result in an inappropriate quantum of risk remuneration being distributed relative to capital.

9.2 Proportionality

Enshrined in the European remuneration provisions is the principle of proportionality. The FCA have sought to apply proportionality in the first instance by categorising firms into 3 levels. The Group's regulated firms fall within the FCA's level 3 and, as such, this disclosure is made in line with the requirements for a level 3 firm. In particular, level 3 firms may, where appropriate, dis-apply the provisions imposed under CRD IV in respect of remuneration structures. These are the rules relating to bonus caps, payment of remuneration in retained shares or other instruments, deferral, ratio of variable remuneration to fixed remuneration, and post-award performance adjustment. The Remuneration Committee has determined that as a level 3 firm, it is appropriate for Tilney Smith & Williamson to dis-apply the structural requirements including the bonus cap requirement, payment in instrument, deferral, limits on the ratio of fixed to variable remuneration and post-award performance adjustment.

9.3 Decision-making process for the Remuneration policy

Tilney Smith & Williamson Limited and certain subsidiaries (together the Group Boards) have appointed a Remuneration Committee that is comprised of seven of the non-executive directors. The Committee reports directly to the Board. All key remuneration decisions are subject to approval by the Remuneration Committee. In discharging its responsibilities under its terms of reference, the Remuneration Committee works with the Chief Risk Officer to ensure that risks are properly considered in setting the overall remuneration for the Tilney Smith & Williamson Group, and in particular the incentive structures for the Executive Directors, Material Risk Takers, Senior Management and other key professions, as appropriate.

The Committee has approved a Remuneration Policy which is reviewed annually. In determining remuneration policy, the Remuneration Committee takes into account all factors it deems necessary, including relevant legal and regulatory requirements and associated guidance, as well as the risk and risk management implications of its decisions. The overall objective is to ensure that colleagues are provided with appropriate remuneration to encourage enhanced performance and recognise individual contribution to the success of the Tilney Smith & Williamson Group, in a fair, compliant and responsible manner and in line with market practice at the relevant time.

9.4 Remuneration policy principles

The Remuneration Committee considers all reward decisions with the following principles in mind:

- Operate an annual bonus plan which incentivises delivery against financial plans, particularly growth targets, and rewards the contribution colleagues make;
- Operate an incentive plan that rewards long term growth and retention;
- Consider total compensation against competitor benchmarks;
- Ensure that we can recruit and retain key talent; and
- Ensure that our approach is compliant and aligned with sound risk management.

These reward principles support the wider business objectives of the Tilney Smith & Williamson Group.

9.5 Identification of Material Risk Taker roles

Under CRD IV, each EU regulated entity is required to identify its Material Risk Takers ('MRTs'): these colleagues are those considered to have a material impact on the risk profile of the entity. The MRTs are identified and reviewed on an annual basis by the Remuneration Committee (or relevant entity Board) in line

with the criteria set out under EU regulations. In 2021, 93 roles have been identified as Material Risk Takers across all the CRD IV entities within the Tilney Smith & Williamson Group.

9.6 The link between pay and performance

Fixed remuneration is set at a level that is sufficient to attract and retain high calibre colleagues.

Variable incentives may be awarded to eligible colleagues where the performance of both the Group and the colleague substantiates the award and in accordance with the over-arching principles and parameters set by the Remuneration Committee. This will include bonuses, incentive payments, and any compensation payments deemed appropriate by the Committee. Any bonuses or incentive payments are link to corporate and individual performance and designed to promote the long-term success of the group.

The Committee keeps the balance between fixed and variable remuneration under review.

The Remuneration Policy only allows for variable remuneration through agreed incentive plans, and the rules of those incentive plans govern the delivery of variable remuneration. Therefore, it is not possible to pay variable remuneration through any vehicles that facilitate the avoidance of the remuneration regulations.

9.7 Controlled functions

The Risk & Compliance function operates independently as second line of defence and the Chief Risk Officer (CRO) has a direct line of reporting and escalation to the Chief Financial Officer, sits on the Executive Committee, and attends the Risk Committee and Audit Committee.

The Risk and Audit Committee approves the appointment/dismissal and the remuneration of the CRO in consultation with the Chair of the Board. The CRO has a reporting line into the Chair of the Risk & Audit Committee and right of access to the Chairman of the Board.

The Chair of the Risk and Audit Committee (RAC) and the Chair of the Board will specifically review the proposed bonus award for the CRO. Any potential conflict of interest associated with the CRO bonus award is mitigated through the plan being at the ultimate discretion of the Remuneration Committee.

Annual market benchmarking is carried out using McLagan and Willis Towers Watson remuneration surveys to ensure Tilney Smith & Williamson remains competitive and relevant in the remuneration of its control functions.

9.8 Quantitative remuneration information

The remuneration paid to 93 Code Staff and MRTs is as follows:

	£m
Fixed remuneration	18.1
Variable remuneration (all cash)	33.7
Total Remuneration	51.8

There are twenty individuals who received remuneration in excess of Eur 1 million. This is partly due to 2021 incorporating 2 bonus payments for Smith & Williamson colleagues as a result of coinciding performance periods.

10. Appendices

Appendix I – Own funds disclosure template as at 31 December 2021

	PCG £'000
Common Equity Tier 1 capital: instruments and reserves	
Capital instruments and the related share premium accounts	1,102,554
Retained earnings	283,908
Accumulated other comprehensive income (and other reserves)	(1,000)
Independently reviewed interim profits net of any foreseeable charge or dividend	-
Common Equity Tier 1 capital before regulatory adjustments	1,385,462
Common Equity Tier 1 capital: regulatory adjustments	
Intangible assets (net of related tax liability)	(1,073,286)
Defined-benefit pension fund assets	(7,491)
Exposure amount of the following items which qualify for a RW of 1250%, where the institution opts for the deduction alternative <i>of which: qualifying holdings outside the financial sector</i>	(79,375)
Total regulatory adjustments to Common Equity Tier 1¹	(1,160,152)
Common Equity Tier 1 capital	225,310
Additional Tier 1 capital: instruments	
Additional Tier 1 capital before regulatory adjustments	-
Additional Tier 1 capital: regulatory adjustments	-
Total regulatory adjustments to Additional Tier 1 capital	-
Additional Tier 1 capital	-
Tier 1 capital (T1 = CET1 + AT1)	225,310
Tier 2 capital: instruments and provisions	
Tier 2 capital before regulatory adjustments	-
Tier 2 capital: regulatory adjustments	-
Total regulatory adjustments to Tier 2 capital	-
Tier 2 capital	-
Total capital (TC = T1 + T2)	225,310
Total risk-weighted asset	890,850
Capital ratio and buffers	
Common Equity Tier 1 (as a percentage of total risk exposures)	25.3%
Tier 1 (as a percentage of total risk exposures)	25.3%
Total capital (as a percentage of total risk exposures)	25.3%
Common Equity Tier 1 available to meet buffers	20.8%
Amounts below the thresholds for deduction (before risk weighting)	
Direct and indirect holdings of the capital of financial sector entities where the institution does not have a significant investment in those entities	3,468

¹ Intangible assets and defined-benefit pension fund assets in accordance with CRD IV are amounts to be deducted net of the associated deferred tax liabilities. The qualifying holdings deduction relates to the investment in subsidiaries that is not eliminated on prudential consolidation. This relates to the PS division and the deduction is set at a threshold of 15% of eligible capital.

Appendix II – Main features of capital instruments as at 31 December 2021

Issuer	Tilney Smith & Williamson Limited
Unique identifier (e.g. CUSIP, ISIN or Bloomberg identifier for private placement)	Private placement
Governing law(s) of the institution	England & Wales
Regulatory treatment	
Transitional CRR rules	Common Equity Tier 1
Post-transitional CRR rules	Common Equity Tier 1
Eligible at solo/(sub-)consolidated/ solo & (sub-)consolidated	Consolidated
Instrument type	Ordinary shares
Amount recognised in regulatory capital	GBP 1.1bn
Nominal amount of instrument	
Issue price	0.10 pence
Redemption price	n/a
Accounting classification	Shareholders' equity
Original date of issuance	Ordinary shares: 21 October 2013
Perpetual or dated	Perpetual
Original maturity date	No maturity
Issuer call subject to prior supervisory approval	No
Optional call date, contingent call dates and redemption amount	n/a
Subsequent call dates, if applicable	n/a
Coupons / dividends	
Fixed or floating dividend/coupon	Floating
Coupon rate and related index	n/a
Existence of a dividend stopper	No
Fully discretionary, partially discretionary or mandatory (in terms of timing)	Fully discretionary
Fully discretionary, partially discretionary or mandatory (in terms of amount)	Fully discretionary
Existence of step up or other incentive to redeem	No
Non-cumulative or cumulative	Non-cumulative
Convertible or non-convertible	Non-convertible
If convertible, conversion trigger(s)	n/a
If convertible, fully or partially	n/a
If convertible, conversion rate	n/a
If convertible, mandatory or optional conversion	n/a
If convertible, specify instrument type convertible into	n/a
If convertible, specify issuer of instrument it converts into	n/a
Write down features	No
If write-down, write down trigger(s)	n/a
If write-down, full or partial	n/a
If write-down, permanent or temporary	n/a
If temporary write-down, description of write up mechanisms	n/a
Position in subordination hierarchy in liquidation	Subordinate to senior creditors
Non-compliant transitioned features	No
If yes, specify non-complaint features	n/a