

Independent Auditor's report to the members of Dublin Port Company

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion on the financial statements of Dublin Port Company (the 'Company')

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the Company as at financial year ended 31 December 2021 and of the profit for the financial year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the relevant financial reporting framework and, in particular, with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014.

The financial statements we have audited comprise:

- Summary of Significant Accounting Policies
- the Profit and Loss Account;
- the Statement of Comprehensive Income;
- the Balance Sheet;
- the Statement of Changes in Equity;
- the Statement of Cash Flows; and
- the related notes 1 to 32

The relevant financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is the Companies Act 2014 and FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" issued by the Financial Reporting Council ("the relevant financial reporting framework").

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (Ireland) (ISAs (Ireland)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are described below in the "Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements" section of our report.

We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Ireland, including the Ethical Standard issued by the Irish Auditing and Accounting Supervisory Authority, as applied to SME listed entities, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Summary of our audit approach

Key audit matters

The key audit matters that we identified in the current year were:

- Appropriateness of key assumptions used to determine retirement benefit liabilities

Within this report, any new key audit matters are identified with ■ and any key audit matters which are the same as the prior year identified with //.

Materiality

The materiality that we used in the current year was €1,515,000 which was determined on the basis of a percentage of Profit Before Tax.

Scoping

An audit was completed of Dublin Port Company.

Significant changes in our approach

No significant changes in our audit approach.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Our evaluation of the Directors' assessment of the Company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting included:

- Review of cash flow forecasts prepared by management;
- Testing clerical accuracy of the cash flow forecasts prepared;
- Assessing the historical accuracy of forecasts prepared by management; and
- Review of financing facilities in place including assessing the nature of facilities, repayment terms and covenants.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

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Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current financial year and include the most significant assessed risks of material misstatement (whether or not due to fraud) we identified, including those which had the greatest effect on: the overall audit strategy, the allocation of resources in the audit; and directing the efforts of the engagement team.

These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

Appropriateness of key assumptions used to determine retirement benefit liabilities

Key audit matter description

The Company operates a defined benefit pension scheme. The net pension asset as at 31 December 2021 amounted to €53m.

There is a high degree of estimation uncertainty and judgement in the calculation of the pension liabilities, particularly in the determination of appropriate actuarial assumptions in respect of the discount and inflation rates. We have identified the appropriateness of these key assumptions as a key audit matter due to the volatility of the assumptions and the significant impact they have on the calculation of the pension liabilities

Please also refer to page 36 (Accounting Policy – Defined Benefit Pension Plan), and Note 3 – Critical accounting judgements and estimates.

How the scope of our audit responded to the key audit matter

We obtained an understanding of management’s processes and assessed the design and determined the implementation of the key relevant controls.

We utilised Deloitte Actuarial Specialists as part of our team to assist us in understanding, evaluating and challenging the appropriateness of the discount and inflation rates.

We made inquiries with both management and the Company’s external pension advisors to understand their processes in determining the discount and inflation rates used in calculating retirement benefit liabilities.

We benchmarked the discount and inflation rates used against comparable market and peer data to ensure that they were within appropriate ranges and reasonable given our knowledge of the schemes.

We assessed whether the disclosures made in the financial statements in respect of retirement benefit schemes were in accordance with the relevant accounting standards.

Key observations

Based on the evidence obtained, we found that the discount and inflation rates used by management in the actuarial valuations for pension liabilities are within a range we consider reasonable.

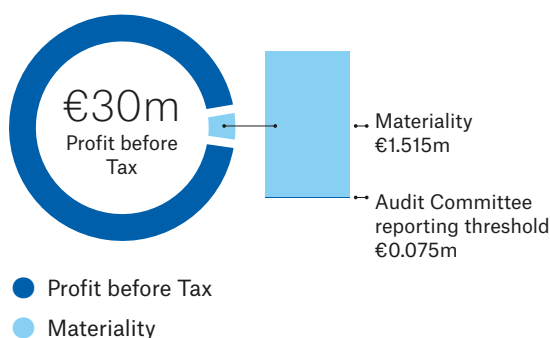
Our audit procedures relating to these matters were designed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and not to express an opinion on individual accounts or disclosures. Our opinion on the financial statements is not modified with respect to any of the risks described above, and we do not express an opinion on these individual matters.

Our application of materiality

We define materiality as the magnitude of misstatement that makes it probable that the economic decisions of a reasonably knowledgeable person, relying on the financial statements, would be changed or influenced. We use materiality both in planning the scope of our audit work and in evaluating the results of our work.

We determined materiality for the Company to be €1,515,000 which is approximately 5% of Profit Before Tax. We have considered Profit Before Tax to be the critical component for determining materiality due to the significance of this balance for users of the financial statements. We have considered quantitative and qualitative factors such as understanding the entity and its environment, history of misstatements, complexity of the Company and reliability of control environment.

Application of materiality



We agreed with the Audit & Risk Committee that we would report to them any audit differences in excess of €75,750, as well as differences below that threshold which, in our view, warranted reporting on qualitative grounds. We also report to the Audit & Risk Committee on disclosure matters that we identified when assessing the overall presentation of the financial statements.

An overview of the scope of our audit

Our audit was scoped by obtaining an understanding of the Company and its environment, including the accounting processes and controls in place and the industry in which the Company operates. Based on this assessment, we identified the risks of material misstatement.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Directors are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of Directors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities for Financial Statements included in the Directors report, the Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view and otherwise comply with the Companies Act 2014, and for such internal control as the Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Directors are responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Directors either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (Ireland) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (Ireland), we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of the auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the entity (or where relevant, the group) to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that the auditor identifies during the audit.

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For listed entities and public interest entities, the auditor also provides those charged with governance with a statement that the auditor has complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, including the Ethical Standard for Auditors (Ireland) 2016, and communicates with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on the auditor's independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

Where the auditor is required to report on key audit matters, from the matters communicated with those charged with governance, the auditor determines those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. The auditor describes these matters in the auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, the auditor determines that a matter should not be communicated in the auditor's report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2014

Based solely on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, we report that:

- We have obtained all the information and explanations which we consider necessary for the purposes of our audit.
- In our opinion the accounting records of the Company were sufficient to permit the financial statements to be readily and properly audited.
- The financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records.
- In our opinion the information given in the Directors' report is consistent with the financial statements and the Directors' report has been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2014.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

Based on the knowledge and understanding of the Company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Directors' report

We have nothing to report in respect of the provisions in the Companies Act 2014 which require us to report to you if, in our opinion, the disclosures of Directors' remuneration and transactions specified by law are not made.

Under the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies (August 2016) (the "Code of Practice"), we are required to report to you if the statement regarding the system of internal financial control required under the

Code of Practice as included in the Corporate Governance Statement in the Directors Report does not reflect the Company's compliance with paragraph 1.9(iv) of the Code of Practice or if it is not consistent with the information of which we are aware from our audit work on the financial statements. We have nothing to report in this respect.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 391 of the Companies Act 2014. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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Accounting Policies

The significant accounting policies used in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all financial years presented, unless otherwise stated. The Company adopted FRS 102 for the first time in the 2015 financial statements.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the measurement of investment properties and certain financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with FRS 102 requires the use of certain key assumptions concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date. It also requires the Directors to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Company's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or areas where assumptions and estimates have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are disclosed in note 3.

Going concern

The financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis of accounting. The Directors have carefully assessed the appropriateness of the use of the going concern basis in the preparation of the financial statements. Following their assessment the Directors report that they have satisfied themselves and consider it appropriate that the Company is a going concern, having adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. In making this assessment the Directors have considered the existing and anticipated effects of the Covid-19 outbreak and Brexit on the Company's activities.

Revenue recognition

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents the amount receivable for services rendered, net of returns, discounts and rebates allowed by the Company and value added taxes.

The Company recognises revenue when the amount of revenue and costs can be measured reliably; it is probable that future benefits will flow to the entity and when the specific criteria relating to each of the Company's sale channels have been met, as described below.

Port Dues

Port Dues revenue arises from charges to port users and comprises of goods dues, vessel dues and other key services provided such as towage and pilotage. Goods Dues are charged by reference to a schedule of charges based on Standard International Trade Classifications. Vessel Dues are charged in respect of the arrival of a vessel and rates are based and chargeable on the greater of the net tonnage or half the gross tonnage of a vessel. Towage and Pilotage Services are charged based on usage.

Port Dues revenue is recognised by reference to the date of arrival of the vessel in the Port.

Rents

Rental income arises mainly from port related rental properties and is recognised by reference to the period to which the rent relates. Rent is charged in accordance with the terms of the rental agreement.

Other Revenue

Other revenue included in Turnover comprises Licence Fees and income from the Company's integrated Service Station and Truck Park. Revenue is recognised by reference to the period to which the income relates.

Other Income

The Company also earns interest income and grant income. Each of these revenue streams are accounted for as set out below:

Interest Income

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest rate method. Interest income is presented as 'interest receivable' in the Profit and Loss account.

Grant Income

The Company applies the accruals model in the recognition of grant income.

Grants relating to revenue are recognised on a systematic basis over the periods in which the Company recognises the related costs for which the grant is intended to compensate. A grant that becomes receivable as compensation for expenses already incurred with no future related costs is recognised in income in the period in which it becomes receivable.

Grants relating to assets are recognised in income on a systematic basis over the expected useful life of the asset. Where part of a grant relating to an asset is deferred it is recognised as deferred income and not deducted from the carrying amount of the asset.

Grants are not recognised until there is reasonable certainty that:

- (a) the Company will comply with the conditions attaching to them; and
- (b) the grants will be received.

Where a grant becomes repayable it is recognised as a liability when the repayment meets the definition of a liability.

Accounting Policies (continued)

Tangible fixed assets

(i) **Cost**

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost at the date of transition to FRS 102, less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, except for the Company's investment property which is stated at fair value. Please refer to separate policy on investment property below.

Cost includes the original purchase price, costs directly attributable to bringing the asset to its working location and condition for its intended use, dismantling and restoration costs and borrowing costs capitalised.

Infrastructure assets are those assets characterised by having virtually infinite useful lives and which, in general, were constructed many years ago but are unlikely to be constructed in their existing format today. They include assets such as the North Bull Wall and Great South Wall. Infrastructure assets are carried at a nil valuation and the cost of their upkeep is charged to the Profit and Loss Account.

(ii) **Depreciation and residual values**

Depreciation on assets is calculated, using the straight-line method, to allocate the cost to their residual values over the estimated useful lives as follows:

Buildings, quays, roads and terminals	50 years
Dock structures, dry docks and quays	30 - 50 years
Capital dredging	30 years
Floating craft	up to 30 years
Cranes	up to 30 years
Plant and machinery	2 - 30 years

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted, if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period. The effect of any change is accounted for prospectively.

(iii) **Subsequent additions and major components**

Subsequent costs, including major inspections, are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Company and the cost can be measured reliably.

The carrying amount of any replaced component is derecognised. Major components are treated as a separate asset where they have significantly different patterns of consumption of economic benefits and are depreciated separately over its useful life.

Repairs, maintenance and minor inspection costs are expensed as incurred.

(iv) **Assets in the course of construction**

Assets in the course of construction are carried at cost. These assets are not depreciated until they are available for use.

(v) **Derecognition**

Tangible assets are derecognised on disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected. On disposal, the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount is recognised in profit or loss and included in "Profit on disposal of assets".

Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs which are directly attributable to the construction of tangible fixed assets are capitalised as part of the cost of those assets. Capitalisation begins when both finance costs and expenditures for the asset are being incurred and activities that are necessary to get the asset ready for use are in progress. Capitalisation ceases when substantially all the activities that are necessary to get the asset ready for use are complete.

Dredging

Capital dredging, which enhances Port access or infrastructure, is capitalised as part of the related fixed asset and depreciated over its estimated useful life.

Investment properties

The Company measures investment property at its cost on initial recognition. The cost of a purchased investment property comprises its purchase price and any directly attributable costs, such as professional fees for legal services, property transfer taxes and other transaction costs. Costs incurred in undertaking market studies before the purchase of a property are expensed as incurred.

Investment properties whose fair value can be measured reliably without undue cost or effort are measured at fair value at each reporting date with changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss.

The Company engaged independent valuation specialists to determine fair value of investment properties at 31 December 2021. The key assumptions used to determine the fair value of investment property are further explained in note 11.

Although the Companies Act would normally require the systematic annual depreciation of fixed assets, the Directors believe that the policy of not providing depreciation is necessary in order for the financial statements to give a true and fair view, since the current value of the investment property, and changes to its value, are of prime importance rather than a calculation of systematic annual depreciation. Depreciation is only one of the many factors reflected in the annual valuation, and the amount, which might otherwise have been included, cannot be separately identified or quantified.

Intangible assets

Computer software is carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. Software is amortised over its estimated useful life, of 10 years, on a straight-line basis. Software is not considered to have a residual value. Where factors, such as technological advancement or changes in market prices, indicate that the software's useful life has changed, the useful life is amended prospectively to reflect the new circumstances. Intangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment if there is an indication that the intangible fixed asset may be impaired.

Impairment of non-financial assets

At each Balance Sheet date non-financial assets not carried at fair value are assessed to determine whether there is an indication that the asset (or asset's cash generating unit) may be impaired. If there is such an indication the recoverable amount of the asset (or asset's cash generating unit) is estimated.

The recoverable amount of the asset (or asset's cash generating unit) is the higher of the fair value less costs to sell and value in use. Value in use is the present value of the future cash flows expected to be derived from continuing use of the asset (or cash-generating unit) and from its ultimate disposal. In measuring value in use pre-tax and interest cash flows are discounted using a pre-tax discount rate that represents the current risk-free market rate and the risks specific to the asset for which the future cash flow estimates have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of the asset (or asset's cash generating unit) is estimated to be lower than the carrying amount, the carrying amount is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised in the Profit and Loss account, unless the asset has been re-valued when the amount is recognised in other Comprehensive Income to the extent of any previously recognised revaluation. Thereafter any excess is recognised in profit or loss.

If an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or asset's cash generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but only to the extent that the revised carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of depreciation) had no impairment loss been recognised in prior periods. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised in the Profit and Loss account, unless the asset is carried at a re-valued amount.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks and other short term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less. Bank deposits which have original maturity dates of more than three months are not cash and cash equivalents and are presented as current asset investments.

Inventories

Inventories are stated at cost. Inventories are consumable items and are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are used.

Cost includes cost of purchase, and where appropriate, import duties and transportation costs.

At the end of each reporting period, inventories are assessed for impairment. If an item of inventory is impaired, the identified inventory is reduced to its recoverable amount and an impairment charge is recognised in the Profit and Loss account. Where a reversal of the impairment is recognised the impairment charge is reversed, up to the original impairment loss, and is recognised as a credit in the Profit and Loss account.

Foreign currencies

- i) **Functional and presentation currency**
The Company's functional and presentation currency is the euro, denominated by the symbol "€" and unless otherwise stated, the financial statements have been presented in thousands ('000).
- ii) **Transactions and balances**
Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the spot exchange rates at the dates of the transactions.

At each period end foreign currency monetary items are translated to Euro using the closing rate. Non-monetary items measured at historical cost are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction and non-monetary items measured at fair value are measured using the exchange rate when fair value was determined.

Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of transactions and from the translation at period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the Profit and Loss account.

Foreign exchange gains and losses that relate to borrowings and cash and cash equivalents are presented in the Profit and Loss account within 'interest payable/receivable'. All other foreign exchange gains and losses are presented in the Profit and Loss account within 'administration expenses'.

Accounting Policies (continued)

Employee benefits

The Company provides a range of benefits to employees, including short term employee benefits such as paid holiday arrangements and post-employment benefits such as defined benefit and defined contribution pension plans and annual bonus arrangements, for certain employees.

(i) Short term benefits

Short term benefits, including wages and salaries, holiday pay and other similar non-monetary benefits, are recognised as an expense in the period in which the service is received.

The Company operates an annual bonus plan for certain employees. An expense is recognised in the Profit and Loss account when the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation to make payments under the plan as a result of past events and a reliable estimate of the obligation can be made.

ii) Post-employment benefits

Defined contribution plan

The Company operates a defined contribution plan for its employees. A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the Company pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. Once the contributions have been paid the Company has no further payment obligations. The contributions are recognised as an expense when they are due. Amounts not paid are shown in accruals in the Balance Sheet. The assets of the plan are held separately from the Company in independently administered funds.

Defined benefit pension plan

The Company operates a defined benefit plan for certain employees. A defined benefit plan defines the pension benefit that the employee will receive on retirement, usually dependent upon several factors including age, length of service and remuneration. A defined benefit plan is a pension plan that is not a defined contribution plan. The liability recognised in the Balance Sheet in respect of the defined benefit plan is the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the end of the reporting date less the fair value of the plan assets at the reporting date.

The defined benefit obligation is calculated using the projected unit credit method. Annually the Company engages independent actuaries to calculate the obligation. The present value is determined by discounting the estimated future payments using market yields on high quality corporate bonds that are denominated in Euro and that have terms approximating the estimated period of the future payments.

The fair value of plan assets is measured in accordance with the FRS 102 fair value hierarchy and in accordance with the Company's policy for similarly held assets. For most plan assets this is the quoted price in an active market. Where quoted prices are not available appropriate valuation techniques are used to estimate the fair value.

The cost of the defined benefit plan, recognised in profit or loss as employee costs, except where included in the cost of an asset, comprises:

- (a) the increase in pension benefit liability arising from employee service during the period; and
- (b) the cost of plan introductions, benefit changes, curtailments and settlements.

The net interest cost is calculated by applying the discount rate to the net balance of the defined benefit obligation and the fair value of plan assets. This cost is recognised in profit or loss as 'other finance cost'.

Actuarial gains and losses arising from experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions are charged or credited to Other Comprehensive Income. These amounts together with the return on plan assets, less amounts included in net interest, are presented as 're-measurement of net defined benefit liability' in Other Comprehensive Income.

Taxation

Taxation expense for the period comprises current and deferred tax recognised in the reporting period. Tax is recognised in the Profit and Loss account, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other Comprehensive Income or directly in equity. In this case tax is also recognised in other Comprehensive Income or directly in equity respectively.

Current or deferred taxation assets and liabilities are not discounted.

(i) **Current tax**

Current tax is the amount of income tax payable in respect of the taxable profit for the year or prior years. Tax is calculated on the basis of tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the period end. Management periodically evaluates positions taken in tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulation is subject to interpretation. It establishes provisions where appropriate on the basis of amounts expected to be paid to the tax authorities.

(ii) **Deferred tax**

Deferred tax arises from timing differences that are differences between taxable profits and total Comprehensive Income as stated in the financial statements. These timing differences arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in financial statements.

Deferred tax is recognised on all timing differences at the reporting date except for certain exceptions. Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are only recognised when it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits.

Deferred tax is measured using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the period end and that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

Exceptional items

The Company's income statement separately identifies exceptional items. Exceptional items are those that in our judgement need to be disclosed separately by virtue of their size, nature or incidence. The Company believes that this presentation provides additional analysis as it highlights exceptional items. Such items include gains on disposal of assets and business restructuring costs to the extent they are significant.

In this regard the determination of 'exceptional items' as included in our definition uses qualitative and quantitative factors. Judgement is used by the Company in assessing the particular items, which by virtue of their size, nature and incidence, are disclosed in the Company income statement and related notes as exceptional items.

Reclassification

Certain immaterial prior year amounts have been reclassified to align with the current period presentation of those items.

Financial instruments

The Company has chosen to adopt the Sections 11 and 12 of FRS 102 in respect of financial instruments.

(i) **Financial assets**

Basic financial assets, including trade and other receivables, cash and bank balances and short term deposits, are initially recognised at transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Such assets are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

At the end of each reporting period financial assets measured at amortised cost are assessed for objective evidence of impairment. If an asset is impaired the impairment loss is the difference between the carrying amount and the present value of the estimated cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. The impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

If, in a subsequent financial year, the amount of an impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be objectively related to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised the previously recognised impairment loss is reversed. The reversal is such that the current carrying amount does not exceed what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised. The impairment reversal is recognised in profit or loss.

Financial assets are derecognised when (a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or (b) substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred to another party or (c) control of the financial asset has been transferred to another party who has the practical ability to unilaterally sell the financial asset to an unrelated third party without imposing additional restrictions.

Accounting Policies (continued)

(ii) **Financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other payables and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

These liabilities are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Fees paid on the establishment of loan facilities are recognised as transaction costs of the loan to the extent that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down. In this case, the fee is deferred until the draw-down occurs. Transactions costs and fees are amortised over the life of the loan.

Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade payables are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the liability is extinguished, that is when the contractual obligation is discharged, cancelled or expires.

(iii) **Derivatives**

Derivatives, including interest rate swaps and forward foreign exchange contracts, are not basic financial instruments.

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at their fair value. Changes in the fair value of derivatives are recognised in profit or loss in finance costs or income as appropriate. The Company does not currently apply hedge accounting for interest rate or foreign exchange derivatives.

(iv) **Offsetting**

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amounts presented in the financial statements when there is an enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle to liability simultaneously.

Provisions and contingencies

Provisions are liabilities of uncertain timing or amount.

Provisions are recognised when the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and the amount of the obligation can be estimated reliably.

Provisions are measured at the present value of the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation using a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability. Provisions are reviewed at the end of each financial year and adjusted to reflect the current best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as a finance cost in profit or loss, presented as part of 'interest payable and similar charges' in the financial year in which it arises.

Where there are a number of similar obligations, the likelihood that an outflow will be required in settlement is determined by considering the class of obligations as a whole.

Contingent liabilities, arising as a result of past events, are not recognised as a liability because it is not probable that the company will be required to transfer economic benefits in settlement of the obligation or the amount cannot be reliably measured at the end of the financial year. Possible but uncertain obligations are not recognised as liabilities but are contingent liabilities. Contingent liabilities are disclosed in the financial statements unless the probability of an outflow of resources is remote.

Contingent assets are not recognised. Contingent assets are disclosed in the financial statements when an inflow of economic benefits is probable.

Distributions to equity holders

Dividends and other distributions to Company's shareholders are recognised as a liability in the financial statements in the period in which the dividends and other distributions are approved by the Company's shareholders. These amounts are recognised in the statement of changes in equity. Interim dividends are recognised when paid.

Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity and are recognised at the proceeds received. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new ordinary shares or options are shown in equity as a deduction, net of tax, from the proceeds.

Towage accounts

Towage revenue is direct revenue charged based on usage. Towage costs comprise direct materials, direct labour and an appropriate proportion of relevant overhead costs allocated on the following basis:

Overhead	Basis of apportionment
Rates	Average usage per tug
Insurance	% of towage revenue
Electricity	Average usage per tug
Telecommunications	% of total telecommunications
Administration	% of total cost

Pilotage accounts

Pilotage revenue is direct revenue charged based on usage. Pilotage costs comprise direct materials, direct labour and an appropriate proportion of relevant overhead costs allocated on the following basis:

Overhead	Basis of apportionment
Rates	Average usage per pilot boat
Insurance	% of pilotage revenue
Electricity	Average usage
Telecommunications	% of total telecommunications
Administration	% of total cost

Profit and Loss Account

For the Financial Year ended 31 December 2021

	Notes	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Turnover	5	85,769	86,596
Cost of sales		(34,703)	(31,920)
Gross Profit		51,066	54,676
Administrative expenses		(15,649)	(11,191)
Other operating income	6	-	665
Operating Profit	8	35,417	44,150
Interest receivable and similar income	7	533	613
Interest payable and similar charges	7	(5,991)	(5,074)
Net Finance Expense		(5,458)	(4,461)
Profit on Ordinary Activities Before Taxation		29,959	39,689
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	10	(3,964)	(5,438)
Profit for the Financial Year		25,995	34,251

Turnover and Operating Profit arose solely from continuing activities.

Statement of Comprehensive Income

For the Financial Year ended 31 December 2021

	Notes	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Profit for the Financial Year		25,995	34,251
Re-measurement (loss)/gain recognised on defined benefit obligations	30	(2,382)	8,194
Deferred tax related to re-measurement loss/(gain) on defined benefit obligations	10	298	(1,024)
Other Comprehensive (loss)/gain for the financial year, net of tax		(2,084)	7,170
Total Comprehensive Income for the financial year		23,911	41,421

Balance Sheet

As at 31 December 2021

	Notes	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	11	670,548	612,771
Intangible assets	12	300	354
		670,848	613,125
Current assets			
Development land	13	1,246	1,246
Inventories	14	638	588
Debtors and prepayments	15	15,635	20,426
Cash at bank and in hand		123,968	160,137
Investments	16	52,658	55,712
		194,145	238,109
Creditors – Amounts falling due within one year	17	(18,062)	(22,991)
Net current assets		176,083	215,118
Total assets less current liabilities		846,931	828,243
Creditors – Amounts falling due after one year	18	(295,058)	(300,775)
Provisions for liabilities			
Other provisions for liabilities	21	(16,123)	(15,629)
Net Assets		535,750	511,839
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital presented as equity	22	14,464	14,464
Capital conversion reserve fund	22	119	119
Profit and loss account		520,449	496,538
Capital contribution	22	718	718
Total equity		535,750	511,839

The financial statements on pages 33 to 68 were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 25th March 2022 and signed on its behalf.

On behalf of the Board

Jerry Grant Chairperson
Eamonn O'Reilly Chief Executive

25th March 2022

Statement of Changes in Equity

For the Financial Year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Called up share capital €'000	Capital conversion reserve fund €'000	Capital contribution €'000	Profit and loss account €'000	Total €'000
Balance at 1st January 2020	22	14,464	119	718	455,117	470,418
Profit for the year		-	-	-	34,251	34,251
Other Comprehensive Income		-	-	-	7,170	7,170
Total Comprehensive Income for the year		-	-	-	41,421	41,421
Dividends	9	-	-	-	-	-
Balance as at 31st December 2020	22	14,464	119	718	496,538	511,839
Balance at 1st January 2021	22	14,464	119	718	496,538	511,839
Profit for the year		-	-	-	25,995	25,995
Other Comprehensive Income		-	-	-	(2,084)	(2,084)
Total Comprehensive Income for the year		-	-	-	23,911	23,911
Dividends	9	-	-	-	-	-
Balance as at 31st December 2021	22	14,464	119	718	520,449	535,750

Statement of Cash Flows

For the Financial Year ended 31 December 2021

	Notes	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Net cash from operating activities	23	54,314	51,552
Taxation paid		(4,374)	(2,893)
Net cash generated from operating activities		49,940	48,659
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible assets		(74,964)	(56,878)
Purchase of intangible assets - software		(40)	(61)
Proceeds from disposal of tangible assets		50	51
Interest received		-	10
Net cash used in investing activities		(74,954)	(56,878)
Cash flow from financing activities			
Proceeds from issue of bonds		-	100,000
Repayment of term debt facilities		(5,264)	(5,264)
Dividends paid	9	-	-
Interest paid and similar charges		(5,891)	(3,685)
Net cash (used in)/generated from financing activities		(11,155)	91,051
Net (decrease)/increase in cash at bank and in hand		(36,169)	82,832
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		160,137	77,305
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		123,968	160,137
Cash and cash equivalents consists of:			
Cash at bank and in hand		123,968	160,137
Cash and cash equivalents		123,968	160,137

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. General information

Dublin Port Company provides the infrastructure, facilities, services and hard standing to meet the needs of customers for the efficient transfer of goods and passengers between land and sea transport modes.

Revenue in connection with the provision of these facilities is generated from vessel dues, goods dues, rent and key services provided, such as towage and pilotage.

The Company is incorporated and domiciled in the Republic of Ireland. The address of its registered office is Port Centre, Alexandra Road, Dublin 1.

2. Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value, and in accordance with the Companies Act 2014 and Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102) issued by the Financial Reporting Council. The financial statements comply with Financial Reporting Standard 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2014.

3. Critical judgments and estimates in applying the Company's accounting policies

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectation of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The Company makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are addressed below:

(i) Useful economic lives of tangible assets

The annual depreciation charge for tangible assets is sensitive to changes in the estimated useful economic lives and residual values of the assets. The useful economic lives and residual values are re-assessed annually and amended where necessary. See note 11 for the carrying amount of the Company's tangible assets and the Accounting Policies for the useful economic lives for each class of assets.

(ii) Defined benefit pension scheme

The Company has an obligation to pay pension benefits to certain employees. The cost of these benefits and the present value of the obligation depend on a number of factors, including; life expectancy, salary increases, asset valuations and the discount rate on corporate bonds. Management estimates these factors in determining the net pension obligation in the Balance Sheet.

The assumptions reflect historical experience and current trends. See note 30 for the disclosures relating to the defined benefit pension scheme.

4. Assets and liabilities acquired on Vesting Day

Under the provisions of the Harbours Act, 1996, the Company took over the functions carried on by the former Dublin Port and Docks Board on 3 March 1997 ("Vesting Day").

The cost to the Company of the assets acquired on Vesting Day was determined by the then Minister for Communications, Marine and Natural Resources. Liabilities (including pensions and capital grants) were taken over at their actual or determined amounts. Pension liabilities (*see note 30*) include those in respect of pre-Vesting Day pension entitlements of the Company's employees and the current and deferred pensioners of its predecessor entity, Dublin Port and Docks Board.

The assets and functions of the Pilotage Committee, established under the Pilotage Act 1913, were transferred by operation of law to Dublin Port Company in July 1997, under the Harbours Act, 1996 (Commencement) (No. 3) Order 1997.

The consideration for the net assets transferred to the Company was satisfied by the creation and issue of 6.023 million ordinary shares of IR£1 (€1.27) each fully paid. One ordinary share is held by the Minister for Finance and the remainder are held by the Minister for Transport at 31 December 2020.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

5. Turnover

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
By class of business (all within Republic of Ireland)		
Ships Tonnage Dues	12,625	12,400
Goods Dues	49,474	50,517
Port Infrastructure Charges	62,099	62,917
Other Port dues	7,400	8,550
Rents	15,340	14,377
Licences	753	612
Other	177	140
	85,769	86,596

6. Other Operating Income

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Revaluation of investment property	-	665
	-	665

7. Finance Income/expense

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
(a) Interest payable and similar charges:		
- Interest payable on bank loans	(1,728)	(1,781)
- Interest on Private Placement Bond	(5,605)	(4,803)
- Other interest payable	(190)	(87)
Total Interest payable	(7,523)	(6,671)
Interest payable capitalised	1,532	1,597
Total Interest payable and similar charges	(5,991)	(5,074)
(b) Interest receivable and similar income:		
- Interest receivable	-	10
- Net finance income on retirement benefits (see note 30)	533	603
Total Interest receivable and similar income	533	613
c) Net Finance (expense)/income	(5,458)	(4,461)

8. Operating Profit

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Operating Profit has been arrived at after charging/(crediting):		
Depreciation (see note 11)	13,780	10,998
Amortisation of intangible assets (see note 12)	94	86
Amortisation of capital grants (see note 20)	(490)	(564)
Surplus on revaluation of investment properties (see note 6)	-	665
Impairment (gain)/loss on trade receivables	45	(120)
Profit on disposal of tangible assets	(50)	(40)

Auditors remuneration:

Remuneration (including expenses) for the statutory audit and other services carried out by the Company's auditor is as follows:

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Audit of entity financial statements	50	50
Adjustment in respect of prior period	-	5
Other assurance services	14	14
Other non-audit services	-	-
Tax advisory services	9	53
	73	122

External Support and Specialist Advisory Costs

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Legal Advice	229	531
Tax and Financial Advisory	21	93
Public Relations/Marketing	230	91
Pension and Human Resources	294	474
Engineering	890	304
Environmental	193	418
Other	531	596
Total Costs charged to the Profit and Loss Account	2,388	2,507
Costs Capitalised	5,834	7,168
Costs charged to the Profit and Loss Account	2,388	2,507
Total Costs	8,222	9,675

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

8. Operating Profit (continued)

Legal Costs and Settlements	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Settlements Paid	234	63
Settlements Received	(315)	(5)
Total	(81)	58
Travel and Subsistence Expenditure	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Domestic		
- Board		-
- Employees	19	8
International		
- Board	2	1
- Employees	6	17
Total	27	26
Hospitality Expenditure	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Staff Hospitality	71	40
Client Hospitality	106	38
Total	177	78

Towage accounts

The Port Services Regulation (Regulation 2017/352) was introduced by the European Parliament on 15th February 2017. The Regulation establishes a framework for the provision of port services and common rules on the financial transparency of ports.

A Profit and Loss account in respect of the Company's towage service for the year ended 31 December 2021, together with comparative figures for 2020, is set out below.

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Turnover (included in Port Dues turnover – see note 5)	2,349	3,701
Cost of Sales	(1,802)	(1,271)
Gross Profit	547	2,430
Administrative expenses	(1,331)	(1,016)
Operating (Loss)/Profit	(784)	1,414

8. Operating Profit (continued)

Pilotage accounts

A Profit and Loss account in respect of the Company's pilotage service for the year ended 31 December 2021, together with comparative figures for 2020, is set out below.

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000 <i>restated</i>
Turnover (included in Port Dues turnover – see note 5)	3,975	3,704
Cost of Sales	(2,561)	(2,212)
Gross Profit	1,414	1,492
Administrative expenses	(657)	(549)
Operating Profit	757	943

9. Dividend Paid

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Interim dividend paid of €0.00 per share (2020: €0.00 per share)	-	-

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

10. Taxation

(a) Tax expense included in Profit and Loss	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Current tax:		
Based on Port activity profits for the year:		
Corporation Tax at an effective rate of 12.5% (2020:12.5%)	(3,065)	(4,249)
Based on non-Port activity profits		
Corporation Tax at an effective rate of 25% (2020:25%)	(300)	(310)
	(3,365)	(4,559)
Adjustments in respect of prior periods	193	-
Total current tax	(3,172)	(4,559)
Deferred tax:		
Timing differences between pension contributions paid and pensions charged	84	66
Timing differences on accelerated Capital Allowances	(876)	(945)
Total deferred tax	(792)	(879)
Total tax charge	(3,964)	(5,438)
(b) Tax expense included in other Comprehensive Income		
Deferred tax		
Deferred tax related to defined benefit pension re-measurement loss/(gain)	298	(1,024)
Total tax income/(expense) included in other Comprehensive Income	298	(1,024)

(c) Reconciliation of tax charge

The total Corporation Tax charge for the financial year is higher (2020: higher) than the total tax charge that would result from applying the standard rate of Irish Corporation Tax to profit on ordinary activities. The differences are explained below:

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Profit on Ordinary Activities Before Tax	29,959	39,689
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by the average rate of Irish Corporation Tax for the year of 12.5% (2020:12.5%)	(3,745)	(4,961)
Effects of:		
Disallowable expenses	(262)	(322)
Passive income liable to tax at 25%	(150)	(155)
Adjustment to tax charge in respect of prior year	193	-
Total tax charge for the year	(3,964)	(5,438)

11. Tangible Assets

	Land and Buildings	Terminals	Dock Structures, Dry Docks and Quays	Floating Craft	Cranes	Plant and Machinery	Investment Property	CIP	Total
	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000
Cost or valuation									
At 1 January 2021	156,879	212,192	186,033	21,313	3,540	29,558	9,165	177,095	795,775
Additions during year	19,169	2,465	20,862	-	-	2,102	-	28,231	72,829
Proceeds from insurance claim	-	-	-	(1,272)	-	-	-	-	(1,272)
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	(57)	-	-	(57)
Transfer from CIP	27,931	10,348	36,385	-	-	3,552	-	(78,216)	-
Revaluation of IP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 December 2021	203,979	225,005	243,280	20,041	3,540	35,155	9,165	127,110	867,275
Accumulated Depreciation									
At 1 January 2021	24,403	92,833	38,375	6,541	3,386	17,465	-	-	183,004
Charge for year	2,724	3,130	5,382	708	8	1,828	-	-	13,780
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	(57)	-	-	(57)
At 31 December 2021	27,127	95,963	43,757	7,249	3,394	19,236	-	-	196,727
Net Book Amounts									
At 1 January 2021	132,476	119,359	147,658	14,772	153	12,093	9,165	177,095	612,771
At 31 December 2021	176,852	129,042	199,523	12,792	146	15,919	9,165	127,110	670,548

The cost to the Company of assets acquired on Vesting Day, 3 March 1997, under the Harbours Act, 1996 was determined by the then Minister for Communications, Marine and Natural Resources in consideration for shares issued.

€2.1m was spent on an asset in 2020 that was the subject of an insurance claim. Following the processing of this claim in 2021, compensation of €1.3m was received and has been offset against the asset costs. Costs of fixed assets includes cumulative interest capitalised of €6.3m (2020:€4.8m).

In 2021 €50,000 (2020: €40,000) profit on disposal of tangible assets was recognised.

The investment property represents a 50% interest in freehold property and has been independently valued by Lisney as at 31 December 2021 on an open market valuation basis. The valuation represented the valuer's opinion of market value at 31 December 2021 and has been prepared in accordance with the RICS Valuation – Global Standards (incorporating the International Valuation Standards) published July 2017 by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors. The valuer noted that values are subject to changes on account of market adjustments and other factors, and that values in the future may therefore be higher or lower than at the valuation date. A revaluation surplus of €Nil arose in 2021 (2020: €0.7m). Any surpluses arising on this revaluation are credited to the other operating income line of the Profit and Loss account.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

12. Intangible Assets

	2021 €'000
Cost or valuation	
At 1 January	1,676
Additions during year	40
At 31 December	1,716
Accumulated Amortisation	
At 1 January	1,322
Charge for year	94
At 31 December	1,416
Net Book Amounts	
At 1 January	354
At 31 December	300

Intangible assets comprise externally developed computer software which is amortised over their estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. Amortisation commences when the asset is ready for its intended use.

13. Development Land

The Company entered into a Development Agreement dated 6th July 1999 with Earlsfort East Point and Eastpoint (Development) Two Ltd. ("the Developer"), for a development comprising approximately 14 acres of land adjoining the East Point Business Park Development Phase I.

At 31 December 2021, a receivable of €1.246m remains outstanding relating to the final three sites of land (comprising approximately 6 acres of land) which are subject to this arrangement. The Directors are satisfied that the carrying value of this land is fully recoverable at 31 December 2021.

In addition to consideration for the land sold, the Company is also entitled to further consideration calculated based on a share of the net profits realised on the sale of the developed properties by Eastpoint (Development) Two Ltd.

The consideration under this agreement will be recognised in the financial statements in the period when it is realised by Dublin Port Company. No consideration was recognised during the year (2020: NIL).

The Company is currently engaged in discussions with the developer with a view to finalising the timeframe for receipt of both the consideration in respect of land and any further consideration to be received on the ultimate sale of the relevant properties.

14. Inventories

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Consumable items	638	588

Inventory comprises consumable items, spare parts and stores used in the maintenance of plant. There was no material difference between the replacement cost of inventory and the above book amount.

Inventories are stated after provisions for impairment of €Nil (2020: €5k).

15. Debtors – Amounts falling due within one year

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Trade debtors	11,193	14,533
Accrued revenue	1,104	562
VAT	283	692
Contributions receivable from pension scheme	1,793	2,704
Corporation Tax	780	-
Other receivables	482	1,935
	15,635	20,426

Trade debtors are stated after provisions for impairment of €96k (2020: €162k).

16. Investments

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Defined benefit pension asset (see note 30)	52,658	55,712
	52,658	55,712

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

17. Creditors – Amounts falling due within one year

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Trade creditors	1,196	2,331
Accruals	5,946	9,667
Bank Loans (see note 19)	5,263	5,263
Deferred income (see note 20)	4,708	4,450
Professional Services Withholding Tax/Relevant Contracts Tax	290	272
Income tax deducted under PAYE	499	440
Corporation Tax	-	422
Pay related social insurance	160	146
	18,062	22,991
Creditors for taxation and social welfare included above	949	1,280

Trade and other creditors are payable at various dates in the next three months in accordance with the suppliers' usual and customary credit terms.

Tax and social insurance are repayable at various dates over the coming months in accordance with the applicable statutory provisions.

18. Creditors – Amounts falling due after one year

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Deferred income – grants (see note 20)	12,154	12,608
Bank Loans (see note 19)	282,904	288,167
	295,058	300,775

19. Borrowings and Other Debt

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Total borrowings	288,167	293,430
	288,167	293,430
These loans are repayable in the following periods after the year end:		
In less than one year	5,263	5,263
In one to two years	5,263	5,263
In three to five years	15,790	15,790
In more than five years	261,851	267,114
	288,167	293,430
Long-term bank borrowings	88,158	93,421
Private placement borrowings	200,009	200,009
	288,167	293,430

Current bank borrowings:

The Company has put in place an agreement with Ulster Bank DAC, amounting to a €50m revolving credit facility. This facility was for an initial five year term with an option to extend for two one year periods, subject to bank approval. The Company exercised its option during 2019 to extend the facility which is due for repayment (if drawn) in full in March 2024. This facility was un-drawn at the year-end (2020: €NIL).

The rate of interest on the loan is variable based on EURIBOR and the applicable margin. There is no tangible security held by Ulster Bank on this facility.

Long-term bank borrowings:

In December 2015 the Company entered into a Finance Contract with the European Investment Bank in respect of a €100m project finance facility. This facility is for a 20 year term of which was fully drawn down at year end. The balance outstanding at 31 December 2021 was €88.2m (2020: €93.4m).

Private Placement borrowings:

In December 2019 the Company issued €300m unsecured senior bonds to a range of institutional investors. These fixed rate bonds are issued in Euro currency and are listed on the Global Exchange Market of Euronext Dublin. The maturity date of the bonds is September 2049. At 31 December 2021 €200m of bonds had been purchased. During the course of 2021 it was agreed to defer the purchase of the remaining €100m of bonds, referred as forward purchase bonds, from September 2021 to September 2022. The Company retains the option to cancel the commitment to purchase some or all of the forward purchase bonds at no cost.

In addition, the Company issued an amount of unlisted notes to a subset of investors for a nominal price. Unlisted notes offer an alternative mechanism for investors to subscribe for the remaining bonds (instead of purchasing forward purchase bonds). At 31 December 2021 €9,000 had been received by the Company in relation to the purchase of unlisted notes.

The private placement debt and other facilities have conditions which require the Company to maintain certain covenants. At 31 December 2021 the Company is fully in compliance with all covenant requirements.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

20. Deferred Income

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Grants and contributions to fixed assets		
Opening Balance	13,099	13,663
Received during the year	-	-
Amortised to Profit and Loss Account during the year	(490)	(564)
Closing Balance Capital Grants	12,609	13,099
Deferred Rental Income	4,253	3,960
Total Deferred Income	16,862	17,059
Creditors – amounts falling due within one year (see note 17)	4,708	4,450
Creditors – amounts falling due after one year (see note 18)	12,154	12,609
	16,862	17,059

Capital grants received from various authorities in respect of capital expenditure incurred are recorded as deferred income and released to the Profit and Loss Account over the expected useful lives of the relevant assets.

21. Provisions for Liabilities

The Company had the following deferred tax liabilities during the year:

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
At 1 January	(15,629)	(13,726)
Additions dealt with in profit and loss	(792)	(879)
Additions dealt with in other comprehensive income	298	(1,024)

At 31 December	(16,123)	(15,629)
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	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Presented as:		
Deferred tax liabilities within provisions for liabilities	(16,123)	(15,629)

The provision for deferred tax consists of the following deferred tax assets/(liabilities):

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Defined Benefit pension scheme	(6,583)	(6,964)
Other timing differences	44	44
Accelerated capital allowances	(9,584)	(8,709)
	(16,123)	(15,629)

Deferred tax assets of €0.3m (2020: €0.3m) were not recognised in respect of capital losses on the basis that there is no likelihood of recovering the benefit from these tax losses.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

22. Share Capital and Reserves

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Authorised		
96.5m ordinary shares of €1.25 each	120,625	120,625
Allotted, called up and fully paid – presented as equity		
11.571m ordinary shares of €1.25 each	14,464	14,464

There is a single class of ordinary shares. There are no restrictions on the distribution of dividends and the repayment of capital. All shares carry equal voting rights and rank dividends to the extent to which the total amount on each share is paid up.

Reserves

The opening balance, closing balance and movements in each reserve are outlined in the Statement of Changes in Equity. A description of each reserve is outlined below.

Called-up share capital

The authorised share capital of the Company comprises ordinary shares.

Capital conversion reserve fund

The ordinary shares of the Company were re-nominalised from €1.269738 each to €1.25 each in 2001 and the amount by which the issued share capital of the Company was reduced was transferred to a fund known as the Capital Conversion Reserve Fund.

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Capital conversion reserve fund	119	119

Capital contribution

On 12 July 2011, as permitted by the Harbours Acts, 1996 to 2009, the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport ordered that the functions of Dundalk Port Company be transferred to the Company. The assets and liabilities taken on by the Company as a result of this Ministerial Order have been recorded at their fair values at that date. A corresponding amount has been recognised as a Capital Contribution in Shareholders' Funds reflecting that the assets received and liabilities assumed are considered to be a contribution from the Company's principal shareholder.

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Capital contribution	718	718

23. Note to the statement of cash flow

	Notes	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Profit for the financial year		25,995	34,251
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	10	3,964	5,438
Net Finance expense/(income)	7	5,458	4,461
Operating Profit		35,417	44,150
Amortisation of capital grants	20	(490)	(564)
Depreciation of tangible assets	11	13,780	10,998
Amortisation of intangible assets	12	94	86
Revaluation of investment property	11	-	(665)
Profit on disposal of assets		(50)	(40)
Increase in inventories		(50)	(48)
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors		5,136	(3,318)
(Decrease) in creditors		(1,036)	(176)
Change in relation to pension provision		1,513	1,129
Net cash inflow from operating activities		54,314	51,552

24. Commitments

At 31 December, the Company had the following capital commitments:

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Future capital expenditure not provided for		
Contracted for	30,205	59,676
Authorised by the Directors but not contracted for	-	-
	30,205	59,676

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25. Lessor Operating Leases

Total operating minimum lease payments receivable under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Land		
One year	12,600	11,615
Two to five years	41,960	39,377
Greater than five years	295,947	285,729
	350,507	336,721

The Company earned €15.3m (2020: €14.4m) in rental income for the year. The above amounts represent future rental income receivable over the life or up to the first break clause of the operating lease agreements in place as at 31 December 2021.

26. Financial Instruments

The Company has the following financial instruments:

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Financial assets that are debt instruments measured at amortised cost:		
Trade debtors	12,297	15,095
Other debtors	482	1,935
	12,779	17,030
Cash at bank and in hand	123,968	160,137
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost:		
Bank loans	288,167	293,430
Trade creditors	1,196	2,331
Other creditors	10,200	13,627
	299,563	309,388

27. Directors' Remunerations

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Emoluments	425	409
Contributions to retirement benefit schemes		
- Defined benefit	89	75

Retirement benefits are accruing to two Directors (2020: two Directors) under defined benefit schemes.

The Directors do not participate in any long term incentive schemes nor do they have any equity interests in the Company. There were no payments during the year (2020: NIL) in respect of compensation for loss of office or other termination payments.

27. Directors' Remunerations (continued)

Included in the above is the remuneration package of the Chief Executive made up as follows:

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Director's Fees	13	13
Salary	185	185
Other Benefits including Pension Costs and Taxable Benefits	61	61
	259	259

Director's Fees

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
J Grant	22,902	-
E O'Reilly	12,600	12,600
M Brophy	12,600	12,600
H Collins	518	12,600
G Darling	12,600	12,600
M Hand	12,600	12,600
K Nolan *	12,600	12,600
L Williams	-	12,600
J Kelly **	11,582	-
	98,002	88,200

* In Addition to the Directors' fees, Mr. Nolan was paid as an employee of Dublin Port Company.

** Mr. Kelly was appointed by the Board to act as Chairperson of the Audit and Risk Committee pending the filling of an existing Board vacancy.

Key management compensation

The compensation paid or payable to key management is shown below:

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Salaries and other short term benefits	1,836	1,744
Post-employment benefits	319	264
Total key management compensation	2,155	2,008

The key management compensation amounts disclosed represents compensation to those people having the authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company. The key management personnel include Board Members and members of the executive management team. The amounts stated above are inclusive of employer's PRSI.

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28. Employees

	2021 €'000	2020 €'000
Staff costs comprise:		
Wages and salaries	12,336	11,942
Allowances	429	410
Overtime	680	464
Social insurance costs	1,361	1,246
Other pension costs - Defined Benefit Schemes (see note 30)	1,691	1,233
Other pension costs - Defined Contribution Scheme (see note 30)	1,005	848
	17,502	16,143

Of the total staff costs €1,178,000 (2020: €1,085,000) has been capitalised into tangible fixed assets and €16,324,000 (2020: €15,058,000) has been treated as an expense in the Profit and Loss account.

The average number of persons employed by the Company during the year was 156 (2020: 154).

Short-term employee benefits

€	2021 No. of Employees in Band	2020 No. of Employees in Band
50,000 – 74,999	46	51
75,000 – 99,999	47	49
100,000 – 124,999	30	23
125,000 – 149,999	18	12
150,000 – 174,999	4	3
175,000 – 199,999	4	4

Short-term employee benefits in relation to services rendered during the reporting period include salary, overtime, allowances and other payments, but exclude employer's PRSI.

29. Related Party Transactions

In accordance with FRS102 the Company is exempt from disclosure of transactions with other state owned entities.

As noted in note 1, one ordinary share is held by the Minister for Finance and the remainder are held by the Minister for Transport at 31 December 2021.

During the year services were received from Certification Europe to the value of €5,365. Michael Brophy, Director of Dublin Port Company is also a Director of Certification Europe.

No Board member, who would be regarded as a related party, or members of key management staff have undertaken any material transactions with the Company during the year.

As noted in note 15, there is €1.8m due to the Company from the pension funds (2020: €2.7m).

30. Post-employment benefits

The Company operates four defined benefit pension schemes and a defined contribution pension scheme. On 1 January 2005 the defined benefit schemes were closed to new entrants.

Defined Contribution Scheme

Employees joining the Company after 1 January 2005 are members of the defined contribution scheme. Contributions are paid by the members and by the Company at fixed rates. During the year the Company contributed €1,005k (2020: €848k) to the defined contribution scheme and this amount was charged to the Profit and Loss account. Irish Pensions Trust Limited, an independent professional trustee Company, is the sole trustee of the defined contribution scheme.

Defined Benefit Schemes

- a) The Company operates four defined benefit pension schemes based on final pensionable salaries for eligible employees, including employees and former employees of Dundalk Port Company and the Company's predecessor entity, Dublin Port & Docks Board.

The four schemes are administered by trustees. The schemes are "The Dublin Port Superannuation Fund 1996", "The Dublin Port Company Pilots Superannuation Fund", "The Dublin Port Company Chief Executive Retirement Benefits Scheme" and "The Dublin Port Company Pension Scheme for Former Employees of Dundalk Port Company".

The Company and scheme members appoint the trustees of the Dublin Port Superannuation Fund 1996. The most recent member trustee election for the Dublin Port Superannuation fund 1996 was held in 2017 and the appointment of four candidates was ratified by the Board at its meeting on 8 December 2017. In addition to the four member trustees, the Company also appointed a further four trustees.

Irish Pensions Trust Limited, an independent professional trustee Company, is the sole trustee of the other three Schemes.

There are no unfunded schemes in place as at 31 December 2021.

b) Actuarial Valuation

The funding position of the four defined benefit schemes is assessed in accordance with the advice of independent actuaries. The funding position is formally assessed at three yearly intervals.

The Company intends to make regular contributions to the four schemes in accordance with the recommendations set out by the actuaries in the relevant actuarial reports for each scheme.

The most recent applicable actuarial valuation reports for the main defined benefit schemes was prepared with at 1 January 2021. The reports were completed by Mercer, who are neither officers nor employees of the Company. The valuation reports at 1 January 2021 are available for inspection by scheme members but not for public inspection.

The next valuation reports for these schemes are due to be prepared as at 1 January 2024.

Funding Standard valuation basis (unaudited information):

The four defined benefit schemes are required to meet the minimum Funding Standard (FS) in accordance with Section 44 of the Pensions Act, 1990 (as amended). The FS, in general terms, measures whether accumulated assets cover liabilities accrued to members, assuming the schemes were wound up at the valuation date. The assumptions on which the FS liability is determined are prescribed in legislation and actuarial guidance. The most recently completed actuarial funding certificates for the main defined benefit schemes were submitted to the Pensions Authority with an effective date of 31 December 2020 and confirmed that the schemes satisfied the FS at that date.

Following the actuarial review at 1 January 2022, it was found that four defined benefit schemes would have met the FS as at 1 January 2022. Overall assets of the schemes were €295.0m and overall liabilities under the FS were €187.6m, resulting in an aggregate surplus of €107.4m on the FS basis.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

30. Post-employment benefits (continued)

Long-term valuation basis (unaudited information):

The Company's intention is to continue to provide funding in accordance with the actuary's recommendation to ensure that the schemes continue to operate and provide for pension payments in the long term future.

The actuarial valuations at 1 January 2021 for such funding purposes were prepared using an actuarial valuation method known as the "attained age" method. The principal actuarial assumptions adopted in the valuation were market based by reference to the Eurozone interest rate swap curve and HICP Euro inflation curve. This provided a weighted average discount rate of approximately -0.24% p.a. and a weighted average price inflation rate of 1.3% p.a. Increases in salaries was assumed to be price inflation plus 1.25% giving a net 2.55% and the increase in pensions in payment would be price inflation at 1.3% per annum. Under this valuation method at 1 January 2021, overall assets were €285.3m and overall accrued liabilities were €268.2m. This resulted in an aggregate surplus of €17.1m and a funding ratio (assets: liabilities) as at 1 January 2021 of 106%.

Following an interim actuarial review at 1 January 2022 based on the same assumption principles, overall assets were estimated at €295.0m and overall liabilities were estimated at €286.2m resulting in an aggregate surplus of €8.8m and a funding ratio of 103%.

The next formal valuations will be prepared at 1 January 2024.

c) FRS 102 "Employee Benefits"

The defined benefit obligations of the Company have been valued by independent actuaries for the purposes of FRS 102 as at 31 December 2021. The valuation was prepared using an actuarial valuation method known as the "projected unit credit" method. As the schemes are closed to new entrants, the schemes have an age profile that is rising and therefore under the projected unit method the current service cost will increase as members of the scheme approach retirement.

Financial Assumptions:

The main financial assumptions to calculate the benefit obligations (liabilities) FRS 102 at the Balance Sheet date were:

	31 December 2021	31 December 2020
Rate of interest applied to discount benefit obligations	1.30%	0.95%
Projected rate of increase of salaries	3.0% for 2022-2025, 3.5% thereafter	0% for 2021, 2.5% for 2022-2023, 3% thereafter
Projected rate of increase of pensions in payment	2.10%	1.35%
Rate of increase of pensions in deferment	2.10%	1.35%
CPI Inflation	2.10%	1.35%

The discount rate used in the calculation of the pension liability is determined by reference to market yields at the Balance Sheet date on high quality corporate bonds. The currency and term of the corporate bonds is consistent with the currency and estimated term of the benefit obligations. Having regard to the duration of the scheme benefit obligations, a discount rate of 1.30% was adopted at 31 December 2021.

30. Defined Benefit Schemes (continued)

Demographic Assumptions:

The assumptions relating to the life expectancy at retirement for members is set out below:

	2021		2020	
	Male Years	Female Years	Male Years	Female Years
Current members age 40 (life expectancy at age 65)	24.1	26.0	24.3	26.3
Current pensioners age 65 (life expectancy at age 65)	22.4	24.1	22.5	24.4

Scheme Assets:

The investment allocations of assets at the Balance Sheet date were:

Asset Class	Proportion of Scheme assets at 31 December 2021	Proportion of Scheme assets at 31 December 2020
Bonds	91.42%	91.12%
Property	0.00%	0.00%
Other	8.58%	8.88%
	100.0%	100.0%

Under FRS102, the expected return on assets is set equal to the discount rate.

The fair value of the assets in the pension schemes at the Balance Sheet date were:

	Fair value at 31 December 2021	Fair value at 31 December 2020
Bonds	269,698	260,101
Property	-	-
Other	25,309	25,362
Total Fair value of Assets	295,007	285,463

The amounts recognised in the statement of financial position are as follows:

	31 December 2021 €'000	31 December 2020 €'000
Fair value of scheme assets	295,007	285,463
Defined benefit obligation	(242,349)	(229,751)
Defined benefit asset	52,658	55,712
Presented in financial statements as follows:		
Investments – surplus on funded schemes (see note 16)	52,658	55,712

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

30. Defined Benefit Schemes (continued)

Analysis of the amounts included in the Profit and Loss Account:

	2021 €'000	2021 €'000
Cost (excluding interest)		
Service cost	(1,691)	(1,233)
Net interest cost		
Interest income on scheme assets	2,670	3,458
Interest on pension scheme benefit obligations	(2,137)	(2,855)
Net interest income	533	603
	(1,158)	(630)

Analysis of the re-measurements amounts recognised in other Comprehensive Income:

	2021 €'000	2021 €'000
Return on plan assets (excluding interest income)	15,748	10,268
Effect of experience adjustments	(10,392)	2,495
Effect of changes in assumptions	(7,738)	(4,569)
Total re-measurements included in other Comprehensive Income	(2,382)	8,194

30. Defined Benefit Schemes (continued)

Movement in scheme assets and benefit obligations

	Assets €'000	Benefit obligations €'000	Net surplus €'000
At 31 December 2019	281,535	(233,491)	48,044
Current service cost	-	(1,233)	(1,233)
Past service credit	-	-	-
Interest on scheme benefit obligations	-	(2,855)	(2,855)
Interest income on scheme assets	3,458	-	3,458
Return on scheme assets (excluding interest income)	10,268	-	10,268
Re-measurement due to experience adjustments	-	2,495	2,495
Re-measurement due to change in assumptions	-	(4,569)	(4,569)
Members' contributions	271	(271)	-
Benefits paid from scheme	(10,173)	10,173	-
Employer contributions	104	-	104
As at 31 December 2020	285,463	(229,751)	55,712

Movement in scheme assets and benefit obligations

	Assets €'000	Benefit obligations €'000	Net surplus €'000
At 31 December 2020	285,463	(229,751)	55,712
Current service cost	-	(1,102)	(1,102)
Past service cost	-	(589)	(589)
Interest on scheme benefit obligations	-	(2,137)	(2,137)
Interest income on scheme assets	2,670	-	2,670
Return on scheme assets (excluding interest income)	15,748	-	15,748
Re-measurement due to experience adjustments	-	(10,392)	(10,392)
Re-measurement due to change in assumptions	-	(7,738)	(7,738)
Members' contributions	235	(235)	-
Benefits paid from scheme	(9,595)	9,595	-
Employer contributions	486	-	486
As at 31 December 2021	295,007	(242,349)	52,658

The employer expects to contribute €0.5 million to the pension schemes in 2022.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

30. Defined Benefit Schemes (continued)

Sensitivity Analysis of Scheme Benefit obligations:

The sensitivity of the defined benefit obligation to changes in the mortality assumptions is set out below:

	2021 Existing Assumption	2021 +1 Year	2021 -1 Year
Benefit obligations (€'000)	242,349	252,464	232,443
Change in benefit obligations (€'000)		(10,115)	9,906
% Change (as % of original)		(4.2%)	4.1%

The sensitivity of the defined benefit obligation to changes in the discount rate is set out below:

	2021 Existing Assumption	2021 -0.25%	2021 +0.25%
Discount Rate	1.30%	1.05%	1.55%
Benefit obligations (€'000)	242,349	251,593	233,561
Change in benefit obligations (€'000)		(9,244)	8,788
% Change (as % of original)		(3.8%)	3.6%

31. Events after the reporting date

There have been no events between the Balance Sheet date and the date on which the financial statements were approved by the Board, which would require adjustment to the financial statements or any additional disclosures.

32. Approval of the Financial Statements

The Directors approved the financial statements on 25th March 2022.

	2021	2020	2019
Vessels - Total Arrivals	7,253	7,282	7,898
Throughput ('000 gross tonnes)			
Imports/Exports			
Imports	21,217	21,714	22,858
Exports	13,723	15,150	15,280
Total	34,940	36,864	38,138
RoRo	21,053	23,877	24,348
LoLo	7,907	7,126	7,290
Bulk Liquid	3,938	3,871	4,662
Bulk Solid	1,973	1,957	1,820
Break Bulk	69	33	17
Total	34,940	36,864	38,138
Unitised volumes			
RoRo units	962,075	1,060,979	1,059,103
LoLo units	466,737	423,715	432,510
Total units	1,428,812	1,484,894	1,491,613
LoLo TEU	842,838	758,013	774,000
Trade vehicles	82,457	74,373	98,897
Ferry passengers	845,326	832,616	1,949,229
Tourist vehicles	251,938	214,700	559,506

Port Statistics (un-audited)

The financial statements cover the year ended 31 December 2021 together with comparative figures for 2020.

For comparison purposes, the un-audited statistics reproduced above cover trade for Dublin Port Company for the calendar years 2019 – 2021.

Vessels - Total Arrivals



Imports Throughput ('000 tonnes)



Exports Throughput ('000 tonnes)



RoRo Throughput ('000 tonnes)



LoLo Throughput ('000 tonnes)



Bulk Liquid Throughput ('000 tonnes)



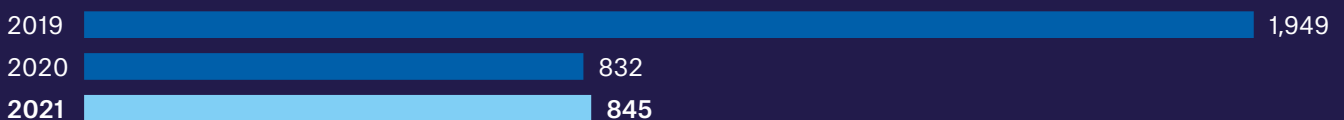
Bulk Solid Throughput ('000 tonnes)



Unitised Volumes Total Units ('000)



Passenger Numbers ('000)



Alexandra Basin Redevelopment Project



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