

**UNDERWRITERS TIER 2 MASTER TRUST PENSION SCHEME**

**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

# UNDERWRITERS TIER 2 MASTER TRUST PENSION SCHEME

Year ended 31 December 2025

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### PARTICULARS OF SERVICE PROVIDERS/ADVISORS

<b>Chairman of Board of Trustees</b>	Mrs. Araba Asumanu B49 Butternut Crescent Regimanuel Estates Community 19, Lashibi
<b>Administrator</b>	Enterprise Trustees LTD Advantage Place Mayor Road Ridge West PMB, GPO Accra
<b>Fund Managers</b>	SAS Investment Management Limited Accra Financial Centre 37 Independence Avenue Accra
<b>Independent auditor</b>	PricewaterhouseCoopers Chartered Accountants PwC Tower A4 Rangoon Lane Cantonments City PMB CT 42, Cantonments Accra
<b>Custodian</b>	Ecobank Ghana PLC 2 Morocco Lane, Off Independence Avenue, Ministerial Area, Accra.

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### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees present their report together with the audited financial statements of Underwriters Tier 2 Master Trust (the "Scheme") for the year ended 31 December 2025.

#### Establishment, nature and the status of the scheme

The Scheme is a defined Contribution Scheme which provides lump sum benefits on retirement and such other ancillary benefits to members who meet the qualifying conditions stipulated under the National Pensions Act, 2008 (Act 766) as amended.

The Scheme is a tax exempt pension fund under the National Pensions Act, 2008 (Act 766) and any amendments made to it thereafter. The Scheme's activities are bound by provisions of the National Pensions Act, 2008, (Act 766) as amended, Occupational and Personal Pension Schemes (General) Regulations, 2011 (L.I.1990), guidelines formulated and published and any Board directives that may be issued from time to time as well as the Governing Rules of the Scheme.

The Trustees of the Scheme are ultimately responsible for administration of the Scheme and their responsibility to the Scheme is established by a Trust Deed and Scheme Governing Rules approved on 1 November 2012.

Scheme Governing Rules and the Trust Deed both of which are subject to the National Pensions Act, 2008, (Act 766) as amended, form the basis of establishing the Scheme.

<b>Scheme membership statistics</b>	<b>Members</b>
At 1 January 2025	41,174
Withdrawals during the year	(166)
Joiners during the year	<u>8,453</u>
At 31 December 2025	<u>49,461</u>

#### Summary statistics of withdrawals

Transfers-out	69
Statutory retirement	84
Early retirement	-
Permanent emigration	7
Disability	-
Death	<u>6</u>
	<u>166</u>

During the year, there were 44 partial withdrawals.

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### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)

#### *Retirement benefits*

Members of the Scheme are entitled to lump sum payments from balances standing to the credit of their accrued benefits or personal savings upon retirement.

#### *Termination terms*

In the event of winding up of the Scheme:

- i. Contributions made by the Employer on behalf of each member before the vesting period shall not be available to the liquidator of the Scheme.
- ii. Unpaid contributions of the employer and payroll deductions made from the contributor's salary which have been remitted to a trustee at the time of liquidation shall have priority over any other debt.

Where the Scheme is being liquidated:

- i. The Trustees shall not receive any contribution from the date of commencement of the winding-up.
- ii. Any other schemes operated by the Trustees may be merged with a scheme operated by another trustee with the approval of members of the Scheme and with directions from the Board of the National Pensions Regulatory Authority.
- iii. The merger shall be conducted by the other trustee through the transfer of assets and liabilities of the Scheme by the Trustee to that trustee.

Where the registration of a custodian is being withdrawn, the Trustees shall appoint another custodian approved by the governing Board of the National Pensions Regulatory Authority with the approval of members.

#### **Access to information**

##### *Online Platform:*

As part of the service offering, members have access to an online self-service platform called 'the Stable'. The Stable allows members to check on payments made on their behalf, view and print statements, upload beneficiary details, make enquiries online, make amendment request, download benefit payment forms and download and print membership certificates. The online self-service platform can be accessed at <https://thestable.etportal.app/portal/index?faces-redirect=true>

##### *Call Centre:*

Members have access to a Call Centre service. Individual members are able to reach the Scheme administrator with their concerns for prompt feedback by call to +233 302 634704 or email to [complaints.trustees@myenterprise.com.io](mailto:complaints.trustees@myenterprise.com.io).

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### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)**

#### **Access to information (continued)**

##### *Electronic Newsletter:*

Periodically, the Administrator, Enterprise Trustees LTD circulates relevant pension information to all members of the Scheme via its Newsletter dubbed "The Trustees". Monthly member summary statements are also sent via email to members.

##### *Advantage Report:*

The Advantage Report which details the performance of the scheme over a period is circulated to members quarterly. The report shows the growth and performance of the scheme.

##### *SMS Notification:*

SMS notifications are sent to members alerting them of their monthly contributions and any other relevant information.

##### *Enterprise Market and branches:*

The Scheme's Administrator, Enterprise Trustees LTD, operates a network of branches across the country to provide members with convenient access to information and in-person transaction support. Currently, there are seven (7) branches nationwide, located as follows: three (3) in Accra, and one (1) each in Tema, Kumasi, Tamale, and Takoradi.

##### *Stakeholder Forums:*

As part of the process of increasing the interaction with our members, Enterprise Trustees LTD instituted the Members Stakeholder Forum. The objective of the stakeholder forum is to brief members on the stewardship of the Trustees and the performance of the Scheme. It also affords members the opportunity to interact with senior management of the Scheme and the Trustees including the Independent Trustee.

##### *Annual General Meeting:*

The Scheme organised its Annual General Meeting (AGM) in 2025 with the aim of promoting transparency and accountability. The meeting offered a platform for member feedback and questions, while also outlining the strategic direction and future plans for the Scheme.

##### *Social Media platforms:*

Enterprise Trustees LTD maintains active social media presence on X, Facebook, LinkedIn, and Instagram to engage members.

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### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)**

#### **Investment report**

Statement of Investment Principles:

We the Board of Trustees attest that Scheme funds have been invested with the objective of obtaining safe and fair returns in accordance with National Pensions Act, 2008 (Act 766) and any amendments thereafter and Occupational and Personal Pension Schemes (General) Regulations, 2011 (L.I.1990). We confirm that there has been full compliance with prohibitions on investments which include but are not limited to, use of Pension Fund assets as collateral, investing outside Maximum Allowable limits, investing outside the scope of Assets stipulated by the Investment Guidelines and investing in securities issued by any issuer for which there exists a conflict of interest.

Particulars of Investment Policy:

The Scheme seeks to provide for the payment of lump sum benefits to members when they retire or should any unforeseen event occur in relation to the Members. To achieve this broad objective, the Scheme seeks to achieve a total rate of return sufficient to provide generous current distributions to the members and to allow for the growth necessary to increase future distributions. The Scheme is managed on a going-concern basis with the primary objective of providing high rates of return, consistent with prevailing market conditions, a high-quality standard of investment, and moderate levels of risk.

The objective of the Trustees is to achieve net return 1.5% above the average 182-day treasury bill rate per annum. The primary objective in the investment management for the Scheme's assets shall be to emphasise long-term growth of the principal within reasonable and prudent levels of risk. Short-term volatility will be tolerated in as much as it is consistent with the volatility of a comparable market index.

In pursuance of the requirement of Act 766, the Trustees will maintain constituent funds, each with the different investment objective. To diversify investment risk and achieve the above investment objectives, the Scheme's assets will be invested in the major asset classes and allocations will be maintained within the corresponding ranges according to the following Investment Policy Portfolio. This will be reviewed periodically to reflect changes in the market.

Under the current macro-economic environment and considering the available investment instruments in Ghana, The Board of Trustees has adopted the recommended maximum limit to investments instruments required by the National Pensions Regulatory Authority.

Investment strategy is dynamic and therefore as new investment instruments are introduced into the market, the Trustees will consider whether or not these assets fall into the category of acceptable and appropriate investments for the pension portfolio.

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### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)

#### Investment report (continued)

Particulars of Investment Policy (continued):

The minimum expected yield from the portfolio of investments are:

Cash and cash equivalents	:	Call Rate
Government Bills	:	Average 182 Treasury Bill Rate plus 4%
Municipal Bond & Bills	:	Average 182 Treasury Bill Rate plus 1%
Fixed Income Fund	:	Average 182-day Treasury bill rate plus 4%
Corporate Bonds	:	As Agreed
Equity	:	GSE/Databank Index
Collective Investments	:	GSE Composite Index/Average of 182-Day Treasury bill rate plus 4%
Alternative Investments	:	As Agreed

This serves as the Fund Manager's benchmarks in terms of yields or returns on their portfolio.

This Investment Policy until revised remains to be the duly approved Investment Policy governing the Underwriters Tier 2 Master Trust Pension Scheme.

#### Investment Allocation

The table below shows the Scheme's asset mix as set out in the Statement of Investment Policy and the actual asset mix at 31 December 2025.

Asset Type	Maximum	Actual	Investment	Gross	Gross
			Income	Amount	Amount
	%	%	2025	2025	2024
			GH¢'000	GH¢'000	GH¢'000
Government of Ghana securities	75	61.39	33,962	269,371	197,039
Local government securities	25	0.03	22	150	190
Corporate debt securities	35	0.00	15	-	-
Money market securities	35	20.03	15,622	87,832	64,614
Listed equities instruments	20	12.11	28,071	53,118	32,296
Alternative investments	15	0.66	(448)	2,914	3,362
Collective investments	15	<u>5.78</u>	<u>623</u>	<u>25,381</u>	<u>27,590</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<u>100</u>	<u>77,867</u>	<u>438,766</u>	<u>325,091</u>

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### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)

#### Net assets available for benefits

Net assets available for benefit of members as at 31 December 2025 is GH¢479,778,000 (2024: GH¢390,403,000). The movement in the Scheme's net asset is set out on page 15 of the financial statements.

#### EXPENSES

All expenses of the Scheme are charged against the Scheme. We confirm that expenses charged and deducted from the Scheme funds are those allowable under the National Pensions Act, 2008 (Act 766) as amended, guidelines on fees and charges and any other directives issued by the Authority from time to time. The applicable fee rate per service provider is accrued on daily basis and charged out for payment on monthly basis.

Set out below is a summary of expenses incurred by the Scheme during the year as well as actual rates applied compared to the maximum allowable rate set by the Regulator.

Asset Type	Maximum Rate % p.a.	2025	2025	2024
		Actual Rate % p.a.	Amount GH¢'000	Amount GH¢'000
NPRA fees	0.33	0.33	1,270	904
Trustee fees	1.33	1.32	5,104	3,617
Fund Manager fees	0.56	0.33	1,355	904
Custodian fees	0.28	0.20	770	540
Audit fees	0.00	0.00	<u>81</u>	<u>81</u>
			<u>8,580</u>	<u>6,046</u>

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### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)

#### TRUSTEES

The membership of the Board of trustees are as follows:

Name	NPRA license No.	Position	Date of appointment	Date of exit
Mr. Charles Akun Egan	NPRA15156	Independent Trustee/Chairman	29 October 2024	Deceased
Ms. Hilda Owusu	NPRA15017	Member	16 October 2014	
Mrs. Araba Asumanu	NPRA161116	Chairperson	25 July 2016	
Mr. Stephen Teye Tettey	NPRA24009	Member	19 February 2024	
Mr Mensah Seneadza	NPRA24038	Member	7 March 2024	
Mr. Charles Acquah	NPRA15027	Independent Trustee	1 August 2025	

#### Statutory requirements

The Trustees have complied with the requirements of the National Pensions Act, 2008 (Act 766) as amended, Occupational and Personal Pension Schemes (General) Regulations 2011 (L.I.1990), Guidelines and Board Directives that have been issued.

#### Auditor

The Scheme's auditor, PricewaterhouseCoopers, has expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditor of the Scheme.

#### On behalf of the Board of Trustees

Name of Independent Trustee: Mr. Charles Acquah

Signature: 

Name of Trustee: Mrs. Araba Asumanu

Signature: 

29 April 2026

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### STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The National Pensions Act, 2008 (Act 766) as amended and the Occupational and Personal Pension Schemes (General) Regulations, 2011(L.I.1990) require the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which gives a true and fair view of the financial transactions of the Scheme for the year and of the disposition at year end of its assets and liabilities. It also requires the Trustees to ensure that the Scheme keeps proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Scheme. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Scheme.

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IFRS Accounting Standards") as adopted by the Institute of Chartered Accountants, Ghana (ICAG) and the requirements of the National Pensions Act, 2008 (Act 766) as amended and the Occupational and Personal Pension Schemes (General) Regulations, 2011 (L.I. 1990). The Trustees have instituted appropriate internal controls to avert cases of fraud or error from which material misstatements may arise.

The Trustees accept responsibility for the annual financial statements, which have been prepared using appropriate accounting policies supported by reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates, in conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IFRS Accounting Standards") as adopted by the Institute of Chartered Accountants, Ghana (ICAG) and in the manner required by the National Pensions Act, 2008 (Act 766) as amended and the Occupational and Personal Pension Schemes (General) Regulations, 2011 (L.I. 1990). The Trustees assert that the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the financial affairs of Underwriters Tier 2 Master Trust Pension Scheme.

#### For the Trustees:

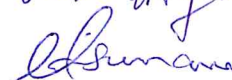
Name of Independent Trustee: Mr. Charles Acquah

Signature:



Name of Trustee: Mrs. Araba Asumanu

Signature:



29 April 2026

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT  
TO THE MEMBERS OF UNDERWRITERS TIER 2 MASTER TRUST PENSION SCHEME  
REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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**Our opinion**

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of Underwriters Tier 2 Master Trust Pension Scheme (the "Scheme") as at 31 December 2025, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IFRS Accounting Standards") as adopted by the Institute of Chartered Accountants, Ghana (ICAG) and in the manner required by the Occupational and Personal Pension Schemes (General) Regulations, 2011.

*What we have audited*

We have audited the financial statements of Underwriters Tier 2 Master Trust Pension Scheme for the year ended 31 December 2025.

The financial statements comprise:

- the statement of net assets available for benefits as at 31 December 2025;
- the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended;
- the statement of movement in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended;
- the statement of cash flows for the year then ended; and
- the notes to the financial statements, comprising a summary of material accounting policy information and other explanatory information.

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**Basis for opinion**

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

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

*Independence*

We are independent of the Scheme in accordance with the International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) (the Code) issued by the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

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**Key audit matters**

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the Scheme's financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

We have determined that there are no key audit matters to communicate in our report.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT  
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**Other information**

The Trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises Particulars of service providers/advisors, Report of the Trustees and Statement of Trustees' responsibilities but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above 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, based on the work we have performed on the other information, 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.

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**Responsibilities of the Trustees for the financial statements**

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IFRS Accounting Standards") as adopted by the Institute of Chartered Accountants, Ghana (ICAG) and in the manner required by Occupational and Personal Pension Schemes (General) Regulations, 2011, and for such internal control as the Trustees 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 Trustees are responsible for assessing the Scheme'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 Trustees either intend to liquidate the Scheme or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Trustees are responsible for overseeing the Scheme's financial reporting process.

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**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 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, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism 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.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT  
TO THE MEMBERS OF UNDERWRITERS TIER 2 MASTER TRUST PENSION SCHEME  
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**Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements (continued)**

- 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 Scheme's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Trustees.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Trustees' 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 Scheme'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 our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Scheme 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 the Trustees regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the Trustees with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and have communicated with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.

From the matters communicated with the Trustees, we determine 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. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

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**REPORT ON OTHER LEGAL AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS**

The Occupational and Personal Pension Schemes (General) Regulations, 2011 requires that in carrying out our audit we consider and report on the following matters. We confirm that:

- i) we have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit;
- ii) in our opinion proper books of account have been kept by the Scheme, so far as appears from our examination of those books; and
- iii) the Scheme's balance sheet (statement of net assets available for benefits) and profit and loss account (statement of changes in net assets available for benefits) are in agreement with the books of account; and
- iv) the Scheme in all material respects complied with the requirements of Section 35 of the Occupational and Personal Pension Schemes (General) Regulations, 2011.

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The engagement leader on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Thelma Owusu-Banahene (ICAG/P/1632).

*PricewaterhouseCoopers*  
**PricewaterhouseCoopers (ICAG/F/2026/028)**  
**Chartered Accountants**  
Accra, Ghana  
29 April 2026



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**STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS**

(All amounts are in thousands of Ghana cedis)

	Note	At 31 December	
		2025	2024
<b>Assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	532	716
Financial assets at amortised cost	5	357,354	261,280
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	6	81,412	63,248
Accounts receivable	7	<u>44,172</u>	<u>67,239</u>
		<b><u>483,470</u></b>	<b><u>392,483</u></b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Benefits payable	8	160	-
Administrative expenses payable	9	851	655
Other payables	10	<u>2,681</u>	<u>1,425</u>
		<b><u>3,692</u></b>	<b><u>2,080</u></b>
<b>Total assets less liabilities</b>		<b><u>479,778</u></b>	<b><u>390,403</u></b>
Represented by:			
<b>Net assets available for benefits</b>		<b><u>479,778</u></b>	<b><u>390,403</u></b>

The financial statements on pages 14 to 33 were approved for issue by the Board of Trustees on <sup>29</sup>..... April 2026 and were signed on their behalf by:

  
.....  
Mrs. Araba Asumanu  
Trustee

  
.....  
Mr. Charles Acquah  
Independent Trustee

The notes on pages 18 to 33 form an integral part of the financial statements.

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS**

(All amounts are in thousands of Ghana cedis)

		Year ended 31 December	
	Note	2025	2024
<b>Dealings with members</b>			
Contributions	11	59,012	77,409
Impairment of prior year contribution receivable		(29,535)	-
Benefits	12	<u>(15,554)</u>	<u>(7,579)</u>
Net additions from dealings with members		<u>13,923</u>	<u>69,830</u>
<b>Returns on investments</b>			
Investment income	13	53,005	56,327
Less: Brokerage fees		<u>(499)</u>	<u>(192)</u>
Net investment income		<u>52,506</u>	<u>56,135</u>
Gain on investment securities at fair value through profit or loss	14	28,246	16,163
Impairment release/(charge)	5	3,280	(1,132)
Derecognition loss	5	-	(890)
Administrative expenses	15	<u>(8,580)</u>	<u>(6,046)</u>
		<u>22,946</u>	<u>8,095</u>
Increase in net assets for the year		<u>89,375</u>	<u>134,060</u>

The notes on pages 18 to 33 form an integral part of the financial statements.

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### STATEMENT OF MOVEMENT IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

(All amounts are in thousands of Ghana cedis)

	Note	Year ended 31 December	
		2025	2024
<b>Net assets available for benefits</b>			
<b>At start of year</b>		<b>390,403</b>	256,343
Increase in net assets for the year		<u>89,375</u>	<u>134,060</u>
<b>At end of year</b>	16	<b><u>479,778</u></b>	<b><u>390,403</u></b>

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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**

(All amounts are in thousands of Ghana cedis)

		Year ended 31 December	
	Note	2025	2024
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Increase in net assets for the year		<b>89,375</b>	134,060
Adjusted for:			
Accrued interest	5	<b>(21,808)</b>	(13,533)
Derecognition loss	5	-	890
Changes in financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	6	<b>(28,246)</b>	(16,163)
Impairment (release)/charge	5	<b>(3,280)</b>	1,132
<b>Working capital adjustments:</b>			
Increase in benefits payable		<b>160</b>	-
Increase in administrative expense payable		<b>196</b>	183
Increase/(decrease) other payables		<b>1,256</b>	(87)
Decrease/(increase) in accounts receivable		<b>23,067</b>	(32,514)
<b>Net cash generated from operating activities</b>		<b><u>60,720</u></b>	<u>73,968</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Purchase of debt instruments	5	<b>(484,604)</b>	(443,320)
Purchase of equity instruments	6	<b>(9,973)</b>	(41,519)
Proceeds from equity instruments	6	<b>20,055</b>	-
Proceeds from disposal or maturities debt instruments	5	<b>413,618</b>	411,282
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>		<b><u>(60,904)</u></b>	<u>(73,557)</u>
<b>Net (decrease)/ increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>(184)</b>	411
Cash and cash equivalents as at 1 January	4	<b><u>716</u></b>	<u>305</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents as at 31 December</b>	4	<b><u>532</u></b>	<u>716</u>

The notes on pages 18 to 33 form an integral part of the financial statements

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### **NOTES**

#### **1. Scheme information**

The Scheme is a defined Contribution Scheme which provides lump sum benefits and such other ancillary benefits to members who meet the qualifying conditions stipulated under the National Pensions Act, 2008 (Act 766) as amended. The scheme is a master trust with membership opened to companies and their employees.

As at 31 December 2025, the number of participating companies and employees of the Underwriters Tier 2 Master Trust Pension Scheme is 1,203 and 49,461 respectively.

#### **2. Summary of material accounting policies**

The material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented, unless otherwise stated.

##### **(a) Basis of preparation**

The financial statements of the Scheme have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IFRS Accounting Standards") as adopted by the Institute of Chartered Accountants, Ghana (ICAG) and presented in compliance with the National Pensions Act, 2008 (Act 766) as amended and in the manner required by the Occupational and Personal Pension Schemes (General) Regulations, 2011 (L.I.1990) and relevant guidelines.

The financial statements summarise the transactions of the Scheme and deal with the net assets available to the members. They do not take account of obligations to pay benefits that fall due after the end of the year.

##### *Basis of measurement and use of estimates and judgements*

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except as modified by the revaluation of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS Accounting Standards requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires the Board of Trustees to exercise judgement in the process of applying the Scheme's accounting policies. Areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in note 3.

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### NOTES (continued)

#### 2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

##### (b) Changes in accounting policies and disclosures

###### (i) *New and amended standards adopted by the Scheme*

The Company has applied the following standards and interpretations for the first time to financial reporting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2025:

- Lack of Exchangeability – Amendments to IAS 21, 'The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates

The adoption of the amendments above did not have any impact on the amounts recognised in prior and current periods and are not expected to significantly affect the future periods.

###### (ii) *New standards and interpretations not yet adopted*

Certain new accounting standards, amendments to accounting standards and interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for 31 December 2025 reporting periods and have not been early adopted by the Scheme. These standards, amendments or interpretations are not expected to have a material impact on the Scheme in the current or future reporting periods and on foreseeable future transactions.

##### (c) Functional and presentation currency

The financial statements are presented in Ghana Cedis (GH¢) which is the Scheme's functional and presentation currency.

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the functional currency rate of exchange ruling at the end of the reporting period. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits.

##### (d) Contributions

Contributions are recognised in the period in which they fall due. The Contributions are in compliance with rates as set out in the National Pensions Act, 2008 (Act 766) as amended and the Scheme's Governing Rules.

##### (e) Benefits

Benefits are recognised in the period in which they fall due. Benefits represent all valid benefit claims paid/payable during the year in compliance with the National Pensions Act, 2008 (Act 766) as amended and the Scheme Governing Rules.

Benefits payable to seceding members are recognised as liabilities in the period in which they fall due.

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### NOTES (continued)

#### 2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

##### (f) Investment Income

Dividend Income from investment is recognised when the shareholders' right to receive payment has been established.

Interest income is recognised for all interest-bearing instruments using the effective interest method. Interest income includes coupons earned on fixed income investments and accrued discount and premium on treasury bills and other discounted instruments.

##### (g) Financial assets and liabilities

###### *Initial recognition and measurement*

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Scheme becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on trade-date, the date on which the Scheme commits to purchase or sell the asset.

At initial recognition, the Scheme measures a financial asset or financial liability at its fair value plus or minus transaction costs that are incremental and directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of the financial asset or financial liability.

When the fair value of financial assets and liabilities differs from the transaction price on initial recognition, the Scheme recognises the difference as follows:

- i) When the fair value is evidenced by a quoted price in an active market for an identical asset or liability (i.e. a Level 1 input) or based on a valuation technique that uses only data from observable markets, the difference is recognised as a gain or loss.
- ii) In all other cases, the differences are deferred and the timing of recognition of deferred day one profit or loss is determined individually. It is either amortised over the life of the instrument, deferred until the instrument's fair value can be determined using market observable inputs, or realised through settlement.

###### *Classification and subsequent measurement*

##### Financial assets

The Scheme applies IFRS 9 and classified its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- At fair value through profit or loss (FVPL); and
- At amortised cost.

The classification depends on the Scheme's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual terms of the cash flows.

For assets measured at fair value, gains and losses will be recorded in statement of changes in net assets available for benefits.

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### NOTES (continued)

#### 2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

##### (g) Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

###### *Classification and subsequent measurement (continued)*

The Scheme classifies its financial assets at amortised cost only if the asset is held within a business model whose objective is to collect the contractual cash flows, and the contractual terms give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest.

The business model reflects how the Scheme manages the assets in order to generate cash flows. Factors considered by the Scheme in determining the business model for a group of assets include past experience on how the cash flows for these assets were collected, how the asset's performance is evaluated and reported to the Board of Trustees, how risks are assessed and managed and how the Fund managers are compensated.

Where the business model is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows or to collect contractual cash flows and sell, the Scheme assesses whether the financial instruments' cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest (the 'SPPI test').

###### *Impairment*

The loss allowances for financial assets are based on assumptions about risk of default and expected loss rates. The Scheme uses judgement in making these assumptions and selecting the inputs to the impairment calculation, based on the Scheme's past history, existing market conditions as well as forward looking estimates at the end of each reporting period.

###### *Modification of financial assets*

If the Scheme renegotiates the terms of financial assets which are substantially different, it derecognises the original financial asset and recognises a 'new' asset at fair value and recalculates a new effective interest rate for the asset. The date of renegotiation is consequently considered to be the date of initial recognition for impairment calculation purposes, including for the purpose of determining whether a significant increase in credit risk has occurred.

However, the Scheme also assesses whether the new financial asset recognised is deemed to be credit-impaired at initial recognition, especially in circumstances where the renegotiation was driven by the debtor being unable to make the originally agreed payments. Differences in the carrying amount are also recognised in profit or loss as a gain or loss on derecognition.

If the renegotiated terms are not substantially different, the renegotiation or modification does not result in derecognition, and the Scheme recalculates the gross carrying amount based on the revised cash flows of the financial asset and recognises a modification gain or loss in profit or loss. The new gross carrying amount is recalculated by discounting the modified cash flows at the original effective interest rate (or credit-adjusted effective interest rate for purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets).

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### NOTES (continued)

#### 2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

##### (g) Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

###### *Derecognition*

The Scheme derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from these assets expire, or it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows on the financial asset in a transaction in which substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred or which the Scheme neither transfers nor retains substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership and it does not retain control of the financial asset. Any interest in transferred financial assets that is created or retained by the Scheme is recognised as a separate asset or liability.

###### **Financial liabilities**

The Scheme's holding in financial liabilities represents mainly benefits payable and administrative expenses payable to members and service providers respectively. Such financial liabilities are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost.

###### *Derecognition*

The Scheme derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged or cancelled or expired.

###### **Offsetting financial instruments**

Financial assets and liabilities are set off and the net amount presented in the net assets available for benefits when, and only when, the Scheme has a legal right to set off the amounts and intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

###### **Fair value measurement**

The determination of fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities is based on quoted market prices or dealer price quotations for financial instruments traded in active markets. For all other financial instruments fair value is determined using valuation techniques.

###### **Write-offs**

The Scheme writes off financial assets as bad debt when the following have occurred; either upon liquidation, inability to locate issuer for over 6 months. Such events provide an indication that there is no reasonable expectation of recovery. It is the Scheme's policy to follow up on all defaulters and to use reasonable means to recover bad debt after write off.

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### NOTES (continued)

#### 2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

##### (h) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Scheme has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events it is more likely than not that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation and the amount can be reliably estimated. Where the obligation is expected to be settled over a period of years, the provision is discounted using a discount rate appropriate to the nature of the provision.

##### (i) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash at bank represents cash held with licensed financial institutions.

##### (j) Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses are recognised in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits when incurred.

#### 3. Critical accounting estimates and judgements

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. In particular, critical estimates are made by the Trustees in determining the fair value of investments that are not traded in an active market.

##### *Determining fair values*

The determination of fair values for financial assets for which there is no observable market price requires the use of valuation models. The fair value hierarchy of the financial assets of the Scheme is set out in note 19.

##### *Measurement of the expected credit loss allowance*

The measurement of the expected credit loss allowance for financial assets measured at amortised cost is an area that requires the use of models and significant assumptions about future economic conditions and credit behaviour (e.g. the likelihood of customers defaulting and the resulting losses).

The method applied in the determination of impairment charge on the Scheme's financial assets measured at amortised cost is set out under note 17 of these financial statements.

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#### 4. Cash and cash equivalents

	2025	2024
Cash at bank	<u>532</u>	<u>716</u>

#### 5. Financial assets at amortised cost

	Government securities	Fixed deposits	Total
<b><u>Year ended 31 December 2025</u></b>			
<i>Gross financial assets:</i>			
At 1 January 2025	202,649	64,614	267,263
Settlement on exchange/additions	194,791	289,813	484,604
Exchange bonds/matured securities	(142,603)	(271,015)	(413,618)
Accrued interest	<u>17,424</u>	<u>4,384</u>	<u>21,808</u>
At 31 December 2025	<u>272,261</u>	<u>87,796</u>	<u>360,057</u>
<i>Impairment provision:</i>			
At 1 January 2025	(5,731)	(252)	(5,983)
Release for the year	<u>3,028</u>	<u>252</u>	<u>3,280</u>
At 31 December 2025	<u>(2,703)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,703)</u>
Net financial assets	<u>269,558</u>	<u>87,796</u>	<u>357,354</u>

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#### 5. Financial assets at amortised cost (continued)

<u>Year ended 31 December 2024</u>	Government securities	Fixed deposits	Total
<i>Gross financial assets:</i>			
At 1 January 2024	166,162	56,420	222,582
Settlement on exchange/additions	105,182	338,138	443,320
Exchange bonds/matured securities	(80,374)	(330,908)	(411,282)
Derecognition loss	(890)	-	(890)
Accrued interest	<u>12,569</u>	<u>964</u>	<u>13,533</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>202,649</u>	<u>64,614</u>	<u>267,263</u>
<i>Impairment provision:</i>			
At 1 January 2024	(4,772)	(79)	(4,851)
Charge for the year	<u>(959)</u>	<u>(173)</u>	<u>(1,132)</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>(5,731)</u>	<u>(252)</u>	<u>(5,983)</u>
Net financial assets	<u>196,918</u>	<u>64,362</u>	<u>261,280</u>

#### 2024 derecognition loss on Government of Ghana Eurobonds

The restructure of the Government of Ghana Eurobonds in 2024 was considered significant modification of the financial asset. As a result, the old Eurobonds were derecognised and the new bonds received were recognised as new financial assets. In line with IFRS 9, the new bonds were recognised at fair value. A discount rate of 8% was used to determine the prices of the new bonds at on the day of the exchange.

	<b>2024</b>
Carrying amount on date of exchange	<b>9,339</b>
Fair value on date of exchange	<b><u>(8,449)</u></b>
Derecognition loss	<b><u>890</u></b>

#### 6. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

<u>Year ended 31 December 2025</u>	Equity investments	Collective Investments	Alternative investments	Total
At 1 January 2025	32,296	27,590	3,362	63,248
Additions	6,973	3,000	-	9,973
Disposals	(14,223)	(5,832)	-	(20,055)
Change in fair value	<u>28,071</u>	<u>628</u>	<u>(453)</u>	<u>28,246</u>
At 31 December 2025	<u>53,117</u>	<u>25,386</u>	<u>2,909</u>	<u>81,412</u>

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**6. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (continued)**

<u>Year ended 31 December 2024</u>	Equity investments	Collective Investments	Alternative investments	Total
At 1 January 2024	1,913	3,653	-	5,566
Additions	18,329	19,690	3,500	41,519
Change in fair value	<u>12,054</u>	<u>4,247</u>	<u>(138)</u>	<u>16,163</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>32,296</u>	<u>27,590</u>	<u>3,362</u>	<u>63,248</u>

Equity investments consist of shareholdings in the following entities:

	2025	2024
Scancom Ghana PLC	36,437	30,941
GCB Bank PLC	6,518	200
Access Bank Ghana PLC	5,177	102
First Atlantic Bank PLC	2,640	-
Total Petroleum Ghana PLC	861	280
Societe Generale Ghana Limited	522	174
Standard Chartered Bank Ghana PLC	382	300
Ghana Oil Company Limited	244	125
CalBank PLC	211	115
Benso Oil Palm Plantation Ltd	59	27
Republic Bank Ghana PLC	42	21
Fan Milk Limited	<u>24</u>	<u>11</u>
	<u>53,117</u>	<u>32,296</u>

Collective investment consist of holdings in the following funds:

New Gold	15,172	12,343
Enhanced Equity Beta Fund	9,796	14,922
Republic REIT	274	217
SDC CMF	53	44
Republic UTF	51	39
Fidelity IFT	<u>40</u>	<u>25</u>
	<u>25,386</u>	<u>27,590</u>

Alternative investments consist of holdings in the following funds

Sentinel Africa Eurobond Trust	<u>2,909</u>	<u>3,362</u>
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**7. Accounts receivable**

	2025	2024
Gross accounts receivable	73,707	68,567
Allowance for impairment – investment receivable	-	(1,328)
Allowance for impairment – contribution receivable	<u>(29,535)</u>	-
	<u>44,172</u>	<u>67,239</u>

Surcharge for late receipt of contribution from the various employer groups for the year ended 31 December 2025 was GH¢24,155,335 (2024: GH¢14,356,178). The surcharge is to be applied on the employer groups for late remittance of the contributions. Surcharge received for the year was GH¢1,469,042 (2024: GH¢ 75,738).

**8. Benefits payable**

	2025	2024
Withdrawals payable	<u>160</u>	-

**9. Administrative expenses payable**

NPRA fees	121	90
Trustee (administrator) fees payable	483	360
Fund manager fees payable	158	90
Custodian fees payable	73	55
Audit fees payable	<u>16</u>	<u>60</u>
	<u>851</u>	<u>655</u>

**10. Other payables**

Outstanding trustee fee on unallocated funds	237	6
Excess coupon received payable to Central Securities Depository (CSD)	1,421	1,419
Contribution refundable	1	-
Excess Interest received	972	-
Exchange differences arising from claims paid	<u>50</u>	-
	<u>2,681</u>	<u>1,425</u>

**11. Contributions**

Contributions received	49,150	48,289
Contributions outstanding	<u>9,862</u>	<u>29,120</u>
	<u>59,012</u>	<u>77,409</u>

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**12. Benefits**

	<b>2025</b>	2024
Lump sum benefit paid	<b>15,394</b>	7,579
Lump sum benefit payable	<u>160</u>	<u>-</u>
	<b><u>15,554</u></b>	<b><u>7,579</u></b>

**13. Investment income**

Interest on treasury bonds	<b>33,984</b>	38,011
Interest on money market securities	<b>15,622</b>	11,607
Interest on corporate bonds	<b>15</b>	-
Dividend income	<b>4,220</b>	736
Other (expense)/ income	<u>(836)</u>	<u>5,973</u>
	<b><u>53,005</u></b>	<b><u>56,327</u></b>

Other income/expense relates to exchange differences, interest on call account and discount on bonds.

**14. Net valuation of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss**

	<b>2025</b>	2024
Gain in valuation of ordinary shares holdings	<b>28,071</b>	12,054
Loss from valuation of alternative investments	<b>(453)</b>	(138)
Gain from valuation of collective investments	<u>628</u>	<u>4,247</u>
	<b><u>28,246</u></b>	<b><u>16,163</u></b>

**15. Administrative expenses**

NPRA fees	<b>1,270</b>	904
Administrator fees	<b>5,104</b>	3,617
Fund manager fees	<b>1,355</b>	904
Custodian fees	<b>770</b>	540
Auditor's remuneration	<u>81</u>	<u>81</u>
	<b><u>8,580</u></b>	<b><u>6,046</u></b>

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#### 16. Net assets available for benefits

<u>Year ended 31 December 2025</u>	Cumulative Contribution	Cumulative Net Investment Income and expenses	Total
At 1 January 2025	228,766	161,637	390,403
Additions	29,478	81,250	110,728
Deductions	<u>(15,554)</u>	<u>(5,799)</u>	<u>(21,353)</u>
<b>At 31 December 2025</b>	<b><u>242,690</u></b>	<b><u>237,088</u></b>	<b><u>479,778</u></b>
<u>Year ended 31 December 2024</u>			
At 1 January 2024	158,936	97,407	256,343
Additions	77,409	72,298	149,707
Deductions	<u>(7,579)</u>	<u>(8,068)</u>	<u>(15,647)</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>228,766</u>	<u>161,637</u>	<u>390,403</u>

#### 17. Financial risk management, objectives and policies

##### Risk management framework

The Trustees have overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Scheme's Risk Management framework.

The Scheme's Risk Management policies are established to identify and analyse the risks faced by the Scheme, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor risks and adherence to limits.

The Trustees, through the standards and procedures aims to develop a disciplined and constructive control environment, in which all Trustees understand their roles and obligations.

The Trustees are responsible for monitoring compliance with risk management policies and procedures, and for reviewing the adequacy of the risk management framework in relation to risks faced by the Scheme.

##### Credit risk

An Investment Asset Allocation Policy which is aimed at ensuring that the Trustees positions the Scheme's portfolio to amass optimal returns within the changing market environment and expectations while ensuring that the corpus, risk and performance of the investment portfolio remains relatively safe and sound, is reviewed and approved by the Board of Trustees.

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#### 17. Financial risk management, objectives and policies (continued)

##### Credit risk (continued)

The Scheme's policy over credit risk is to minimise its exposure to counterparties with perceived higher risk of default by dealing only with counterparties that meets the standards set out in the NPRA guidelines and the Scheme's investment policy statement.

The Scheme adopts a three-stage approach for impairment assessment based on changes in credit quality from initial recognition.

- Stage 1 – Where there has not been a significant increase in credit risk (SICR) since initial recognition of a financial instrument, an amount equal to 12 months expected credit loss is recorded. The expected credit loss is computed using a probability of default occurring over the next 12 months. For those instruments with a remaining maturity of less than 12 months, a probability of default corresponding to remaining term to maturity is used.
- Stage 2 – When a financial instrument experiences a SICR subsequent to origination but is not considered to be in default, it is included in Stage 2. This requires the computation of expected credit loss based on the probability of default over the remaining estimated life of the financial instrument.
- Stage 3 – Financial instruments that are considered to be in default are included in this stage. Similar to Stage 2, the allowance for credit losses captures the lifetime expected credit losses.
- POCI: Purchased or originated credit impaired (POCI) assets are financial assets that are credit impaired on initial recognition. POCI assets are recorded at fair value at original recognition and interest income is subsequently recognised based on a credit-adjusted EIR. The ECL allowance is only recognised or released to the extent that there is a subsequent change in the expected credit losses.

The Scheme has defined credit impaired financial assets as when the issuer becomes 90 days past due on its contractual payments or when there is qualitative information of the issuer being in significant financial difficulty.

The expected loss model is developed using statistical techniques based on actual historical data. The expected loss is calculated using parameter estimates including the probability of default (PD'), exposure at default ('EAD') and loss given default ('LGD').

The Scheme utilised the 30-days past due definition to determine a significant increase in credit risk.

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**17. Financial risk management, objectives and policies (continued)****Credit risk (continued)****Maximum exposure to credit risk**

The Scheme's maximum exposure to credit risk is as follows:

	2025	2024
Cash at bank	532	716
Financial assets at amortised cost	360,057	261,843
Accounts receivable	<u>63,845</u>	<u>68,567</u>
	<u>424,434</u>	<u>331,126</u>

**Analysis of credit quality**

<u>Year ended 31 December 2025</u>	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	POCI	Total
Financial assets at amortised cost	87,834	251,719	20,504	-	360,057
Accounts receivable	<u>44,172</u>	<u>14,389</u>	<u>5,284</u>	-	<u>63,845</u>
Gross carrying amount	<b>132,006</b>	<b>266,108</b>	<b>25,788</b>	-	<b>423,902</b>
Loss allowance	<u>(19,673)</u>	-	<u>(2,703)</u>	-	<u>(22,376)</u>
<b>Carrying amount</b>	<u><b>112,333</b></u>	<u><b>266,108</b></u>	<u><b>23,085</b></u>	-	<u><b>401,526</b></u>
<u>Year ended 31 December 2024</u>					
Financial assets at amortised cost	64,614	31,178	157,420	8,631	261,843
Accounts receivable	<u>67,239</u>	-	<u>1,328</u>	-	<u>68,567</u>
Gross carrying amount	131,853	31,178	158,748	8,631	330,410
Loss allowance	<u>(252)</u>	<u>(311)</u>	<u>(1,328)</u>	-	<u>(1,891)</u>
<b>Carrying amount</b>	<u><b>131,601</b></u>	<u><b>30,867</b></u>	<u><b>157,420</b></u>	<u><b>8,631</b></u>	<u><b>328,519</b></u>

While cash and cash equivalents are also subject to the impairment requirements of IFRS 9, the identified impairment loss was immaterial.

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## 17. Financial risk management, objectives and policies (continued)

### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk associated with a situation where the Scheme does not have sufficient financial resources available to meet all of its obligations and commitments when they fall due or can access them at an excessive cost. A threshold amount has been set based on historical accrued benefits paid to ensure that this risk is mitigated wholly.

The benefits payable, administrative expenses payable and other payables amounts disclosed in the financial statements are the contractual undiscounted cash flows. These balances are due within 12 months and equal their carrying balances.

### Market risk

Market risk is the risk associated with changes in market prices, such as interest rate, equity prices and foreign exchange rates that will affect the Scheme's income or the value of its portfolio of financial instruments. This systematic risk cannot be mitigated through diversification.

### Price risk

Listed equity securities are susceptible to market price risk arising from uncertainties about future values of the investment securities. Keen attention is paid to the equity market to realize capital gains on equity securities. At 31 December 2025, if the prices of all equity securities and collective instruments had increased/decreased by 1% with all other variables held constant, the 'increase in net assets available for benefits for the year would have been GH¢814,120 higher/lower (2024: GH¢162,000).

### Interest rate risk

Interest risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Schemes investment horizon has moved towards the shorter tenor investments as they offer less interest rate risk. For certain bonds with issuers other than the Government of Ghana, investments are placed with a floating rate to hedge against this risk.

At 31 December 2025, a change of 1% in interest rates with all other variables held constant would have resulted in an increase/decrease in the Net Assets Available for Benefits of GH¢3,573,540 (2024: GH¢2,043,000) arising substantially from the change in market values of debt securities.

## 18. Tax status of the Scheme

The Underwriters Tier 2 Master Trust Pension Scheme has been approved by the National Pensions Regulatory Authority and is exempt from income tax on its investment income in accordance with Section 94 (2) of the Income Tax Act 2015 (Act 896) as amended.

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#### 19. Fair value measurements

##### *Fair value hierarchy*

IFRS 7 specifies a hierarchy of valuation techniques based on whether the inputs to those valuation techniques are observable or unobservable. Observable inputs reflect market data obtained from independent sources; unobservable inputs reflect the Scheme's market assumptions. These two types of inputs have created the following fair value hierarchy:

**Level 1** – Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. This level includes equity securities listed on the Ghana Stock Exchange.

**Level 2** – Inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (as prices) or indirectly (derived from prices). This level includes collective investments and alternative investments.

**Level 3** – inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs). This level includes equity investments and debt instruments with significant unobservable components.

The hierarchy of the financial assets of the Scheme at the end of the year is as follows:

	Level 1	Level 2	Total
At 31 December 2025			
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	<u>53,118</u>	<u>28,294</u>	<u>81,412</u>
At 31 December 2024			
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	<u>32,296</u>	<u>30,952</u>	<u>63,248</u>

#### 20. Related parties

##### *Related party transactions and balances*

The related parties are the Trustees and Members of the Scheme.

Related party balances and transactions are in respect of fees, contributions and benefits disclosed in notes 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 15 to the financial statements.

#### 21. Commitments and contingencies

As at 31 December 2025, there were no outstanding commitments or contingencies (2024: nil).

#### 22. Events after the reporting period

The Board of Trustees are not aware of any material events after the reporting date and the date the financial statements are approved that require disclosure in or adjustment to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025.