

# Form AR21

Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992

## Annual Return for a Trade Union

Name of Trade Union:	Leek United Building Society Staff Association		
Year ended:	31 January 2020		
List no:	733T		
Head or Main Office address:	St Edward Street		
	Leek		
	Staffordshire		
Postcode	ST13 5DH		
Website address (if available)			
Has the address changed during the year to which the return relates?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	('X' in appropriate box)
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**Please follow the guidance notes in the completion of this return**

Any difficulties or problems in the completion of this return should be directed to the Certification Officer as below or by telephone to: 0330 109 3602

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For Unions based in Scotland: [ymw@tcyoung.co.uk](mailto:ymw@tcyoung.co.uk)

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# Return of Members

(see notes 10 and 11)

	Number of members at the end of the year				
	Great Britain	Northern Ireland	Irish Republic	Elsewhere Abroad (including Channel Islands)	Totals
Male	14	-	-	-	14
Female	63	-	-	-	63
Other	-	-	-	-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>77</b>				A <b>77</b>

Number of members at end of year contributing to the General Fund

77

Number of members included in totals box 'A' above for whom no home or authorised address is held:

zero

## Change of Officers

**Please complete the following to record any changes of officers during the twelve months covered by this return**

Position Held	Name of Officer ceasing to hold Office	Name of Officer Appointed	Date of change
Chairman	Daniel Berrisford	Coco Mercer	30 April 2019
Vice Chairman	Coco Mercer	Michelle Prince	30 April 2019
Membership Secretary	Beverly Northcott	Coco Mercer	30 April 2019
Treasurer	Lorraine West	Daniel Berrisford	30 April 2019

State whether the union is:

a. A branch of another trade union?

Yes

No

If yes, state the name of that other union:

b. A federation of trade unions?

Yes

No

If yes, state the number of affiliated unions:

and names:



# General Fund

(see notes 13 to 18)

	£	£
<b>Income</b>		
<b>From Members:</b> Contributions and Subscriptions		4,750
<b>From Members:</b> Other income from members (specify)		
Lottery		714
Levy		140
<b>Total other income from members</b>		854
<b>Total of all income from members</b>		5,604
<b>Investment income (as at page 12)</b>		49
<b>Other Income</b>		
Income from Federations and other bodies (as at page 4)		
Income from any other sources (as at page 4)		
Total of other income (as at page 4)		
<b>Total income</b>		5,653
<b>Interfund Transfers IN</b>		
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Benefits to members (as at page 5)		
Administrative expenses (as at page 10)		6,366
<b>Federation and other bodies (specify)</b>		
<b>Total expenditure Federation and other bodies</b>		
<b>Taxation</b>		
<b>Total expenditure</b>		6,366
<b>Interfund Transfers OUT</b>		
Surplus (deficit) for year		-713
Amount of general fund at beginning of year		5,359
Amount of general fund at end of year		4,646

# Analysis of income from federation and other bodies and other income

(see notes 19 and 20)

Description	£
<b>Federation and other bodies</b>	
<b>Total federation and other bodies</b>	
<b>Any Other Sources</b>	
<b>Total other sources</b>	
<b>Total of all other income</b>	

# Analysis of benefit expenditure shown at the General Fund

(see notes 21 to 23)

			£
Representation – Employment Related Issues		<b>brought forward</b>	
		Advisory Services	
Representation – Non Employment Related Issues		Other Cash Payments	
		Education and Training services	
Communications			
		Negotiated Discount Services	
Dispute Benefits			
		Other Benefits and Grants (specify)	
<b>carried forward</b>		<b>Total (should agree with figure in General Fund)</b>	







(See notes 21 and 23)

Fund 6		Fund Account	
Name:		£	£
<b>Income</b>	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	<b>Total other income as specified</b>		
	<b>Total Income</b>		
	Interfund Transfers IN		
<b>Expenditure</b>	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>		
	Interfund Transfers OUT		
	<b>Surplus (Deficit) for the year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at beginning of year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)</b>		
	<b>Number of members contributing at end of year</b>		

Fund 7		Fund Account	
Name:		£	£
<b>Income</b>	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	<b>Total other income as specified</b>		
	<b>Total Income</b>		
	Interfund Transfers IN		
<b>Expenditure</b>	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>		
	Interfund Transfers OUT		
	<b>Surplus (Deficit) for the year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at beginning of year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)</b>		
	<b>Number of members contributing at end of year</b>		

(See notes 21 and 23)

Fund 8		Fund Account	
Name:		£	£
<b>Income</b>	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	<b>Total other income as specified</b>		
	<b>Total Income</b>		
	Interfund Transfers IN		
<b>Expenditure</b>	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>		
	Interfund Transfers OUT		
	<b>Surplus (Deficit) for the year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at beginning of year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)</b>		
	<b>Number of members contributing at end of year</b>		

Fund 9		Fund Account	
Name:		£	£
<b>Income</b>	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	<b>Total other income as specified</b>		
	<b>Total Income</b>		
	Interfund Transfers IN		
<b>Expenditure</b>	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>		
	Interfund Transfers OUT		
	<b>Surplus (Deficit) for the year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at beginning of year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)</b>		
	<b>Number of members contributing at end of year</b>		

## Political fund account

(see notes 24 to 33)

£

£

<b>Political fund account 1</b>		<b>To be completed by trade unions which maintain their own political fund</b>	
<b>Income</b>	Members contributions and levies		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
Other income (specify)			
	Total other income as specified		
		Total income	
<b>Expenditure under section (82) of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 on purposes set out in section (72) (1) where consolidation of expenditures from the political funds exceeds £2,000 during the period</b>			
	<b>Expenditure A</b> (as at page i)		
	<b>Expenditure B</b> (as at page ii)		
	<b>Expenditure C</b> (as at page iii)		
	<b>Expenditure D</b> (as at page iv)		
	<b>Expenditure E</b> (as at page v)		
	<b>Expenditure F</b> (as at page vi)		
	<b>Non-political expenditure</b> (as at page vii)		
		Total expenditure	
		Surplus (deficit) for year	
		Amount of political fund at beginning of year	
		Amount of political fund at the end of year (as <u>Balance Sheet</u> )	
		Number of members at end of year contributing to the political fund	
		Number of members at end of the year not contributing to the political fund	
		Number of members at end of year who have completed an exemption notice and do not contribute to the political fund	
<b>Political fund account 2</b>		<b>To be completed by trade unions which act as components of a central trade union</b>	
<b>Income</b>	Contributions and levies collected from members on behalf of central political fund		
	Funds received back from central political fund		
Other income (specify)			
		Total other income as specified	
		Total income	
<b>Expenditure</b>	Expenditure under section 82 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 (specify)		
	Administration expenses in connection with political objects(specify)		
	Non-political expenditure		
		Total expenditure	
		Surplus (deficit) for year	
		Amount held on behalf of trade union political fund at beginning of year	
		Amount remitted to central political	
		Amount held on behalf of central political fund at end of year	
		Number of members at end of year contributing to the political fund	
		Number of members at end of the year not contributing to the political fund	
		Number of members at end of year who have completed an exemption notice and do not therefore contribute to the political fund	

























# Fixed assets account

(see notes 53 to 57)

	Land and Buildings		Furniture and Equipment £	Motor Vehicles £	Not used for union business £	Total £
	Freehold £	Leasehold £				
<b>Cost or Valuation</b>						
At start of year						
Additions						
Disposals						
Revaluation/Transfers						
At end of year						
<b>Accumulated Depreciation</b>						
At start of year						
Charges for year						
Disposals						
Revaluation/Transfers						
At end of year						
Net book value at end of year						
Net book value at end of previous year						



# Analysis of investments

(see notes 58 and 59)

<b>Quoted</b>	All Funds Except Political Funds £	Political Fund £
Equities (e.g. Shares)		
Government Securities (Gilts)		
Other quoted securities (to be specified)		
Total quoted (as Balance Sheet) Market Value of Quoted Investment		
<b>Unquoted</b>		
Equities		
Government Securities (Gilts)		
Mortgages		
Bank and Building Societies		
Other unquoted investments (to be specified)		
Total unquoted (as Balance Sheet) Market Value of Unquoted Investments		



# Summary sheet

(see notes 62 to 73)

	All funds except Political Funds	Political Funds £	Total Funds £
<b>Income</b>			
From Members	5,604		5,604
From Investments	49		49
Other Income (including increases by revaluation of assets)			
<b>Total Income</b>	5,653		5,653
<b>Expenditure</b> (including decreases by revaluation of assets)			
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	6,366		6,366
<b>Funds at beginning of year</b> (including reserves)	5,359		5,359
<b>Funds at end of year</b> (including reserves)	4,646		4,646
<b>Assets</b>			
Fixed Assets			
Investment Assets			
Other Assets			5,813
<b>Total Assets</b>			5,813
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>Total Liabilities</b>			1,167
<b>Net Assets (Total Assets less Total Liabilities)</b>			4,646

**Ballots & Industrial Action- If you have 6 or more entries for either of these, please complete the Excel Spreadsheet**

(see notes 74 to 80)

<p><b>Did the union hold any ballots in respect of industrial action during the return period?</b> <input style="width: 50px; height: 15px;" type="text"/></p>	
<p>If Yes How many ballots were held: <input style="width: 50px; height: 15px; text-align: center; border: 1px solid black;" type="text" value="NO"/></p>	
<p>For each ballot held please complete the information below:</p>	
<p><b>Ballot 1</b></p>	
<p>Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot</p>	<input style="width: 80%; height: 15px;" type="text"/>
<p><b>Number of votes cast in the ballot</b></p>	<input style="width: 80%; height: 15px;" type="text"/>
<p>Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question</p>	<input style="width: 80%; height: 15px;" type="text"/> <sup>1</sup>
<p>Number of individuals answering "No" to the question</p>	<input style="width: 80%; height: 15px;" type="text"/> <sup>2</sup>
<p>Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned</p>	<input style="width: 80%; height: 15px;" type="text"/> <sup>3</sup>
<p><b>1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"</b></p>	
<p>Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot</p>	<input style="width: 60%; height: 15px;" type="text"/>
<p>Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)?</p>	<input style="width: 60%; height: 15px;" type="text"/>
<p>If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot</p>	<input style="width: 60%; height: 15px;" type="text"/>
<p><b>Ballot 2</b></p>	
<p>Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot</p>	<input style="width: 80%; height: 15px;" type="text"/>
<p><b>Number of votes cast in the ballot</b></p>	<input style="width: 80%; height: 15px;" type="text"/>
<p>Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question</p>	<input style="width: 80%; height: 15px;" type="text"/> <sup>1</sup>
<p>Number of individuals answering "No" to the question</p>	<input style="width: 80%; height: 15px;" type="text"/> <sup>2</sup>
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<p>Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot</p>	<input style="width: 60%; height: 15px;" type="text"/>
<p>Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)?</p>	<input style="width: 60%; height: 15px;" type="text"/>
<p>If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot</p>	<input style="width: 60%; height: 15px;" type="text"/>
<p><b>Ballot 3</b></p>	
<p>Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot</p>	<input style="width: 80%; height: 15px;" type="text"/>
<p><b>Number of votes cast in the ballot</b></p>	<input style="width: 80%; height: 15px;" type="text"/>
<p>Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question</p>	<input style="width: 80%; height: 15px;" type="text"/> <sup>1</sup>
<p>Number of individuals answering "No" to the question</p>	<input style="width: 80%; height: 15px;" type="text"/> <sup>2</sup>
<p>Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned</p>	<input style="width: 80%; height: 15px;" type="text"/> <sup>3</sup>
<p><b>1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"</b></p>	
<p>Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot</p>	<input style="width: 60%; height: 15px;" type="text"/>
<p>Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)?</p>	<input style="width: 60%; height: 15px;" type="text"/>
<p>If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot</p>	<input style="width: 60%; height: 15px;" type="text"/>

**Ballots & Industrial Action: If you have 6 or more entries for either of these, please complete the Excel Spreadsheet**

**Ballot 4**

Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot

**Number of votes cast in the ballot**

Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question  1

Number of individuals answering "No" to the question  2

Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned  3

**1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"**

Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot

Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)?

If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot

**Ballot 5**

Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot

**Number of votes cast in the ballot**

Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question  1

Number of individuals answering "No" to the question  2

Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned  3

**1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"**

Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot

Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)?

If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot

**Ballot 6**

Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot

**Number of votes cast in the ballot**

Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question  1

Number of individuals answering "No" to the question  2

Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned  3

**1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"**

Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot

Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)?

If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot

**Ballots and Industrial Action: If you have 6 or more entries for either of these, please complete the Excel Spreadsheet**

(see note 81)

**\*Categories of Nature of Trade Dispute**

- A: terms and conditions of employment, or the physical conditions in which any workers require to work;
- B: engagement or non-engagement, or termination or suspension of employment or the duties of employment, of one or more workers;
- C: allocation of work or the duties of employment between workers or groups of workers;
- D: matters of discipline;
- E: a worker's membership or non-membership of a trade union;
- F: facilities for officials of trade unions;
- G: machinery for negotiation or consultation, and other procedures, relating to any of the above matters, including the recognition by employers or employers' associations of the right of a trade union to represent workers in such negotiation or consultation or in the carrying out of such procedures

**Did Union members take industrial action during the return period in response to any inducement on the part of the Union? YES/NO**

No

If **YES**, for each industrial action taken please complete the information below:

**Industrial Action 1**

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories\* below:

A  B  C  D  E  F  G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:  to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

**Industrial Action 2**

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories\* below:

A  B  C  D  E  F  G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:  to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

**Industrial Action 3**

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories\* below:

A  B  C  D  E  F  G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:  to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

**use a continuation page if necessary**

**Industrial Action 4**

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories\* below:

A  B  C  D  E  F  G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:  to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

**Industrial Action 5**

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories\* below:

A  B  C  D  E  F  G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:  to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

**Industrial Action 6**

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories\* below:

A  B  C  D  E  F  G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:  to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

**Industrial Action 7**

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories\* below:

A  B  C  D  E  F  G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:  to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

**Industrial Action 8**

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories\* below:

A  B  C  D  E  F  G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:  to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

**Ballots & Industrial Action- If you have 6 or more entries for either of these, please complete the Excel Spreadsheet**

## Notes to the accounts

(see notes 82 and 83)

**All notes to the accounts must be entered on or attached to this part of the return.**

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable UK accounting standards and the following account policies:

**Basis of preparation -**

The Financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 - The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 - Section 1A). The Financial Statements have been prepared under the historical cost basis.

**Going concern -**

The Committee have considered the membership information and forecast income and expenditure for the next 12 months and consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Staff Association's ability to continue as a going concern.

**Income -**

Income from subscriptions, lottery fees and levy income is recognised on an accruals basis. Building society interest is recognised on a receivable basis.

**Expenses -**

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. Any amounts of irrecoverable VAT are added to expenditure incurred.

**Financial Instruments -**

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at amortised cost. Financial assets held at amortised cost comprises cash at bank, together with prepayments. Cash at bank is defined as all cash held in instant access and term deposit building society accounts. Financial liabilities held at amortised cost comprises all sundry creditors.



## Accounting policies

(see notes 84 and 85)

## Signatures to the annual return

(see notes 86 & 87)

**Including the accounts and balance sheet contained in the return. Please copy and paste your electronic signature here**

Secretary's Signature:	Alex Beachall	Chairman's Signature:	Coco Mercer
			(or other official whose position should be stated)
Name:	Alexandra Beachall	Name:	Coco Mercer
Date:	07 August 2020	Date:	07 August 2020

## Checklist

(see notes 88 to 89)

(please tick as appropriate)

Has the return of change of officers been completed? (see Page 2 and Note 12)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Has the list of officers in post been completed? (see Page 2 and Note 12)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Has the return been signed? (see Pages 23 and 25 and Notes 86 and 95)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Has the auditor's report been completed? (see Pages 20 and 21 and Notes 2 and 77)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Is a rule book enclosed? (see Notes 8 and 88)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
A member statement is: (see Note 80)	Enclosed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	To follow	
Has the summary sheet been completed? (see Page 17 and Notes 7 and 62)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	To follow	
Has the membership audit certificate been completed? (see Page i to iii and Notes 97 and 103)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	

# Checklist for auditor's report

(see notes 90 and 96)

The checklist below is for guidance. A report is still required either set out overleaf or by way of an attached auditor's report that covers the 1992 Act requirements.

1. In the opinion of the auditors or auditor do the accounts they have audited and which are contained in this return give a true and fair view of the matters to which they related? (See section 36(1) and (2) of the 1992 Act and notes 92 and 93)

Please explain in your report overleaf or attached.

2. Are the auditors or auditor of the opinion that the union has complied with section 28 of the 1992 Act and has:

- a. kept proper accounting records with respect to its transactions and its assets and liabilities; and
- b. established and maintained a satisfactory system of control of its accounting records, its cash holding and all its receipts and remittances. (See section 36(4) of the 1992 Act set out in note 92)

Please explain in your report overleaf or attached

3. Your auditors or auditor must include in their report the following wording:

**In our opinion the financial statements:**

- **give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate to.**
- **have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the sections 28, 32 and 36 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (consolidation) Act 1992.**

## Auditor's report (continued)

YES on Page 24, 1) and 2)

**LEEK UNITED BUILDING SOCIETY  
STAFF ASSOCIATION**

**Independent auditors' report to the members of Leek United Building Society Staff Association**

**Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- proper accounting records have not been kept in accordance with the requirements of section 28; or
- the association has not maintained a satisfactory system of control over its transactions in accordance with the requirements of that section; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records.
- we have not obtained all the information and explanations necessary for the purpose of our audit.

**Reporting on other information**

The other information comprises all of the information in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The members of the Committee are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in this report, any form of assurance thereon.

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Winnington Avenue  
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20 May 2020

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Signature	Signature(s) of auditor or auditors:	Bennett Brooks & Co Ltd	
Name(s)	Name(s):	Bennett Brooks & Co Ltd	
Profession	Profession(s) or Calling(s):	Chartered Accountants	
Address	Address(es):	St George's Court Winnington Avenue Northwich CW8 4EE	
Date	Date:	20/05/2020	
Contact telephone	Contact name for enquiries and telephone number:	01538399231	

N.B. When notes to the account are referred to in the auditor's report a copy of those notes must accompany this return.

## Membership audit certificate

made in accordance with section 24ZD of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992

(See notes 97 to 103)

At the end of the reportign period proceding the one to which this audit relates was the total membership of the trade union greater than 10,000?

**No**

If "YES" please complete SECTION ONE below or provide the equivalent information on a separate document to be submitted with the completed AR21

If "NO" please complete SECTION TWO below or provide the equivalent information on a separate document to be submitted with the completed AR21

## Membership audit certificate

### Section one

*For a trade union with more than 10,000 members, required by section 24ZB of the 1992 Act to appoint an independent assurer*

- 1 In the opinion of the assurer appointed by the trade union was the union's system for compiling and maintaining its register of the names and addresses of its members satisfactory to secure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the entries in its register were accurate and up-to-date throughout the reporting period?

**Yes / No**

- 2 In the opinion of the assurer has he/she obtained the inforamation and explanations necessary for the performance of his/her functions?

**Yes / No**

If the answer to **either** questions 1 or 2 above is "NO" the assurer must:

- (a) set out below the assurer's reasons for stating that
- (b) provide a description of the information or explanation requested or required which has not been obtained
- (c) state whether the assurer required that information or those explanations from the union's officers, or officers of any of its branches or sections under section 24ZE of the 1992 Act
- (d) send a copy of this certificate to the Certification Officer as soon as is reasonably practicable after it is provided to the union.

## Membership audit certificate (continued)

Signature of assurer	
Name	
Address	
Date	
Contact name and telephone number	

## Membership audit certificate

### Section two

For a trade union with no **more than 10,000 members** at the end of the reporting period preceding the one to which this audit relates.

To the best of your knowledge and belief has the trade union during this reporting period complied with its duty to compile and maintain a register of the names and addresses of its members and secured, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the entries in the register are accurate and up-to-date?

**Yes**

If "No" Please explain below:

[Large greyed-out area for explanation]

Signature	Coco Mercer
Name	Coco Mercer
Office held	Chairman, Leek United Building Society Staff Association
Date	07/08/2020

**LEEK UNITED BUILDING SOCIETY  
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**STATEMENT TO MEMBERS**

**31 JANUARY 2020**

**LEEK UNITED BUILDING SOCIETY  
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**STATEMENT TO MEMBERS ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH THE UNION'S ANNUAL  
RETURN FOR THE YEAR TO 31 JANUARY 2020 AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 32A OF  
TRADE UNION AND LABOUR RELATIONS (CONSOLIDATION) ACT 1992**

**Income and expenditure**

The total income of the union for the year was £5,653. This amount included payments of £4,750 in respect of membership to the union. The union's total expenditure for the year was £6,366. The association does not maintain a political fund.

**Salary paid and other benefits provided to the chair and committee.**

The chair and committee were not paid a salary and received no benefits.

**Irregularity statement**

A member who is concerned that some irregularity may be occurring, or have occurred, in the conduct of the financial affairs of the union may take steps with a view to investigating further, obtaining clarification and , if necessary, securing regularisation of that conduct.

The member may raise any such concern with such one or more of the following as it seems appropriate to raise it with:

- The officials of the union,
- the trustees of the property of the union
- the auditor or auditors of the union
- the Certification Officer (who is an independent officer appointed by the Secretary of State)  
and
- the police.

Where a member believes that the financial affairs of the union have been or are being conducted in breach of the law or in breach of rules of the union and contemplates bringing civil proceedings against the union or responsible officials or trustees, he should consider obtaining independent legal advice.



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**Independent auditors' report to the members of Leek United Building Society Staff Association**

**Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Leek United Building Society Staff Association for the year ended 31 January 2020 which comprise the balance sheet and the income and expenditure account and notes to the financial statements including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the association's affairs as at 31 January 2020 and of its transactions for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

**Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs(UK)) and applicable law. 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 are independent of the association in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, 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

**Conclusions relating to going concern**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the officers' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the officers have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the association's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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**Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- proper accounting records have not been kept in accordance with the requirements of section 28; or
- the association has not maintained a satisfactory system of control over its transactions in accordance with the requirements of that section; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records.
- we have not obtained all the information and explanations necessary for the purpose of our audit.

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