

# Managing the Public Sector Balance Sheet in the UK

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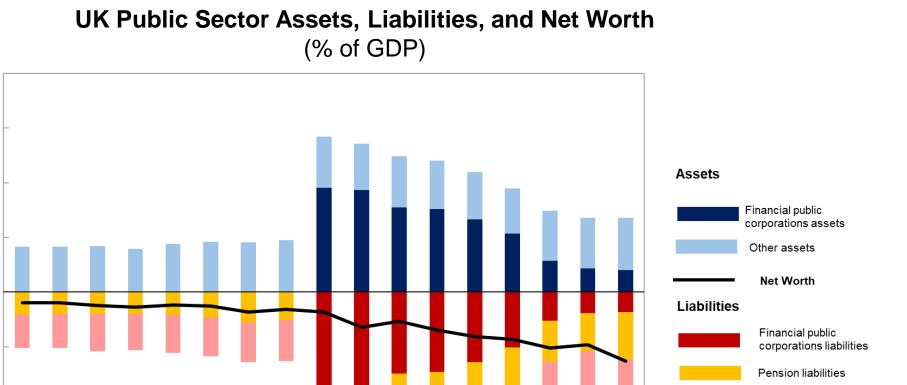
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### **Outline**

- 1. Evolution of the UK Public Sector Balance Sheet
- 2. Disposing of Financial Sector Assets
- 3. Managing the Bank of England Balance Sheet
- 4. Conducting a Balance Sheet Review
- 5. Getting Smart about Intellectual Property
- 6. Controlling Contingent Liabilities

## 1. Evolution of the UK Public Sector Balance Sheet





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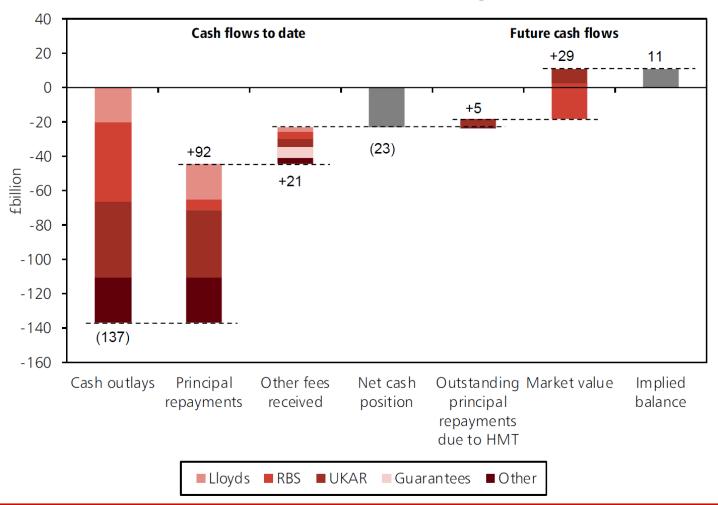
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Other liabilities

Source: IMF (2018)

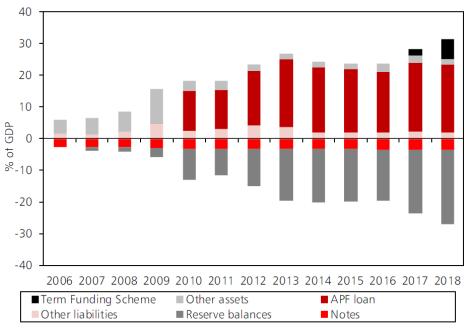
# 2. Returning financial assets to the private sector

### Cash flows from assets acquired during the financial crisis



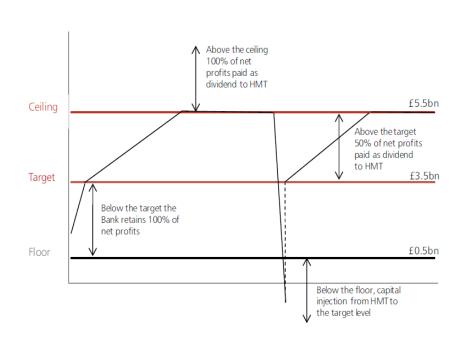
# 3. Managing the Bank of England's balance sheet

# Bank of England Balance Sheet (2006-18)



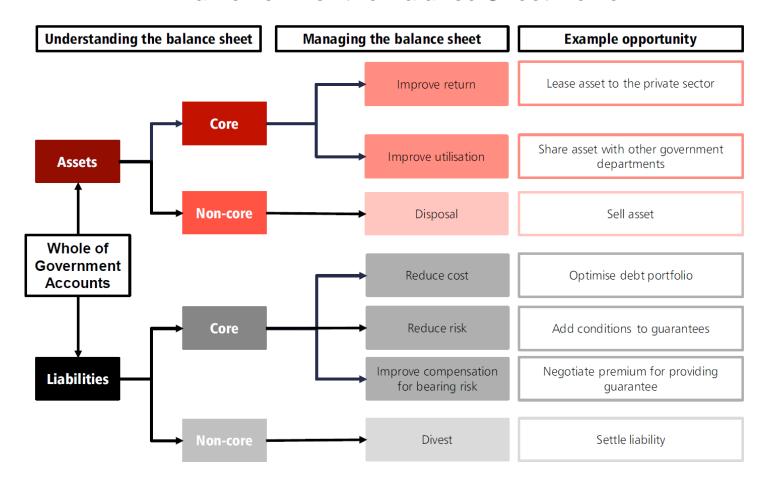
#### Source: Bank of England

# Bank of England Capital & Income Framework (2018)

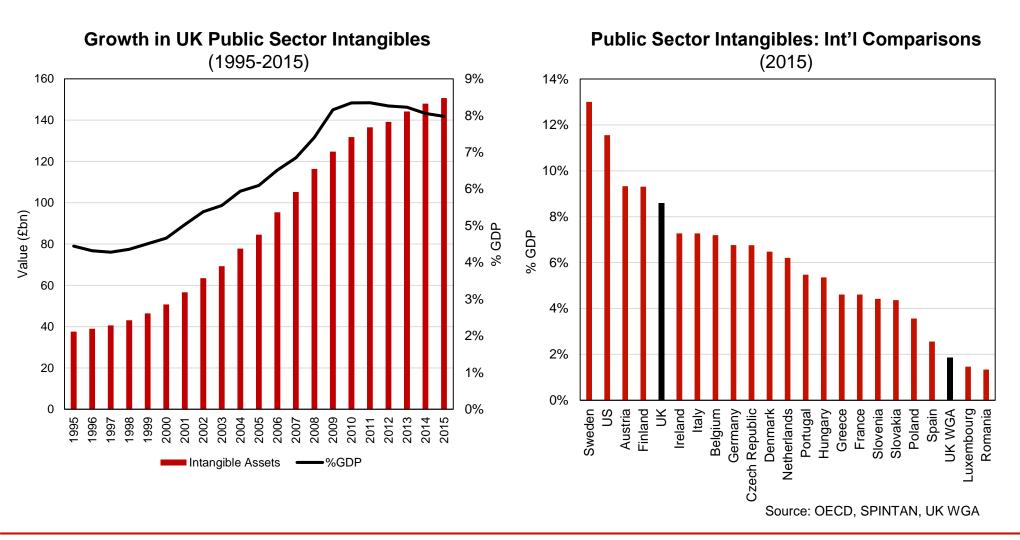


# 4. Conducting a Balance Sheet Review

#### Framework for the Balance Sheet Review

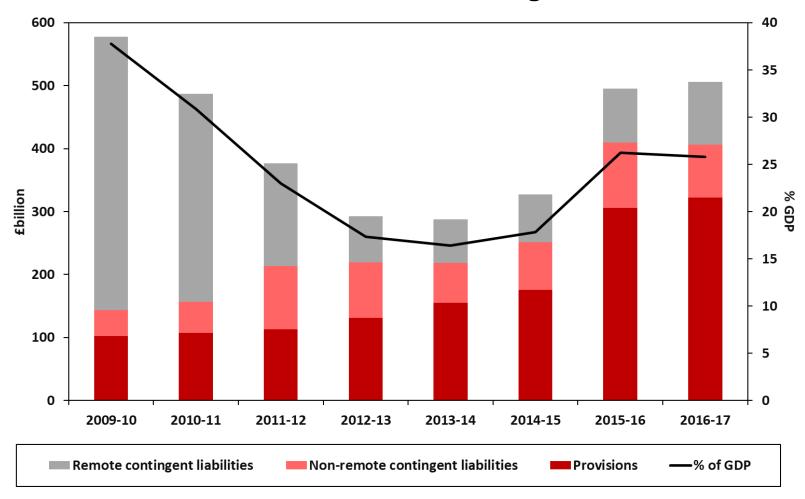


# 5. Getting smart about intellectual property



# 6. Controlling contingent liabilities

# **Profile of UK Government Contingent Liabilities**





# 6. Controlling contingent liabilities

### **Contingent Liabilities Approval Regime**

1.Rationale

a.Why govt intervention necessary?b.Why a contingent liability?c.What alternative explored?

2.Exposure

a.What is the size?b.What is the maturity?c.What is govt's exit strategy?

3.Risk & Return

a.What are triggers for crystallisation?b.What is likelihood of crystallisation?c.What is expected loss vs. return?

4.Mitigation & Management

a.Who is managing the risk?b.What risk mitigation tools are in place?c.Is the taxpayer adequately compensated?

5. Affordability

a.Can the dept's budget absorb the risk?b.What is the residual fiscal exposure?c.What is the impact on borrowing & debt?

### **Contingent Liabilities Profile**

