

## The United Kingdom

This annex refers to the rating action release of 7 February 2020

### Annex I: Summary of core variable scorecard (CVS) and qualitative scorecard (QS)<sup>1</sup>

Implied rating of core variable scorecard (CVS)		aa
Weight	Qualitative scorecard (QS)	
35%	Growth potential of the economy	Neutral
	Economic policy framework	Weak
	Macro-economic stability and sustainability	Weak
30%	Fiscal policy framework	Weak
	Debt sustainability	Neutral
	Market access and funding sources	Very strong
15%	Current account vulnerability	Weak
	External debt sustainability	Strong
	Vulnerability to short-term external shocks	Strong
10%	Perceived willingness to pay	Neutral
	Recent events and policy decisions	Very weak
	Geopolitical risk	Neutral
10%	Banking sector performance	Neutral
	Banking sector oversight and governance	Very strong
	Financial imbalances and financial fragility	Neutral
<b>QS adjustment (notches)</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>Additional considerations (notches)</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>Final rating</b>		<b>AA NEG</b>

### Annex II: Selected indicators

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019E	2020F
GDP per capita (GBP, '000s)	29.4	30.4	31.4	32.2	33.1	34.0
Real GDP, % change	2.4	1.9	1.9	1.3	1.3	1.3
CPI (AVG), % change	0.4	1.0	2.6	2.3	1.7	1.3
General government balance, % of GDP <sup>1</sup>	-4.2	-2.8	-2.7	-1.8	-1.9	≤-2.5
General government debt, % of GDP	86.9	86.8	86.2	85.9	85.2	~85
Current account balance, % of GDP	-4.9	-5.2	-3.5	-3.9	-4.7	-4.25
Gross external debt, % of GDP	286.8	306.4	308.9	307.0	-	-

<sup>1</sup>Refers to fiscal years. Source: Office for National Statistics, Bank of England, EC, Haver, Scope Ratings GmbH.

### Annex III: Economic development and default indicators

IMF Development Classification <sup>2</sup>	AE
5y CDS spread (bps) as of 7 February 2020	20

<sup>1</sup> The weighting and explanation of all rating factors are described in Scope's 'Public Finance Sovereign Ratings' methodology, available on [www.scooperatings.com](http://www.scooperatings.com)

<sup>2</sup> AE = advanced economy; EMDE = emerging market and developing economy