

Note 1 - Accounting principles

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SpareBank 1 SMN prepares and presents its quarterly accounts in compliance with the Stock Exchange Regulations, Stock Exchange Rules and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) approved by EU, including IAS 34, Interim Financial Reporting. The quarterly accounts do not include all the information required in a complete set of annual financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the annual accounts for 2019. The Group has in this quarterly report used the same accounting principles and calculation methods as in the latest annual report and accounts.

Revised distribution of profit for 2019

The Board of Directors of SpareBank 1 SMN has decided to change its distribution of profit for 2019 based on the economic outlook, reducing the payout ratio from 53.5% to 41.2%. New dividend is NOK 5.00 per equity certificate, down from NOK 6.50 in the annual accounts for 2019. The annual accounts for 2019 were not changed to reflect this. Comparable figures for 2019 has not been restated in the quarterly report, but the effect on the solvency of the changed allocation is shown in note 4