# **Weekly Economic Update**

25 November 2022

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### UK

- The FTSE 100 closed the week at 7487 up 1.37%. The 10 year UK gilt yield moved from 3.24% to 3.12%.
- The OECD has predicted the UK economy will fall by 0.4% GDP in 2023.
- Deputy Governor of the Bank of England Dave Ramsden suggested that the bank would consider cutting interest rates if growth and inflation were weaker than expected. However, for the moment, he deems it necessary to continue raising rates.
- Last week, five-year UK mortgage rates dipped below 6% for the first time since the "mini" budget. The average rate on a five-year fixed rate mortgage fell to 5.95 per cent on Tuesday, according to money facts.
- Legal and General chair Sir John Kingman, and chief executive Sir Nigel Wilson gave evidence to the House of Lords' industry and regulatory committee over the pension fund liquidity crisis that occurred two months ago. They identified Liz Truss's growth proposal as the most significant factor in causing the crisis.
- The Royal College of Nursing and UK's largest transport union RMT announced strikes last week as talks broke down with NSH and Network rail respectively.
- The UK Supreme Court confirmed that for a referendum on Scottish independence to be legally binding, it would need approval from Westminster first.

## **GLOBAL**

- In the US, initial jobless claims hit a 3 month high of 240,000, following an increase of 17,000 over the week.
- Minutes of the Federal Open Committees suggest a more dovish stance is on the horizon in the US, it seems that a substantial majority of policymakers believe a slowdown in interest rate rises is likely to be appropriate soon.
- Cryptocurrencies fell last week following the bankruptcy of the crypto exchange FTX. This has resulted in \$8 billion of missing customer deposits according to the financial times. Senator Cynthia Lummis is pushing for a bipartisan bill to regulate the crypto market.
- China faced widespread protests against its government's zero covid policy. Protests began in the locked-down western city of Urumqi after a fire killed 10 people. It was claimed that the covid restrictions hampered rescue efforts and prevented the residents from being able to escape the fire last Thursday evening.

| Equity Markets | Index Level<br>25 Nov 22 | Total Return (Sterling) |        |        |  |
|----------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------|--------|--|
|                |                          | MtD                     | YtD    | 1 Year |  |
| FTSE All Share | 4112                     | 6.4%                    | 1.1%   | 2.2%   |  |
| FTSE 100       | 7487                     | 5.9%                    | 5.1%   | 6.3%   |  |
| FTSE 250       | 19546                    | 9.4%                    | -14.6% | -13.7% |  |
| MSCI World     | 2704                     | 0.8%                    | -4.5%  | -5.0%  |  |
| MSCI World EM  | 941                      | 5.4%                    | -11.9% | -14.6% |  |

| Bond Markets               | Yield<br>25 Nov 22 | Index % Change (Sterling) |        |        |  |
|----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|--------|--------|--|
|                            |                    | MtD                       | YtD    | 1 Year |  |
| FTA All Stock Gilt Index   | 3.27               | 3.6%                      | -20.0% | -20.5% |  |
| FTA All Stock ILG index    | -0.04              | 5.3%                      | -28.8% | -30.8% |  |
| FTA Over 5 Year ILG index  | 0.01               | 6.2%                      | -32.7% | -34.8% |  |
| FTA Under 5 Year FIG Index | 3.25               | 0.6%                      | -4.1%  | -4.3%  |  |
| FTA Over 15 Year FIG Index | 3.29               | 6.4%                      | -33.4% | -34.3% |  |

| Interest Rates & Yields   | Yield<br>25 Nov 22 |      | Yield<br>31 Dec 21 | Yield<br>25 Nov 21 |
|---------------------------|--------------------|------|--------------------|--------------------|
| UK 10 Year Gilt Yield     | 3.12               | 3.52 | 0.97               | 0.97               |
| UK 15 Year Gilt Yield     | 3.46               | 3.86 | 1.15               | 1.13               |
| US 10 Year Treasury Yield | 3.68               | 4.05 | 1.51               | 1.63               |
| German 10 Year Yield      | 1.97               | 2.14 | -0.18              | -0.25              |
| Spanish 10 Year Yield     | 2.96               | 3.23 | 0.57               | 0.51               |
| Greek 10 Year Yield       | 4.14               | 4.60 | 1.32               | 1.33               |
| Japan 10 Year Yield       | 0.25               | 0.25 | 0.07               | 0.08               |

| Currencies Exchange Rate | 25 Nov 22 | 31 Oct 22 | 31 Dec 21 | 25 Nov 21 |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| GBP / USD                | 1.21      | 1.15      | 1.35      | 1.33      |
| GBP / EURO               | 1.16      | 1.16      | 1.19      | 1.19      |
| GBP / YEN                | 168.30    | 170.44    | 155.71    | 153.71    |

| Commodities  | Price Level<br>25 Nov 22 |          |          |          |
|--------------|--------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Oil - WTI \$ | 76.28                    | 86.53    | 75.21    | 78.39    |
| Gold \$      | 1,754.93                 | 1,633.56 | 1,829.20 | 1,788.85 |
| Wheat \$     | 775.50                   | 882.25   | 770.75   | 836.75   |

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| Date       | Region | Event                                | Survey | Actual | Prior  |
|------------|--------|--------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| 01/12/2022 | UK     | S&P Global/CIPS UK Manufacturing PMI | 46.2   |        | 4.2    |
| 01/12/2022 | UK     | Nationwide House PX MoM              | -0.40% |        | -0.90% |
| 30/11/2022 | GE     | Unemployment Change (000's)          | 13.5K  | 17K    | 8K     |
| 30/11/2022 | FR     | GDP QoQ                              | 0.20%  | 0.20%  | 0.20%  |
| 30/11/2022 | FR     | CPI YoY                              | 6.10%  | 6.20%  | 6.10%  |
| 01/12/2022 | FR     | S&P Global France Manufacturing PMI  | 49.1   |        | 49.1   |
| 02/12/2022 | FR     | Industrial Production MoM            |        |        | -0.80% |
| 02/12/2022 | FR     | Industrial Production YoY            |        |        | 1.80%  |
| 30/11/2022 | IT     | CPI EU Harmonized YoY                | 12.10% | 12.50% | 12.60% |
| 02/12/2022 | SP     | Unemployment Change                  |        |        | -27K   |
| 30/11/2022 | СН     | Manufacturing PMI                    | 49     | 48     | 49.2   |
| 30/11/2022 | US     | MBA Mortgage Applications            |        | -0.80% | 2.20%  |
| 30/11/2022 | US     | GDP Annualized QoQ                   | 2.8%   | 2.9%   | 2.6%   |
| 01/12/2022 | US     | Initial Jobless Claims               | 235K   |        | 240K   |
| 01/12/2022 | US     | ISM Manufacturing                    | 49.7   |        | 50.2   |
| 02/12/2022 | US     | Change in Nonfarm Payrolls           | 200k   |        | 261k   |
| 02/12/2022 | US     | Unemployment Rate                    | 3.70%  |        | 3.70%  |

Source: Bloomberg

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