# **Gosport Ferry Limited**

Directors' report, strategic report and financial statements
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# **Company information**

Directors

JL Foster

- Managing Director

KDW Edwards - General Manager

CM Waters

- Finance Director

**Company Secretary** 

CM Waters

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# Directors' report

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2015.

#### **Activities**

The principal activity of the company during the year was the operation of the passenger ferry service between Gosport and Portsmouth and pleasure cruises in the Solent area.

#### **Donations**

The company made charitable donations amounting to £2,000 (2014: £2,000).

#### Directors

The directors who served the company during the year and to the date of this report are as follows:

MS Killingley

- Chairman (resigned 13 April 2015)

JL Foster

- Managing Director

KDW Edwards CM Waters - General Manager - Finance Director

# Directors' indemnity

Certain directors benefited from qualifying third party indemnity provisions in place during the financial year and at the date of this report.

#### Disclosure of information to auditor

The directors who held office at the date of approval of this directors' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware; and each director has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a director to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

#### Auditor

Pursuant to Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditor will be deemed to be reappointed and KPMG LLP will therefore continue in office.

On behalf of the board

JL ruster

Director Dated: 23 September 2015

# Strategic report

#### **Business review**

Falkland Islands Holdings plc manages its operations on a divisional basis. For this reason, the company's directors believe that further key performance indicators for the company are not necessary for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business. The performance of The Portsmouth Harbour Ferry Company Group is discussed in the ultimate parent company's Strategic report, which does not form part of this report.

#### Results and dividends

The trading results for the year and the company's financial position at the end of the year are shown in the attached financial statements.

An interim dividend of £253,000 (2014: £257,000) was paid in the year. The directors do not recommend the payment of a final dividend (2014: £nil).

On behalf of the board

JL Foster

Director

Dated: 23 September 2015

# Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the directors' report, the strategic report and the financial statements

The directors are responsible for preparing the directors' Report, the strategic report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.



# Report of the independent auditor to the members of Gosport Ferry Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Gosport Ferry Limited for the year ended 31 March 2015 set out on pages 6 to 18. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and UK Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 4, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit, and express an opinion on, the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

#### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the Financial Reporting Council's website at <a href="https://www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate">www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate</a>.

#### Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 March 2015 and of its profit for the year then ended:
- have been properly prepared in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' and Strategic Reports for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

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

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- · certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Wayne Cox (Senior Statutory Auditor)

Wayne Cox

for and on behalf of KPMG LLP, Statutory Auditor Chartered Accountants St Nicholas House Park Row Nottingham NG1 6FQ

**25** September 2015

# Profit and loss account

for the year ended 31 March 2015			
	Note	2015 £000	2014 £000
Turnover	2	4,275	4,093
Cost of sales		(1,850)	(1,818)
Gross profit		2,425	2,275
Other operating charges	3	(1,563)	(1,457)
Operating profit		862	818
Other interest receivable Interest payable	<i>4</i> 5	3 (232)	(233)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	6	633	588
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	9	(137)	(117)
Profit for the financial year	19	496	471

In both the current year and preceding period, the company made no material acquisitions and had no discontinued operations.

There were no recognised gains or losses in either the current year or preceding period other than those disclosed in the profit and loss account.

# Balance sheet

as at 31 March 2015		_			
	Note	£000	015 £000	£000	2014 £000
Fixed assets	11		4.700		4,894
Tangible assets	11		4,799		4,094
Current assets					
Stocks	12	40		35	
Debtors	13	6,446		5,361	
Cash at bank and in hand		96		435	
		6,582		5,831	
Liabilities: amounts falling due within one year	14	(4,140)		(3,715)	
Net current assets			2,442		2,116
Total assets less current liabilities			7,241		7,010
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Liabilities: amounts falling due after more than one year	15		(5,018)		(5,035)
Net assets			2,223		1,975
The assets					
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	18		60		60
Profit and loss account	19	•	2,163		1,915
Shareholder's funds	20		2,223		1,975

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on 23 September 2015 and were signed on its behalf by:

JI Foster Director

Company registered number: 02254382

#### **Notes**

(forming part of the financial statements)

#### 1 Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements.

#### Basis of preparation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and under the historical cost accounting rules.

Under FRS 1 the company is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement on the grounds that a parent undertaking includes the company in its own published consolidated financial statements.

As the Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Falkland Island Holdings plc, the company has taken advantage of the exemption contained in FRS 8 and has therefore not disclosed transactions or balances with wholly owned subsidiaries which form part of the group. The consolidated financial statements of Falkland Island Holdings plc, within which this company is included, can be obtained from the address given in note 25.

#### Going Concern

The directors believe that the company will be able to maintain current trading volume without significant increase in the cost of so doing in the coming year. As a consequence and in conjunction with the company's existing financial resources the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and therefore continue to prepare annual financial statements on the going concern basis of accounts preparation.

#### **Depreciation**

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost or valuation less the estimated residual value of fixed assets, by equal instalments over their estimated useful economic lives as follows:

Plant and machinery Periods between 5 - 10 years
Office equipment Periods between 3 - 10 years

Long leasehold property Over the shorter of its useful economic life or period of lease

No depreciation is provided on assets under construction.

### Taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the profit for the financial year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes.

Deferred tax is recognised, without discounting, in respect of all timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes which have arisen but not reversed by the balance sheet date, except as otherwise required by FRS 19.

#### Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

#### Turnover

Turnover represents the amounts charged to customers in the ordinary course of business for goods and services provided, including to fellow subsidiaries of Falkland Islands Holdings plc, exclusive of value added tax.

#### Leases

Operating lease rentals are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

#### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

### Finance lease payments

Minimum lease payments are apportioned between the finance charge and the reduction of the outstanding liability. The finance charge is allocated to each period during the lease term so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability.

#### Classification of financial instruments issued by the company

Following the adoption of FRS 25, financial instruments issued by the company are treated as equity (i.e. forming part of shareholder's funds) only to the extent that they meet the following two conditions:

- a) they include no contractual obligations upon the company to deliver cash or other financial assets or to exchange financial assets or financial liabilities with another party under conditions that are potentially unfavourable to the company; and
- b) where the instrument will or may be settled in the company's own equity instruments, it is either a nonderivative that includes no obligation to deliver a variable number of the company's own equity instruments or is a derivative that will be settled by the company's exchanging a fixed amount of cash or other financial assets for a fixed number of its own equity instruments.

To the extent that this definition is not met, the proceeds of issue are classified as a financial liability. Where the instrument so classified takes the legal form of the company's own shares, the amounts presented in these financial statements for called up share capital and share premium account exclude amounts in relation to those shares.

Finance payments associated with financial liabilities are dealt with as part of interest payable and similar charges. Finance payments associated with financial instruments that are classified as part of shareholder's funds (see dividends policy), are dealt with as appropriations in the reconciliation of movements in shareholder's funds.

#### Dividends on shares presented within shareholder's funds

Dividends unpaid at the balance sheet date are only recognised as a liability at that date to the extent that they are appropriately authorised and are no longer at the discretion of the company. Unpaid dividends that do not meet these criteria are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

#### Post retirement benefits

The company contributes to a defined contribution pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company. The amounts charged to the profit and loss account represent the contributions payable to the scheme in respect of the accounting period.

#### Share based payments

The share option programme allows employees to acquire shares of the parent company, Falkland Islands Holdings plc. The grant date fair value of share-based payment awards granted after 7 November 2002 is recognised as an employee expense with a corresponding increase in equity over the period that the employees become unconditionally entitled to the award. The fair value of the options granted is measured using an option pricing model, taking into account the terms and conditions upon which the options were granted. The amount recognised as an expense is adjusted to reflect the actual number of awards for which the related service and non-market vesting conditions are expected to be met, such that the amount ultimately recognised as an expense is based on the number of awards that do meet the related service and no-market performance conditions at the vesting date. For share-based payment awards with non-vesting conditions, the grant date fair value of the share-based payment is measured to reflect such conditions and there is no true-up for differences between expected and actual incomes.

2 Analysis of turnover	•	
	2015 £000	2014 £000
By geographical market		
United Kingdom	4,275	4,093
3 Other operating charges		
	2015 £000	2014 £000
Administrative expenses	1,563	1,457
4 Other interest receivable	<del></del>	
·	2015 £000	2014 £000
Other interest receivable	3	3
5 Interest payable		
	2015	2014
	£000	£000
Finance charges payable in respect of finance leases	232	233
6 Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		
	2015	2014
	£000	£000
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging:	22	1.5
Depreciation - owned assets - leased assets	23 126	15 125
Hire of plant and machinery- operating leases	2	2
Auditor remuneration:		
- audit of these financial statements	29	29

The 2015 and 2014 amounts relate solely to amounts paid to KPMG LLP.

# 7 Staff numbers and costs

	Number of	femployees
The average number of persons employed by the company (including directors)	2015	2014
during the		
year, analysed by category, was as follows:		
Ferry operatives	27	26
Maintenance	5	5
Management and administrative	7	7
	39	38
	3)	30
The control of the co	£000	£000
The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:	1 200	1 171
Wages and salaries Social security costs	1,299 118	1,171 111
Other pension costs	111	99
Other pension costs	111	,,,
	1,528	1,381
8 Directors' remuneration		
o Directors remuneration		
	2015	2014
	£000	£000
Emoluments for management services	168	149
Contributions to pension schemes	18	17
	186	166

#### 9 Taxation

Analysis of charge in the financial year	•
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	2015 £000	2014 £000
UK corporation tax at 21% (2014: 23%) Adjustments in respect of prior financial years	101 23	72 -
Total current tax Deferred taxation (note 17)	124 13	72 45
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	137	117

Factors affecting the tax charge for the current financial year

The current tax charge for the financial year is lower (2014: lower) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 21% (2014: 23%). The differences are explained below:

	2015 £000	2014 £000
Current tax reconciliation:		
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	633	588
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Current tax at 21% (2014: 23%)	133	135
Effects of:		
Capital allowances in excess of depreciation	(33)	(71)
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	1	8
Adjustments to tax charge in respect of prior financial years	23	-
		<u> </u>
Total current tax charge	124	72

### Factors that may affect future tax charges

Reductions in the UK corporation tax rate from 23% to 21% (effective from 1 April 2014) and 20% (effective from 1 April 2015) were substantively enacted on 2 July 2013. In the Budget on 8 July 2015, the Chancellor announced additional planned reductions to 18% by 2020. This will reduce the company's future current tax charge accordingly. The deferred tax liability at 31 March 2015 has been calculated based on the rate of 20% substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

#### 10 Dividends

	2015 £000	2014 £000
Equity dividends: Dividends paid in the financial year	253	257

#### 11 Tangible assets

	Long leasehold property £000	Plant and machinery £000	Office equipment £000	Assets under construction £000	Total £000
Cost or valuation:					
At beginning of year	5,083	254	111	100	5,548
Transfers	-	21	-	(21)	-
Additions	5	47	2	-	54
At end of year	5,088	322	113	79	5,602
Depreciation:					
At beginning of year	345	220	89	-	654
Charge for the year	126	19	4	-	149
At end of year	471	239	93	<del></del>	803
Net book value:				<del></del>	<del> </del>
At 31 March 2015	4,617	83	20	79	4,799
At 31 March 2014	4,738	34	22	100	4,894

Assets held under finance leases were originally acquired at a cost of £4,957,000 (2014: £4,957,000) and have a net book value of £4,584,000 (2014: £4,683,000).

12 Stocks		
	2015	2014
	£000	£000
Raw materials and consumables	40	35
		<del></del> .
13 Debtors	,	
	2015	2014
•	£000	£000
Trade debtors	86	22
Amounts owed by group undertakings	6,220	5,175
Other debtors	1	39
Prepayments and accrued income	139	125
	6,446	5,361

# 14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

14 Creditors: amounts failing due within one year		
	2015	2014
	£000	£000
Trade creditors	285	294
Amounts owed to group undertakings	3,235	2,975
Corporation tax	78	25
Finance lease creditor owed within one year (note 16)	30	28
Other creditors	31	35
Accruals and deferred income	481	358
	4,140	3,715
15 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		
	2015	2014
·	£000	£000
Finance lease creditor owed within more than one year (note 16)	4,828	4,858
Deferred tax (note 17)	190	177
	5,018	5,035
Obligations under hire purchase contracts and leases		
1) Maturity of hire purchase contracts		
	2015	2014
	£000	£000
The maturity of obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts is as follows:		
Within one year	30	28
In the second to fifth years	134	128
Over five years	4,694	4,730
	4,858	4,886
2) Operating lease commitments	2015	2014
•	2015 £000	2014 £000
Operating leases which expire:	#AAA	2000
Within one year	9	9
In the second to fifth years inclusive	1	5

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# Notes (continued)

#### 17 Deferred taxation

#### Deferred taxation

The movement	in the	deferred	taxation	liability	during the year wa	ıs:
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Excess of capital allowances over depreciation on fixed assets

The movement in the deferred taxation habitity during the year was.	2015 £000	2014 £000
Balance brought forward Profit and loss account movement arising during the year (note 9)	177 13	132 45
Balance carried forward	190	177
The balance of the deferred taxation account consists of the tax effect of timing differences	in respect of:	
	2015 £000	2014 £000

A deferred tax asset of £1,500 (2014: £3,600) relating to share based payments has not been recognised on the basis that the timing and amount of the future deduction cannot be assessed with reasonable certainty.

### 18 Called up share capital

	2015 £000	2014 £000
Allotted, called up and fully paid: 60,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	60	60

### 19 Reserves

	loss account £000
At beginning of year	1,915
Profit for the financial year	496
Dividends on shares classified in shareholder's funds	(253)
Share based payments	5
At end of year	2,163

#### 20 Reconciliation of movements in shareholder's funds

	2015 £000	2014 £000
Profit for the financial year	496	471
Dividends on shares classified in shareholder's funds	(253)	(257)
Share based payments	5	14
Net movement in shareholder's funds	248	228
Opening shareholder's funds	1,975	1,747
Closing shareholder's funds	2,223	1,975

#### 21 Post Balance sheet event

On 30 June 2015, Portsmouth Harbour Ferry Company Limited drew down a £500,000 loan to be repaid over five years. This loan has been secured against the net assets of Falkland Islands Holdings plc and the net assets of all its UK subsidiaries, including Gosport Ferry Limited.

#### 22 Commitments

As at 31 March 2015 the company had no capital commitments (At 31 March 2014 £837,000 was due to the Boat Yard for the new vessel).

### 23 Pension scheme

The company contributes to a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension cost charge for the financial year represents contributions payable by the company to the scheme and amounted to £111,000 (2014: £91,000). There were £10,000 of outstanding contributions at the end of the financial year.

### 24 Employee share schemes

#### Share based payments

Share options in the ultimate parent undertaking, Falkland Islands Holdings plc, have been granted to certain employees for their services to the company.

Grant date/ Employees entitled/ nature of scheme	Number of instruments	Vesting conditions	Contractual life of options
8 April 2009  Management incentive scheme 1 participant	7,500	Subject to earnings growth conditions	10 years
9 December 2009  Management incentive scheme 5 participants	5,000	Subject to earnings growth conditions	10 years
21 December 2010  Management incentive scheme 7 participants	17,500	Subject to earnings growth conditions	10 years
27 June 2011  Management incentive scheme 1 participant	10,017	Subject to earnings growth conditions	10 years
16 December 2011  Management incentive scheme 8 participants	25,327	Subject to remaining in employment	10 years

The number and weighted average exercise prices of share options in issue are as follows:

	2015 Weighted average exercise price	2015 Number of options	2014 Weighted average exercise price	2014 Number of options
Outstanding at the beginning of the year Lapsed during the year	£2.954	65,344 -	£3.016 £3.368	76,844 (11,500)
Outstanding at the end of the year	£2.954	65,344	£2.954	65,344
Exercisable at the end of the year	£2.954	65,344	£3.167	30,000

The options outstanding at the year end have an exercise price in the range of £2.075 to £3.90 and a weighted average contractual life of six years (2014: seven years).

The fair values of the options are estimated at the date of grant using appropriate option pricing models and are charged to the profit and loss account over the expected life of the options.

The expected volatility is based on the historic daily volatility of the share price of Falkland Islands Holdings plc up to the date of grant over a period commensurate with the expected life of the options.

Share options are granted under a service condition and, for grants to the management incentive scheme, a non-market performance condition. Such conditions are not taken into account in the grant date fair value measurement of the services received. There are no market conditions associated with the share option grants.

#### 24. Employee share schemes (continued)

The total expenses recognised for the year arising from share based payments are as follows:

	2015 £000	2014 £000
Equity settled share based payments	5	14

#### 25 Related party disclosures

The directors consider that the parent undertaking of this company is The Portsmouth Harbour Ferry Company Limited, and that the ultimate parent company is Falkland Islands Holdings plc. Both companies are incorporated in Great Britain.

A copy of the financial statements of Falkland Islands Holdings plc, in which the results of Gosport Ferry Limited are consolidated, can be obtained from Falkland Islands Holdings plc, Kenburgh Court, 133-137 South Street, Bishop's Stortford, Hertfordshire, CM23 3HX.