# AHL HOLDINGS (WAKEFIELD) LIMITED ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019



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#### **COMPANY INFORMATION**

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#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

The Directors present their annual report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019.

#### **Principal activities**

The Company principally operates as a holding company and was formed to hold the equity investment in Amey Highways Lighting (Wakefield) Limited. Amey Highways Lighting (Wakefield) Limited is a company which is principally engaged in the performance of a PFI contract with The City of Wakefield Metropolitan District Council for the design, installation, refurbishment and maintenance of certain street lighting. Financial close was reached on 23 December 2003. The concession period is 25 years finishing in 2028. The completion certificate for the construction works was received on 17 December 2008, and £2.4m of subordinated debt was injected into the project on this date.

There have not been any significant changes in the Group's principal activities in the year under review.

#### Directors

The Directors who held office during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were as follows:

T Cunningham (Appointed 30 April 2019)
D Vermeer (Appointed 30 April 2019)
C Dix (Resigned 30 April 2019)
A Ghafoor (Resigned 13 March 2020)

K Pearman

N Anand (Resigned 5 November 2019)
C Vela Lazaga (Resigned 30 April 2019)
A Joshi (Appointed 5 November 2019)
K Rahuf (Appointed 18 March 2020)
J Connelly (Appointed 23 June 2020)

#### Going concern and Covid-19

The Directors assessment of going concern and the impact of Covid-19 can be found in the accounting policies note in the financial statements.

The Directors have considered the potential impact to the business from the effects of the current pandemic (Covid-19) and have put in place plans to mitigate the currently known, and potential risks to business continuity. The unitary charge income received from the local authority is highly predicable and the content of the Cabinet Office Policy Note PPN 02/20 indicates that public bodies will continue to pay their suppliers, the Directors do not believe that there is any material risk to income or cashflows. On this basis, the Directors anticipate that the Group will continue to be able to meet its business obligations as they fall due over the coming twelve months. The Directors therefore consider it appropriate to continue to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis.

#### Results and dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 7.

#### Qualifying third party indemnity provisions

The Group has made qualifying third party indemnity provisions for the benefit of its Directors during the year. These provisions remain in force at the reporting date.

### **DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)**

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

#### Financial risk management objectives and policies

#### Liquidity risk

The Group manages its cash and borrowing requirements in order to maximise interest income and minimise interest expense, whilst ensuring the Group has sufficient liquid resources to meet the operating needs of the business. At the start of the PFI contract, the Group negotiated debt facilities with an external party to ensure that the Group has sufficient funds over the life of the PFI concession.

#### Interest rate risk

The Group's borrowings expose it to cash flow risk primarily due to the financial risks of changes in interest rates. The Group uses interest rate swaps to manage the risk and reduce its exposure to changes in interest rates.

#### Credit risk

The Group's principal financial assets are cash, financial assets and trade and other receivables. The Group's credit risk is primarily attributable to its trade receivables which are with one counterparty, although in the opinion of the board of directors this risk is limited as the receivables are with a local government authority.

#### **Future developments**

The Directors are not aware, at the date of this report, of any major changes in the Group's activities in the next year.

#### **Auditor**

In accordance with the Company's articles, a resolution proposing that BDO LLP be reappointed as auditor of the Group will be put at a General Meeting.

#### Statement of disclosure to auditor

Each of the Directors in office at the date of approval of this annual report confirms that:

- so far as the Director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Group's auditor is unaware, and
- the Director has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Group's auditor is aware of that information.

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of section 418 of the Companies Act 2006.

The Directors' report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

On behalf of the board

T Cunningham **Director** 25 June 2020

# DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

The Directors are responsible for preparing the annual 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 the Directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland". 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 Group and Company, and of the profit or loss of the Group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- · select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- · make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Group and Company will continue in business.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Group's and Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Group and Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Group and Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

#### TO THE MEMBERS OF AHL HOLDINGS (WAKEFIELD) LIMITED

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of AHL Holdings (Wakefield) Limited (the 'parent company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 31 December 2019 which comprise the group statement of comprehensive income, the group balance sheet, the company balance sheet, the group statement of changes in equity, the group statement of cash flows and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and the parent company's affairs as at 31 December 2019 and of the group's profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
   and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the group in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the Directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the Group or the Parent company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

#### Other information

The Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Directors' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED) TO THE MEMBERS OF AHL HOLDINGS (WAKEFIELD) LIMITED

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

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the group and parent company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report.

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 by the group and the parent company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the group and the parent company 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; or
- the directors were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemption in preparing the directors' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

#### Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement set out on page 3 the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the group's and the parent company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the group or the parent company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the FRC's website at: <a href="http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities">http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities</a>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED) TO THE MEMBERS OF AHL HOLDINGS (WAKEFIELD) LIMITED

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the group'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 group and the parent 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 group and the parent company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

T3DO LLP

Stuart Barnsdall (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of BDO LLP, Statutory Auditor

London, United Kingdom

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26 June 2020

BDO LLP is a limited liability partnership registered in England and Wales (with registered number OC305127).

# GROUP STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

	Notes	2019 £'000	2018 £'000
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Turnover	3	3,553	3,123
Cost of sales		(3,041)	(2,611)
Gross profit		512	512
Interest receivable and similar income	7	807	891
Interest payable and similar expenses	8	(805)	(914)
Profit before taxation		514	489
Tax on profit	9	(98)	(93)
Profit for the financial year		416	396
Other comprehensive income			
Cash flow hedges gain arising in the year	13	226	604
Tax relating to other comprehensive income	18	(38)	(103)
Total comprehensive income for the year		604	897
		181.000	

The statement of comprehensive income has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

# GROUP BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

	Notes	201 £'000	9 £'000	2018 £'000	£'000
	Notes	£ 000	2 000	2 000	2,000
Current assets					
Debtors falling due after more than one					
year	14	11,057		12,002	
Debtors falling due within one year	14	1,402		1,977	
Cash at bank and in hand		806		528	
		13,265		14,507	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	(2,442)		(2,449)	
Net current assets			10,823		12,058
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	16		(11,279)		(12,694)
Net liabilities			(456)		(636)
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Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	19		25		25
Hedging reserve	19		(1,455)		(1,643)
Profit and loss reserves	19		974		982
Total shareholders' funds			(456)		(636)

These financial statements have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 25 June 2020 and are signed on its behalf by:

T Cunningham Director

# COMPANY BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

	Notes	2019 £'000	£'000	2018 £'000	£'000
Fixed assets	Notes	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000
Investments	11		25 		25
Current assets					
Debtors falling due after more than one					
year	14	842		969	
Debtors falling due within one year	14	158		182	
		1,000		1,151	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	(158)		(182)	
Net current assets			842		969
Total assets less current liabilities			867		994
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	16		(842)		(969)
Net assets			25 ===		
Capital and reserves	•				
Called up share capital	19		25		25
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Total shareholders' funds			25 ——		25 ———

As permitted by s408 Companies Act 2006, the Company has not presented its own profit and loss account and related notes. The Company's profit for the year was £423,848 (2018 - £285,399 profit).

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 25 June 2020 and are signed on its behalf by:

T Cunningham **Director** 

Company Registration No. 4416057

# GROUP STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

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•		Share capital	Hedging reserve	Profit and loss reserves	Total
	Notes	£'000	£'000	£,000	£'000
Balance at 1 January 2018		25	(2,152)	869	(1,248)
Year ended 31 December 2018:					
Profit for the year		-	-	396	396
Other comprehensive income:					
Cash flow hedges gains		-	604	-	604
Tax relating to other comprehensive income		-	(103)	-	(103)
Total comprehensive income for the year			501	396	897
Dividends	10	-	-	(285)	(285)
Balance at 31 December 2018		25	(1,643)	982	(636)
Year ended 31 December 2019:					
Profit for the year		-		416	416
Other comprehensive income:					
Cash flow hedges gains		-	226	-	226
Tax relating to other comprehensive income		-	(38)	-	(38)
Total comprehensive income for the year			188	416	604
Dividends	10	-	-	(424)	(424)
Balance at 31 December 2019		 25	(1,455)	974	(456)
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# COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

	Notes	Called up share capital £'000	Profit and loss reserves £'000	Total £'000
Balance at 1 January 2018		25	-	25
Year ended 31 December 2018: Profit and total comprehensive income for the year Dividends	10	<u>-</u>	285 (285)	285 (285)
Balance at 31 December 2018		25	-	25
Year ended 31 December 2019: Profit and total comprehensive income for the year Dividends	10	-	424 (424)	424 (424)
Balance at 31 December 2019		25 ===	<u>.</u>	25 ——

# GROUP STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

		2019		Rest 2018	tated
	Note	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Cash flows from operating activities					
Cash generated from operations Income taxes paid	22		1,688 (130)		2,102 (89)
Net cash inflow from operating activitie	es		1,558		2,013
Investing activities			•		
Movement in other financial activities		445		129	
Interest received		807		892	
Net cash generated from investing				<del></del>	
activities			1,252		1,021
Financing activities					
Interest paid		(800)		(923)	
Repayment of bank loans	•	(1,309)		(1,687)	
Dividends paid to equity shareholders		(424)		(285)	
Net cash used in financing activities		<del></del>	(2,533)		(2,895)
Net increase in cash and cash equivale	nts		277		139
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning o	f year		528		389
			906		
Cash and cash equivalents at end of ye	ear		806		528

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

#### 1 Accounting policies

#### **Company information**

AHL Holdings (Wakefield) Limited is a private company limited by shares, domiciled and incorporated in the United Kingdom and registered in England and Wales. The registered office is 8 White Oak Square, London Road, Swanley, Kent, BR8 7AG.

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £'000.

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost convention, modified to include certain financial instruments at fair value, and in accordance with FRS 102. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

The Company meets the definition of a qualifying entity under FRS 102 and has therefore taken advantage of the disclosure exemptions available to it in respect of its parent financial statements. The Company is consolidated in these financial statements. Exemptions have been taken in these parent c ompany financial statements in relation to presentation of a company statement of cashflows.

#### 1.2 Basis of consolidation

The Group financial statements consolidate the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiary undertaking drawn up to 31 December each year. The subsidiary has a year ended of 31 December 2019.

#### 1.3 Going concern

The Company exists to hold investments in its subsidiary that provides services under certain private finance agreements. The subsidiary is set up as a Special Purpose Company under non-recourse arrangements and therefore the Company has limited its exposure to the liabilities. In the event of default of the subsidiary, the exposure is limited to the extent of the investment it has made.

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis which assumes that the Group will be able to continue in operation for the foreseeable future.

The Directors have considered the available funding facilities, cash flow projections and financial projections that are agreed as part of the long term financial model for the project. In addition the Group has in place SWAP arrangements with the funders that protect against interest rate fluctuations. The current swap valuations are liabilities which give rise to a net liability position as at 31 December 2019, however, the cash flow forecasts demonstrate satisfactory headroom to enable the Group to meet the forecast cash outflows for the foreseeable future.

The Directors have considered the potential impact to the business from the effects of the current pandemic (Covid-19) and have put in place plans to mitigate the currently known, and potential risks to business continuity. The unitary charge income received from the local authority is highly predicable and the content of the Cabinet Office Policy Note PPN 02/20 indicates that public bodies will continue to pay their suppliers, the Directors do not believe that there is any material risk to income or cashflows. On this basis, the Directors anticipate that the Group will continue to be able to meet its business obligations as they fall due over the coming twelve months. The Directors therefore consider it appropriate to continue to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis.

After considering these matters and in light of the current forecasts for the Group, the Directors consider it appropriate to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

#### 1 Accounting policies

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#### 1.4 Turnover

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business, net of discounts, VAT and other sales related taxes.

Income received in respect of the service concession is allocated between revenue and capital repayment of, and interest income on, the PFI financial asset using the effective interest rate method. Service revenue is recognised as a margin on non-pass-through operating and maintenance costs.

Pass through income represents the direct pass through of recoverable costs, as specified in the Project Agreement.

Variation income relates to the recharge of costs incurred for the alteration of the facilities or the services provided, requested by the Authority.

#### 1.5 Fixed asset investments

A subsidiary is an entity controlled by the Group. Control is the power to govern the financial and operating policies of the entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities.

#### 1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are basic financial assets and include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

#### 1.7 Financial instruments

The Group has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the Group's balance sheet when the Group becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the balance sheet, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

#### Loans and receivables

Trade debtors, loans and other receivables that have fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market are classified as 'loans and receivables'. Loans and receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

Interest is recognised by applying the effective interest rate, except for short-term receivables when the recognition of interest would be immaterial. The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a debt instrument and of allocating the interest income over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the debt instrument to the net carrying amount on initial recognition.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

#### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### Service concession

The Group has been established to provide services under certain private finance agreements with The City of Wakefield Metropolitan District Council (the Council). Under the terms of these Agreements, the Council (as grantor) controls the services to be provided by the Group over the contract term. Based on the contractual arrangements the Group has classified the project as a service concession arrangement, and has accounted for the principal assets of, and income streams from, the project in accordance with FRS 102, Section 34.12 Service Concession Arrangements.

The Group has chosen to adopt the transitional arrangements available within FRS 102, Section 35.10 (i) and as such the service concession arrangement has continued to be accounted for using the same accounting policies being applied at the date of transition to FRS 102 (1 January 2014). The nature of the asset has therefore not changed; however, there was a change in the description from Finance Debtor to Financial Asset.

Under the terms of the arrangement, the Group has the right to receive a baseline contractual payment stream for the provision of the services from or at the direction of the grantor (the Council), and as such the asset is accounted for as a financial asset. The financial asset has initially been recognised at the fair value of the consideration received, based on the fair value of the construction (or upgrade) services, plus any directly attributable transaction costs, provided in line with FRS 102.

#### Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets are assessed for indicators of impairment at each reporting end date.

Financial assets are impaired where there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows have been affected. If an asset is impaired, the impairment loss is the difference between the carrying amount and the present value of the estimated cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. The impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

If there is a decrease in the impairment loss arising from an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the impairment is reversed. The reversal is such that the current carrying amount does not exceed what the carrying amount would have been, had the impairment not previously been recognised. The impairment reversal is recognised in profit or loss.

#### Derecognition of financial assets

Financial assets are derecognised only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or when the Group transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to another entity, or if some significant risks and rewards of ownership are retained but control of the asset has transferred to another party that is able to sell the asset in its entirety to an unrelated third party.

#### Classification of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Group after deducting all of its liabilities.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

#### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors, bank loans, loans from fellow group companies and preference shares that are classified as debt, are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method. The effective interest method is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial instruments.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### Other financial liabilities

Derivatives, including interest rate swaps, are not basic financial instruments. Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at their fair value. Changes in the fair value of derivatives are recognised in the group statement of comprehensive income in finance costs or finance income as appropriate, unless hedge accounting is applied and the hedge is a cash flow hedge.

Debt instruments that do not meet the conditions in FRS 102 paragraph 11.9 are subsequently measured at fair value through the group statement of comprehensive income. Debt instruments may be designated as being measured at fair value through the group statement of comprehensive income to eliminate or reduce an accounting mismatch or if the instruments are measured and their performance evaluated on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy.

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Group after deducting all of its liabilities.

#### Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the Group's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

#### 1.8 Equity instruments

Equity instruments issued by the Group are recorded at the proceeds received, net of transaction costs. Dividends payable on equity instruments are recognised as liabilities once they are no longer at the discretion of the Group.

#### 1.9 Derivatives

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value at the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently remeasured to fair value at each reporting end date. The resulting gain or loss is recognised in the group statement of comprehensive income immediately unless the derivative is designated and effective as a hedging instrument, in which event the timing of the recognition in the group statement of comprehensive income depends on the nature of the hedge relationship.

A derivative with a positive fair value is recognised as a financial asset, whereas a derivative with a negative fair value is recognised as a financial liability.

The Group does not hold or issue derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

#### 1 Accounting policies

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#### **Hedge accounting**

The Group designates certain hedging instruments, including derivatives, embedded derivatives and non-derivatives, as either fair value hedges or cash flow hedges.

At the inception of the hedge relationship, the Group documents the relationship between the hedging instrument and the hedged item along with risk management objectives and strategy for undertaking various hedge transactions. At the inception of the hedge and on an ongoing basis, the Group documents whether the hedging instrument is highly effective in offsetting changes in fair values or cash flows of the hedged item.

#### Cash flow hedges

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges is recognised in other comprehensive income.

The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in the group statement of comprehensive income, and is included in the 'other gains and losses' line in this item.

Amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity are reclassified to the group statement of comprehensive income in the periods when the hedged item is recognised in the group statement of comprehensive income in the same line as the recognised hedged item. However when the forecast transaction that is hedged results in the recognition of a non-financial asset or liability, the gains and losses previously accumulated in equity are transferred from equity and included in the initial measurement of the cost of the asset or liability concerned.

#### 1.10 Taxation

The tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

#### Current tax

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from net profit as reported in the group statement of comprehensive income because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes items that are never taxable or deductible. The Group's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting end date.

#### Deferred tax

Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all timing differences and deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits. Such assets and liabilities are not recognised if the timing difference arises from goodwill or from the initial recognition of other assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the tax profit nor the accounting profit.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each reporting end date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered. Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the liability is settled or the asset is realised. Deferred tax is charged or credited in the profit and loss account, except when it relates to items charged or credited directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is also dealt with in equity. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset if, and only if, there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets and liabilities and the deferred tax assets and liabilities relate to taxes levied by the same tax authority.

Where items recognised in other comprehensive income or equity are chargeable to or deductible for tax purposes, the resulting current or deferred tax expense or income is presented in the same component of comprehensive income or equity as the transaction or other event that resulted in the tax expense or income.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

#### 1 Accounting policies

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#### 1.11 Reclassification of comparative information

The following reclassification of comparative information has been made to more appropriately reflect its nature:

Cash flow statement - Cash inflows attributed to interest received for the financial asset have been reclassified to investing activities.

Note 15 – The amount payable in respect derivative financial instruments within one year has been separately disclosed.

#### 2 Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the Group's accounting policies, the Directors are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

#### Critical judgements

The following judgements (apart from those involving estimates) have had the most significant effect on amounts recognised in the financial statements.

#### Hedge accounting

The Directors consider the Group to have met the criteria for cash flow hedge accounting and the Group has therefore recognised fair value movements on derivatives in effective hedging relationships through other comprehensive income as well as the deferred tax thereon.

#### Key sources of estimation uncertainty

The estimates and assumptions which have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities are as follows.

#### Valuation of derivative financial instruments

The Directors use their judgement in selecting a suitable valuation technique for derivative financial instruments. All derivative financial instruments are valued at the mark to market valuation provided by the derivative counterparty. In these cases, the Group uses valuation techniques to assess the reasonableness of the valuation provided by the derivative counterparty. These techniques use a discounted cash flow analysis based on market observable inputs derived from similar instruments in similar and active markets. The fair value of derivative financial instruments at the balance sheet date was a liability of £1,753,000 (2018: £1,979,000 liability). The Directors do not consider the impact of own credit risk to be material.

#### Service concession arrangement

As disclosed in Note 1, the Group accounts for the project as a service concession arrangement. The Directors use their judgement in selecting the appropriate financial asset rate to be applied in order to allocate the income received between revenue, and capital repayment of and interest income on the financial asset; and also the service margin that is used to recognise service revenue. The Directors have also used their judgement in assessing the appropriateness of the future maintenance costs that are included in the Group's forecasts. The Directors will continue to monitor the condition of the assets and undertake a regular review of maintenance spend.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

3	Turnover and other revenue		
	An analysis of the Group's turnover is as follows:		
		2019	2018
		£'000	£'000
	Turnover analysed by class of business Service fee income	3,291	2,619
	Passthrough and variation income	3,291	504
		3,553	3,123
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		2040	2040
		2019 £'000	2018 £'000
	Turnover analysed by geographical market	2 000	2,000
	United Kingdom	3,553	3,123
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4	Auditor's remuneration	2019	2018
	Fees payable to the Group's auditor and associates:	£'000	£'000
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	For audit services		
	Audit of the financial statements of the Group and Company	10	10
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5	Employees		
	The Group had no employees during the current or prior year.		
6	Directors' remuneration		
	No directors received any remuneration for services to the Group during the	current or prior year.	
7	Interest receivable and similar income		
		2019	2018
	Laternal income	£'000	£'000
	Interest income	7	4
	Interest on bank deposits Interest receivable on financial asset	800	887
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	Total income	807	891

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

8	Interest payable and similar expenses		
•		2019	2018
		£'000	£'000
	Interest on bank overdrafts and loans	675	764
	Interest payable to group undertakings	130	150
	Total finance costs	805	914
9	Taxation		
		2019	2018
		£'000	£'000
	Current tax		
	UK corporation tax on profits for the current period	98	93

For the year ended 31 December 2019, the UK corporation tax rate of 19% is applied.

A reduction in the UK corporation tax rate from 19% to 17% (effective 1 April 2020) was substantively enacted on 15 September 2016. The March 2020 Budget announced that a rate of 19% would continue to apply with effect from 1 April 2020, and this change was substantively enacted on 17 March 2020. The UK deferred tax asset/(liability) as at 31 December 2019 has been calculated based on 17%.

The actual charge for the year can be reconciled to the expected charge for the year based on the profit or loss and the standard rate of tax as follows:

	2019 £'000	2018 £'000
Profit before taxation	514 ——	489 ——
Expected tax charge based on the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.00% (2018: 19.00%)	98	93 ——
Taxation charge in the financial statements	98	93

In addition to the amount charged to the profit and loss account, the following amounts relating to tax have been recognised directly in other comprehensive income:

	2019 £'000	2018 £'000
Deferred tax arising on: Revaluation of financial instruments treated as cash flow hedges	38	103
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# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

			·			
10	Dividends				2019	2018
					£'000	
	Interim paid				424 ——	285 ———
11	Fixed asset investmen	ts				
			Group		Company	
		Not	2019 es £'000			
	Investments in subsidiar	ries 12	! . ——	: <u>—</u>	- 25 = <u>—</u>	25 ———
	Movements in fixed as	set investments				
	Company					Shares in group undertakings
	Cost or valuation At 1 January 2019 and 3	31 December 2019				<b>£'000</b> 25
	Carrying amount At 31 December 2019					25
	At 31 December 2018					25
12	Subsidiaries					
	Details of the Company'	s subsidiaries at 31	December 2019 a	are as follows:		
	Name of undertaking	Registered office	Nature of busin		Class of shares held	% Held Direct
	Amey Highways Lighting (Wakefield) Limited	g 8 White Oak Square, London Road, Swanley, BR8 7AG	Design, installati and maintain str		Ordinary shares	100
13	Financial instruments		Grace		Componi	
			Group 2019		Company 2019	
			2013	201		
			£'000	£'00	0 £'000	£'000
	Carrying amount of fin	ancial liabilities	£'000	£'00	000°£	£'000
	Carrying amount of fin Measured at fair value the Other financial liabilitie	hrough profit or loss				£'000

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

#### 13 Financial instruments

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#### **Derivative Financial Instruments**

The swaps have a fixed interest rate of 6.1% and expire in 2026. The interest rate swaps settle on a semiannual basis. The floating rate on the interest rate swaps is six months' Libor. The Group will settle the difference between the fixed and floating interest rate on a net basis.

All interest rate swap contracts are designated as hedges of variable interest rate risk of the Group's floating rate borrowings. The hedged cash flows are expected to occur and to affect profit or loss over the period to maturity of the interest rate swaps.

The fair value of the derivative financial instrument above comprise the fair of the interest rate swap designated in an effective hedging relationship. The change in fair value of the interest rate swap that was recognised in other comprehensive income in the period was a profit of £226,000 (2018: profit of £604,000).

#### 14 Debtors

Amounts falling due within on	e year:	Group		Company	
		2019	2018	2019	2018
	Notes	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Trade debtors		519	514	1	-
Amounts due from subsidiary un	dertakings	-	-	158	182
Financial asset	-	838	943	-	-
Other financial asset		_	445	-	-
Prepayments and accrued incom	ne	45	75	-	-
		1,402	1,977	159	182
Amounts falling due after mor	e than one year	:			
Amounts due from subsidiary un	dertakings	-	-	842	969
Financial asset		10,759	11,666	-	-
Deferred tax asset	18	298	336	-	-
		11,057	12,002	842	969
Total debtors		12,459	13,979	1,001	1,151
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Other financial assets include amounts held within deposit accounts with a maturity of not less than three months from the initial deposit.

#### Amounts due from subsidiary undertakings

At the year end, the Company was owed £969,000 (2018: £1,115,000) in subordinated debt loans and £31,000 (2018: £36,000) in accrued interest from its subsidiary, Amey Highways Lighting (Wakefield) Limited. The subordinated debt is unsecured and is subject to interest at 12.5%. The debt is repayable by instalments from surplus funds to 2026.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

15	Creditors: amounts falling due within	n one year	•			
	•	•	Group		Company	
			2019	2018	2019	2018
	,	Notes	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	Bank loans	17	1,120	1,153	-	-
	Trade creditors		275	241	-	•
	Amounts owed to parent undertakings	17	158	182	158	182
	Corporation tax payable		15	47	-	-
	Other taxation and social security		141	139	-	-
	Derivative financial instruments measured at fair value through profit or					
	loss	13	398	456	-	_
	Accruals and deferred income		335	231	-	-
			2,442	2,449	158	182
16	Creditors: amounts falling due after	more than	one year Group 2019 £'000	2018 £'000	Company 2019 £'000	2018 £'000
	Bank loans	17	9,082	10,202	_	_
	Amount due to parent undertakings Derivative financial instruments	17	842	969	842	969
	measured at fair value through profit or loss		1,355	1,523	-	-
			11,279	12,694	842	969
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#### **Derivative Financial Instruments**

The swaps have a fixed interest rate of 6.1% and expire in 2026. The interest rate swaps settle on a semiannual basis. The floating rate on the interest rate swaps is six months' Libor. The Company will settle the difference between the fixed and floating interest rate on a net basis.

All interest rate swap contracts are designated as hedges of variable interest rate risk of the Company's floating rate borrowings. The hedged cash flows are expected to occur and to affect profit or loss over the period to maturity of the interest rate swaps.

The fair value of the derivative financial instrument above comprise the fair value of the interest rate swap designated in an effective hedging relationship. The change in fair value of the interest rate swap that was recognised in other comprehensive income in the period was a profit of £226,000 (2018: profit of £604,000).

Amounts included above which fall due after five years are as follows:

Payable by instalments	3,860	5,653	237	412

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

17	Loans and overdrafts				
		Group		Company	
		2019	2018	2019	2018
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	Bank loans	10,202	11,355	-	-
	Loans from parent undertakings	969	1,115	969	1,115
		11,171	12,470	969	1,115
	Payable within one year	1,247	1,299	127	146
	Payable after one year	9,924	11,171	842	969

The loans are secured by a fixed and floating charge over all the assets of the Group and a charge over the shares of the Group.

#### Bank loan

The bank loan is provided by Bank of Scotland and is to be used to finance the construction of the project over its remaining life. The loan is repayable in installments based on an agreed percentage amount of the total facility per annum through to 2026.

Interest on the facility is charged at rates linked to LIBOR. The Company has entered into fixed interest rate swaps to mitigate its interest exposure. The fixed interest rate on the facility, after taking into consideration the swap is 6.1%.

#### **Subordinated debt**

The amounts owed to parent undertakings comprise subordinated loans of £969,000 (2018: £1,115,000). The loans are subject to interest rates at an agreed arm's length rate of 12.5% per annum and are repayable by 2026 in line with the agreed repayment schedules. Interest accrued on these loans at 31 December 2019 are included in the total in note 12 and amount to £31,000 (2018: £36,000).

#### 18 Deferred taxation

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset where the Group or Company has a legally enforceable right to do so. The following is the analysis of the deferred tax balances (after offset) for financial reporting purposes:

	ASSEIS	ASSELS
	2019	2018
Group	£'000	£'000
Deferred tax on interest rate swap fair value	298 	336

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

18	Deferred taxation		(Continued)	
		Group 2019	Company 2019	
•	Movements in the year:	£'000	£'000	
	Asset at 1 January 2019	(336)	-	
	Charge to other comprehensive income	38	-	
	Asset at 31 December 2019	(298)	-	

The deferred tax asset in relation to the interest rate swap liability is expected to affect profit or loss over the period to maturity of the interest rate swap.

#### 19 Share capital

	Group a	Group and company	
	2019	2018	
Ordinary share capital	£'000	£'000	
Issued and fully paid			
25,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	25	25	
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#### Other reserves

The Group's other reserves are as follows:

The profit and loss reserve represents cumulative profits or losses.

The hedging reserve represents the cumulative portion of gains and losses on hedging instruments deemed effective in hedging variable interest rate risk of recognised financial instruments. Amounts accumulated in this reserve are reclassified to profit or loss in the periods in which the hedged item affects profit or loss or when the hedging relationship ends.

#### 20 Related party transactions

#### Transactions with related parties

During the year the Group entered into the following transactions with related parties:

	2019	2018
·	£'000	£'000
Group		
Amey LG Limited: Operating and maintenance costs	2,612	2,057
Amey Ventures Management Services Limited: Directors' fees	14	16
DIF Infrastructure II & DIF III UK Limited: Directors' fees	14	16
Jura Acquisition Limited: Directors' fees	18	-
Amey Ventures Investments Limited: Loan note interest	65	75
Jura Acquisition Limited and subsidiaries: Loan note interest	65	75
	2,788	2,239

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

#### 20 Related party transactions

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#### Amounts owed to related parties

The following amounts were outstanding at the reporting end date:

	2019	2018
	£'000	£'000
Group		
Amey LG Limited: Operating and maintenance costs	266	216
Jura Acquisition Limited: Directors' fees	18	-
Amey Ventures Investments Limited: Loan note	484	557
Amey Ventures Investments Limited: Loan note interest	15	18
Jura Acquisition Limited and subsidiaries: Loan note	484	557
Jura Acquisition Limited and subsidiaries: Loan note interest	15	18
	1,282	1,366

#### 21 Controlling party

The Company is a joint venture between Fenton Holdco Limited (50%) and Amey Ventures Investments Limited (50%) who jointly control the Company. Amey Ventures Investments Limited Ltd is incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England, with a registered address of Chancery Exchange, 10 Furnival Street, London, United Kingdom, EC4A 1AB. Copies of the accounts of Amey Ventures Investments Limited are available from Companies House. Fenton Holdco Limited a company incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England and Wales, with a registered address of 10-11 Charterhouse Square, London, United Kingdom, EC1M 6EH. Copies of the accounts of Fenton Holdco Limited are available from Companies House.

#### 22 Cash generated from group operations

		Restated
	2019	2018
·	£'000	£'000
Profit for the year after tax	416	396
Adjustments for:		
Taxation charged	98	93
Finance costs	805	914
Investment income	(807)	(892)
Movements in working capital:		
Decrease in debtors	1,037	1,458
Increase in creditors	139	133
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Cash generated from operations	1,688	2,102

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

#### 23 Analysis of changes in net debt - group

, many one or omaining or mining or many or or any	1 January 2019	Cash flows	Other non- 3	31 December 2019
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Cash at bank and in hand	528	278	-	806
Borrowings excluding overdrafts	(12,469)	1,310	(10)	(11,170)
Interest rate swap	(1,979)		226	(1,753)
	(13,920)	1,588	216	(12,117)

#### 24 Subsequent events

Subsequent to the year end the COVID-19 pandemic has developed rapidly and the UK Government has enacted emergency measures to contain the spread of the virus, which have adversely impacted economic activity in the UK. The Directors continue to monitor the situation and have put in place plans to mitigate the currently known, and potential risks to business continuity. They have assessed the potential impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on going concern and their statement is provided in note 1.3 to the financial statements.