# ELECOSOFT LIMITED (Formerly Eleco Limited)

Registered Number: 02734227

**Directors' Report and Financial Statements** 

for the year ended 31 December 2020

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## **OFFICERS AND ADVISERS**

**Directors** J Hunter

Registered office 66 Clifton Street

London EC2A·4HB

Bankers Barclays Bank plc

Auditor RSM UK Audit LLP 25 Farringdon Street

London

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## Elecosoft Limited Strategic Report

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Eleco plc. The company operates as part of the Eleco Group.

The company's principal activities during the period under review was that of a holding company. The Directors are not aware, at the date of this report, of any likely major changes in the company's activities in the next year.

The company did not trade during the year. During the year the company received dividends of £3,634,559 (2019: £2,843,702) from its subsidiary undertakings and paid a dividend of £2,200,000 (2019: £2,300,000) to its parent company. Eleco plc.

## Outlook

The Directors expect a continued improvement in the level of dividends received from it's wholly owned subsidiaries and therefore will continue to pass dividends up to the parent company, Eleco plc in the future.

## Principal risks and uncertainties

The principal risks and uncertainties of the Company are dependant on the activities of the wholly owned subsidiaries. Details of these are disclosed in the Strategic Report of the financial statements of the subsidiary undertakings.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

66 Clifton Street London EC2A 4HB

23 September 2021

J Hunter Director

### DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2020.

#### RESULTS AND DIVIDEND

The profit for the year ended 31 December 2020 was £3,081,350 (2019: £2,106,038). An ordinary dividend of £2,200,000 (2019: £2,300,000) was paid during the period.

### **REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS**

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Eleco pic and operates as part of the Eleco Group and has elected to take advantage of section 246(4) of the Companies Act 2006 regarding reporting of KPIs.

The Company's principal activity during the year was an investment and holding company.

The Company changed its name from Eleco Limited to Elecosoft Limited during the year,

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

### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' 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 laws including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to 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 and 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 judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- UK Accounting Standards have been followed, including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland, 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

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 compty with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of freud and other irregularities.

## STATEMENT OF DISCLOSURE TO AUDITORS

The directors confirm that:

- so far as each director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware; and
- the directors have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as directors in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

## DIRECTORS

The Directors, who served in the year and up to the date of approval of the financial statements, were as follows:

- J Hunter
- J Ketteley (resigned from the Board on 23 September 2020)
- B Moralee (appointed to the Board on 23 September 2020 and resigned on 26 March 2021)

The Company maintains Directors' and Officers' Liability insurance.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

66 Clifton Street London EC2A 4HB

23 September 2021

J Hunter

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF

## ELECOSOFT LIMITED

### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Elecosoft Limited (the 'company') for the year ended 31 December 2020 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, Statement of Changes in Equity, the Balance Sheet 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 company's affairs as at 31 December 2020 and of its profit for the year then ended;
   have been property 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 responsibilities of their mass statements are futurel described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the addit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the company in accordance with the etilicial 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

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF

## **ELECOSOFT LIMITED (continued)**

### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. 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.

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 course of 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 this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. 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.

### Opinion 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 Strategic Report and Directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements;
- The Strategic Report and Directors' Report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

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

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not Identified material misstatements in the Strategic Report or 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 company, 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; 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 from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the statement of directors' responsibilities 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 are 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 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 company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF

## **ELECOSOFT LIMITED (continued)**

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.

### The extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

triggularities are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. The objectives of our audit are to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding compliance with laws and regulations that have a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, to perform audit procedures to help identify instances of non-compliance with other laws and regulations that may have a material effect on the financial statements, and to respond appropriately to identified or suspected noncompliance with laws and regulations identified during the audit.

In relation to fraud, the objectives of our audit are to identify and assess the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud, to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud through designing and implementing appropriate responses and to respond appropriately to fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit.

However, it is the primary responsibility of management, with the oversight of those charged with governance, to ensure that the entity's operations are conducted in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations and for the prevention and detection of fraud.

In Identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud, the audit engagement team:

- . obtained an understanding of the nature of the industry and sector, including the legal and regulatory framework that the company operates in and how the company is complying with the legal and regulatory frame-
- . inquired of management, and those charged with governance, about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities, including any known actual, suspected or alleged instances of fraud;
- · discussed matters about non-compliance with laws and regulations and how fraud might occur including assessment of how and where the financial statements may be susceptible to fraud.

As a result of these procedures we consider the most significant laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the financial statements are FRS 102, the Companies Act 2006 and tax compliance regulations. We performed audit procedures to detect non-compliances which may have a material impact on the financial statements which included reviewing financial statement disclosures, inspecting correspondence with local tax authorities and evaluating advice received from internal/external tax advisors.

The audit engagement team identified the risk of management override of controls as the area where the financial statements were most susceptible to material misstatement due to fraud. Audit procedures performed included but were not limited to testing manual journal entries and other adjustments and evaluating the business rationale in relation to significant, unusual transactions and transactions entered into outside the normal course of business.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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

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25 Farringdon Street London EC4A 4AB

24 September 2021

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT For the year ended 31 December 2020

For the year ended 31 December 2020		2020	2019
<b>~</b> .	NOTES	£	£
Administrative income/(expenses)		-	-
Operating profit	-	<u></u> ,	<del>-</del>
Provision for impairment of investments	5	-	(181,429)
Dividends received		3,634,559	2,843,702
Profit before interest and taxation	-	3,634,559	2,662,273
Interest payable	3	(570,050)	(573,035)
Profit before taxation	; <del></del>	3,064,509	2,089,238
Tax on profit	4	16,841	16,800
Total comprehensive income and profit after taxation	<b>-</b> -	3,081,350	2,106,038

All of the Company's operations are continuing.

The accompanying accounting policies and notes on pages 10 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY For the year ended 31 December 2020

			Profit and	
	Share	Capital	loss	
	capital	contribution	account	Total
	£	£	£	£
At 1 January 2020	371,191	727,838	(761,324)	337,705
Profit for the period	-	_	3,081,350	3,081,350
Dividend	-	_	(2,200,000)	(2,200,000)
Total comprehensive expense for the period			881,350	881,350
At 31 December 2020	371,191	727,838	120,026	1,219,055
7			120,020	1,210,000
			Profit and	
	Share	Capital	loss	
	capital	contribution	account	Total
	£	£	£	£
At 1 January 2019	371,191	727,838	(567,362)	531,667
Profit for the period	_	-	2,106,038	2,106,038
Dividend	-	-	(2,300,000)	(2,300,000)
Total comprehensive expense for the period			(193,962)	(193,962)
At 31 December 2019	371,191	727,838	(761,324)	337,705

The accompanying accounting policies and notes on pages 10 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET As at 31 December		:	2020	20	19
FIXED ASSETS	NOTES	£	£	£	£
Investments: Shares in related companies	5		19,600,731 19,600,731		19,600,731 19,600,731
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors	6	672,157 672,157	•	798,222 798,222	
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	7 _(	19,053,833)		(20,061,248)	
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES			(18,381,676)		(19,263,026)
NET ASSETS			1,219,055		337,705
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital Capital contribution Profit and loss account	8 7		371,191 727,838 120,026		371,191 727,838 (761,324)
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			1,219,055		337,705

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form part of these financial statements.

The financial statements of Elecosoft Limited, registered number 02734227, on pages 7 to 12 were approved by the Board of Directors on  $\underline{23}$  September 2021, and signed on its behalf by:

J Hunter

## ELECOSOFT LIMITED Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

### 1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## Company Information

Elecosoft Limited (the "Company") is a private company limited by shares incorporated in the UK and it's registered office is at 66 Clifton Street, London, EC2A 4HB.

### Basis of preparation

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"), the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, including the provisions of the Large and Medium sized Companies and Groups (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and under the historical cost convention.

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 £. The Company has adopted the following disclosure exemptions under FRS 102 as the parent company consolidated financial statements are publically available:

- · requirement to present a statement of cash flows and related notes
- · financial instrument disclosures.
- · key management remuneration disclosure.

### Significant accounting judgements and estimates

Application of the Company's accounting policies in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires judgements and estimates that affect the amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses reported in the financial statements. These judgements and estimates may be affected by subsequent events or actions such that actual results may ultimately differ from the estimates.

The key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the balance sheet date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below:

### Carrying value of investments

Provisions for impairment on the carrying value of investments in subsidiary undertakings are reviewed and adjusted annually to reflect any changes in the carrying value of the underlying subsidiary investment.

### Investments

Fixed asset investments are shown at cost, together with any incidental costs of acquisition, less any provision for impairment. Provisions are reviewed and adjusted annually to reflect any changes in the carrying value of the underlying subsidiary investment.

### Consolidated accounts

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Eleco pic and the figures of the company are included within the group financial statements of Eleco pic. Consequently the company is exempt from the requirement to publish group consolidated accounts. Accordingly the information included within the financial statements is for the individual undertaking only.

## Taxation

Current UK corporation tax is provided at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred taxation is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events have occurred at the date will result in an obligation to pay more tax or a right to pay less or to receive more tax, with the following exceptions:

- provision is made for deferred tax that would arise on remittance of the retained earnings of overseas subsidiary undertakings only to the extent that, at the balance sheet date, dividends have been accrued as receivable; and
- deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that the Directors consider that it is more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted.

Deferred tax is measured on an undiscounted basis at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which timing differences reverse, based on tax rates and laws enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

## Dividends

Dividend income represents income from investment in shares of related companies.

Dividends paid are those declared by the end of the reporting period in favour of the parent company, Eleco plc.

## Going concern

Notwithstanding the net current liabilities of approximately £18.4m, these financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the parent company has confirmed its financial support and that it will not require repayment of the intercompany loan within the next 12 months from the signing of these financial statements if it would prejudice the ability of the company to continue as a going concern.

# ELECOSOFT LIMITED. Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 (continued).

## 2 EMPLOYEES

The Company has no employees (2019: nil).

Directors remuneration is borne by another group company.

3	INITEDECT	<b>PAYABLE</b>

Payable to Group undertakings	2020 £ 570,050	£ 573,035
TAX ON PROFIT		
a) Tax on profit	2020	2019
	£	£
Current tax:		
UK current tax on profits of the year	(16,841)	(16,800)
Deferred tax:		
Total deferred tax	<u>.                                      </u>	<u> </u>
Tax on profit	(16,841)	(16,800)
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## b) Factors affecting tax credit for period

The differences between the current tax assessed for the period and the average standard rate of corporation tax are explained as follows:

Profit before tax	2020 £ 3,064,509	2019 £ 2,089,238_
Profit multiplied by the average standard rate of corporation tax of 19.00% (2019: 19.00%)	582,257	396,955
Effects of: Income not taxable	(690,566)	(540,303)
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	(16,841)	17,671
Losses surrendered not paid	108,309	108,876
Current tax credit for the year	(16,841)	(16,800)

## c) Factors that may affect future tax charges

Income tax for the UK has been calculated at the weighted average rate of UK corporation tax of 19.00% (2019: 19.00%) on the estimated assessable profit for the period. The Directors do not anticipate the level of tax to change significantly in the future and therefore will not have an impact on the company.

5	SHARES	IN REL	ATED COMPANIES

hares	at	cost

	£
Cost At 1 January 2020	20,382,465
At 31 December 2020	20,382,465
Accumulated provision	
At 1 January 2020	(781,734)
Impairment	<u> </u>
At 31 December 2020	(781,734)
Net book value at 31 December 2019	19,600,731
Net book value at 31 December 2020	19,600,731
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Company	Aggregate of share capital and reserves	Profit / (loss) for the year	Country of incorporation	Class of share capital held	Proportion held	Nature of business
	£	£				
Asta Development GMBH	270,892	175,489	Germany	Ordinary	100%	Software & services
Elecosoft Consultec AB	1,133,947	9,447	Sweden	Ordinary	100%	Software & services
Elecosofi UK Limited *	8,663,908	2,928,302	UK	Ordinary	100%	Software & services
Asta Group Limited	156,750	1,853.000	ŲK	Ordinary	100%	Holding company
Eleco Software Limited	(1,007,859)	4,368,781	uk	Ordinary	100%	Software
Shire Systems Limited	1,651,623	1,423,817	UK	Ordinary	100%	Software & services
Eleco Software GmbH	245,860	67,646	Germany	Ordinary	100%	Software & services
Elecosofi LLC	(197,548)	10,589	US	Ordinary	100%	Software
Elecosoft BV	170,254	79,205	Netherlands	Ordinary	100%	Software & services

shares held indirectly

Details of the registered office for each related entity are disclosed in the consolidated financial statements of Eleco plc, the ultimate parent company, which are publicly available.

# ELECOSOFT LIMITED Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 (continued)

## 6 DEBTORS

	2020	2019
Due within one year:	£	£
Amounts owed by group undertakings	543,321	686,227
Corporation tax	128,836	111,995
	672,157	798,222

The amount owed by fellow subsidiaries relates to ESIGN Software GmbH. This loan is interest bearing and is fully payable within one year. There is no security on this loan.

## 7 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

2020	2019
£	£
19,053,833 19,053,833	20,061,248 20,061,248
2020	2019
£	£
<u>371,191</u>	371,191
371,191	371,191
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## 9 ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The Directors regard Eleco plc, a company registered in England and Wales, as the ultimate controlling parent undertaking. Copies of the ultimate controlling parent's consolidated financial statements may be obtained from the Company Secretary, Eleco plc, 66 Clifton Street, London, EC2A 4HB.

According to the Register of Members kept by the Company, Eleco pic has a 100% interest in the equity capital of the Company at 31 December 2020.

## 10 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

As permitted by FRS102 Section 33 "related party disclosures" the financial statements do not disclose transactions with the parent company and

## 11 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Security provided to the bank for the provision of the Group's banking facilities is a cross guarantee and debenture between the company and the parent company, Eleco plc.

## 12 POST-BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

Further details of post-balance sheet events can be obtained from the Group's Annual Report and Accounts, which does not form part of this Report.

## 13 DIVIDENDS

Dividends received in the year from subsidiary undertakings amounted to £3,634,559 (2019: £2,843,702).

Dividends paid in the year to the ultimate parent company, Eleco plc, amounted to £2,200,000 (2019: £2,300,000).