# A. BILBROUGH & CO. LIMITED (REGISTERED NUMBER 116377)

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**20TH FEBRUARY 2015** 

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## **Directors**

I. E. Gooch

M.D.M. Hill (Resigned 21 March 2014)

A.G. Jones

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S. Roberts

I.W. Barr

R. Toggwiler

# **Company Secretary**

S.J. Avigdor

# **Registered Office**

50 Leman Street London E1 8HQ

### **Bankers**

Barclays Bank Plc 1 Churchill Place London E14 5HP

## **Auditors**

Moore Stephens LLP 150 Aldersgate Street London EC1A 4AB

#### STRATEGIC REPORT

The Directors present their Strategic report for the year ended 20 February 2015.

#### **Review of Business and Risks**

The sole activity of the company is the management of the London Steam-Ship Owners' Mutual Insurance Association Ltd ("the Association"), a Protection and Indemnity Club providing third party liability insurance on a mutual and fixed premium basis to shipowners and ship operators. The company has its head office in London where its senior management team is located but it also has claims handling/liaison offices in Hong Kong and Piraeus, Greece. The company's turnover for the year to 20 February 2015 was £12,033,417 (2014: £11,864,979), an increase of 1.4%, and its retained profit for the year was £579,087 (2014: £523,807). The ratio of staff costs to turnover was 73% (2014: 73%).

The contractual relationship between the company and the Association is governed by the terms of a Management Agreement dated 15 November 2012. The company's turnover is derived in its entirety from the remuneration it earns from the Association, calculated in accordance with the Management Agreement, which is intended to cover the costs which the company incurs in carrying out its management responsibilities. Although the company is owned by its Directors and is independent of the Association, the Association remains its only client, so its fortunes are very largely dependent on it. The company's turnover will therefore fluctuate only as a result of changes in the costs of managing the Association. The company also earned other income for the year to 20 February 2015 of £101,100 from rental income received on sub-let space in its London office (2014: £52,475).

The principal risk facing the company is its reliance on its single client. Whilst the Directors recognise this fact, given the very longstanding business connection with the Association and the close working relationship which exists with its governing Committee, they do not feel the need to reduce this reliance at the present time, particularly if in taking steps to do so the quality of service provision to the Association might suffer.

The second major risk facing the company is its financial obligation towards the defined benefit pension scheme, membership of which is still open to its longer-standing UK staff and which, in common with many such schemes, currently has a large actuarial deficit. Since full implementation of Financial Reporting Standard 17 became a requirement in 2006 it has been necessary for the company to reflect this deficit in the company's financial statements, and the impact has been very significant, as well as obscuring the underlying trading performance of the company. During the financial year reported in these financial statements, the net deficit, after making allowance for deferred taxation, increased from £10,476,655 to £13,920,707 due entirely to a fall in the yield on corporate bonds, used to set the discount rate applied to scheme liabilities. This resulted in liabilities increasing by approximately £7m, although this was offset by investment returns higher than assumed and excess employer contributions being paid.

### STRATEGIC REPORT continued

### **Review of Business and Risks continued**

In March 2015 the company agreed a Recovery Plan with the Scheme Trustees under which the deficit is expected to be eliminated by 2021, provided the assumptions set out in the Statement of Funding Principles are met. The Recovery Plan is next due to be reviewed and updated following completion of the 2017 triennial actuarial valuation.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

A.G. JONES Director

50 Leman Street London E1 8HQ November 2015

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The Directors present their Annual Report and the Financial Statements for the year ended 20 February 2015.

## **Results**

The retained profit for the financial year is shown on page 8. The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend on the Management shares. A transfer has been made to the cumulative preference share reserve to recognise the obligation of paying a dividend of 7.5 pence per share on the 'A' shares, at such time as distributable reserves are generated in the future.

#### **Directors**

The Directors listed on page 1 served throughout the financial year, except for Mike Hill, who retired on 21 March 2014.

As permitted by the Companies Act 2006, the company has insurance cover for Directors and Officers of the company.

#### **Charitable Donations**

During the year the company made charitable donations of £2,000 (2014: £2,000) to maritime-related charities. There were no political contributions.

### **Auditors**

The auditors, Moore Stephens LLP, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006.

So far as each Director is aware at the time the report is approved:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware, and
- the Directors have taken all the steps they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

50 Leman Street London E1 8HQ

JONES Director

November 2015

#### 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

- 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 company will continue in business.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are suffucient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply 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 fraud and other irregularities.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF A. BILBROUGH & CO. LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of A. Bilbrough & Co. Limited for the year ended 20 February 2015 which are set out on pages 8 to 24. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom 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 auditors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 5, 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 (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

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

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Directors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Directors' Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF A. BILBROUGH & CO. LIMITED continued

### **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 20 February 2015 and of its 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.

### Opinion on other matter(s) prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion 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.

### 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 require 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.

Michael Butler, Senior Statutory Auditor

For and on behalf of Moore Stephens LLP, Statutory Auditor

150 Aldersgate Street London EC1A 4AB

✓ November 2015

A. BILBROUGH & CO. LIMITED

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 20 FEBRUARY 2015

	Note	2015	2014
Turnover	2	£ 12,033,417	£ 11,864,979
Other Income		101,100	52,475
Staff costs	3	(8,832,797)	(8,651,774)
Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible fixed assets	1(d)	(478,834)	(409,692)
Other operating charges		(1,527,266)	(1,540,748)
Operating profit		1,295,620	1,315,240
Other interest receivable and similar income		67	30,077
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(490,000)	(609,001)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	n	805,687	736,316
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	(217,600)	(203,509)
Profit on ordinary activities after tax		588,087	532,807
Transfer to cumulative preference share reserve		(9,000)	(9,000)
Retained profit for the financial year	13	579,087	523,807
Statement of total recognised gains and lo	osses for t	the year ended 20 Feb	oruary 2015
		2015 £	2014 £
Retained profit for the financial year Pension actuarial (losses)/gains recognised Deferred tax	17	579,087 (5,106,000) 1,021,200	523,807 (2,492,000) 498,400
Total recognised (losses)/gains relating to the year		(3,505,713)	(1,469,793)

The notes on pages 12 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

## **BALANCE SHEET AT 20 FEBRUARY 2015**

	Note	20	15	20	)14
ASSETS		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	8	1,178,661		1,011,987	
Investments	9	25,977		24,023	
	_	,	1,204,638		1,036,010
Current Assets					
Debtors	10	525,315		896,077	
Cash at bank and in hand	_	227,072	_	147,869	
			752,387		1,043,946
Debtors: amounts due after	more				
than one year					
Deferred tax asset	16		<u> </u>		561
			1,957,025		2,080,517
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Capital and Reserves					
Called up share capital	12		270,000		270,000
Pensions reserve	13		(13,920,707)		(10,476,655)
Cumulative preference share reserve	13		90,000		81,000
Profit and loss account	13		733,624		795,285
Equity Shareholders' Funds	14	_	(12,827,083)		(9,330,370)
Creditors: amounts falling due			•		•
within one year	11	803,733		934,232	
Provisions for liabilities and o	harges				
Deferred tax liability	16	59,668		-	
Total liabilities before pensions	- liability	863,401		934,232	
Pensions liability	17	13,920,707		10,476,655	
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Total liabilities after pensions lia	- ibility		14,784,108		11,410,887
		_	1,957,025	•	2,080,517
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I.E. GOOCH		A.G. JONES			
Director		Director			

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The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on The notes on pages 12 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

November 2015.

# **CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 20 FEBRUARY 2015**

	Note	2015 £	2014 £
Net cash inflow from operating activities	Note	1,061,627	883,612
Returns on investments and servicing of finance	2(i)	(489,933)	(578,924)
Taxation		1,733	(65,742)
Capital expenditure	2(ii)	(646,982)	(486,476)
Decrease in Cash	3	(73,555)	(247,530)

# NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 20 FEBRUARY 2015

# 1. Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash inflow from operating activities

	2015	2014
	£	£
Operating profit	1,295,620	1,315,240
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes	(1,954)	2,917
Depreciation	478,834	415,249
Profit/ Loss on disposal of fixed assets	1,474	(5,557)
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors	375,422	(431,010)
(Decrease)/Increase in creditors	(286,835)	260,741
Effect of pension liability movements	(800,934)	(673,968)
Net cash inflow from operating		· · ·
activities	1,061,627	883,612

# NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 20 FEBRUARY 2015 continued

2.	Gross cash flows			
(i)	Returns on investments and servi	cing of finance	2015 £	2014 £
	Interest received		67	-
	Dividend received		-	1,935
	Investment return		-	28,142
	Investment charges Interest paid		(490,000)	(609,000) (1)
			(489,933)	(578,924)
(ii)	Capital expenditure		2015 £	2014 £
	Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(646,982)	(500,971)
	Sale of tangible fixed assets		-	14,495
			(646,982)	(486,476)
3.	Analysis of changes in net debt			
		At 20.02.2014	Cash flows	At 20.02.2015
		£	£	£
	sh at bank	147,869	79,203	227,072
Ove	erdrafts	(39,125)	(152,758)	(191,883)
Tota	al	108,744	(73,555)	35,189

# NOTES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 20 FEBRUARY 2015

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### (a) Basis of preparaton of financial statements

The financial statements set out on pages 8 to 24 have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

### (b) Revenue recognition

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable in the normal course of business, net of discounts and VAT where applicable.

### (c) Other Operating Income

Rental income receivable under the sub-leases of an operating lease is recognised on a straight-line basis over the period of the sub-leases.

#### (d) Depreciation

**Tangible Assets** 

Depreciation is provided on all tangible assets. The rates used are estimated to write off the cost of each asset, less its anticipated residual value, by annual instalments over its expected useful life as follows:

Computer hardware and software 25% or 50% per annum straight line or development costs 25% per annum reducing balance

Furniture and equipment 12.5%, 20% or 25% per annum straight line

Motor vehicles 25% per annum reducing balance

### (e) Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities dominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rate ruling at the balance sheet date. All differences are taken to the the profit and loss account.

### (f) Operating leases

Operating lease rentals are accounted for as they arise. Future commitments to operating leases are not provided for.

# NOTES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 20 FEBRUARY 2015 continued

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

## (g) Deferred taxation

Deferred tax is provided in full on timing differences which result in an obligation at the balance sheet date to pay more tax, or a right to pay less tax, at a future date, at rates that are expected to apply when they crystallise based on current tax rates and law. Timing differences arise from the inclusion of items of income and expenditure in taxation computations in periods different from those in which they are included in the financial statements. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is regarded as more likely than not that they will be recovered. 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.

#### (h) Pension costs

Pensions costs are accounted for in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 17 - Retirement benefits ('FRS17'). The fair value of the assets of the pension scheme, less the scheme liabilities measured on an actuarial basis using the projected units method, are reflected in the balance sheet. Actuarial gains and losses in the scheme are taken to the Pensions Reserve. Contributions made in the year reduce the pensions liability. Finance costs or income and current service costs are reflected in the profit and loss account.

The company also operates a defined contribution pension scheme for its employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from the company in independently administered funds for individual members of staff who have elected to participate in the scheme. The pension charge includes contributions payable by the company for the year. The company's liability on this pension scheme is limited to the amount of the contributions.

#### (i) Investments

Investments are recorded at historical cost.

# NOTES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 20 FEBRUARY 2015 continued

#### 2. TURNOVER

Turnover represents fees receivable from The London Steam-Ship Owners' Mutual Insurance Association Limited.

### 3. STAFF NUMBERS AND COSTS

The average number of persons employed by the company (including directors) during the year was as follows:

	2015	2014
Directors	6	6
Insurance and administration staff	94	93
	100	99

The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:

	2015 £	2014 £
Salaries	6,952,384	6,882,420
Other staff costs	349,665	391,981
Social security costs	641,166	662,739
Other pension costs	889,582	714,634
	8,832,797	8,651,774

With effect from 1 April 2011, the Rules of the company's defined benefit pension scheme were amended to cap pensionable salary increases to a maximum of 2% per annum.

## 4. PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION

The profit on ordinary activities before taxation is arrived at after charging:

	2015	2014
	£	£
Auditors' remuneration London - audit	29,750	29,750
London - tax	3,750	3,750
Hong Kong - audit	4,831	4,847
	38,331	38,347
Operating leases	471,232	530,574
And after crediting: Income from unlisted investments		1,935

# NOTES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 20 FEBRUARY 2015 continued

5.	DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS		-
		2015	2013
	For all and the Armed Allers and the Armed	£	£
	Emoluments (excluding pension costs)	1,774,236	1,828,441
	Excess retirement benefits of past directors	29,017	26,454
	All directors are members of the comparcontribution pension schemes, numbers are a	•	it and/or defined
		2015	2014
	Defined benefit pension scheme	5	5
	Defined contribution pension scheme	4	4
	The above details include the following am director:	ounts in respect of	the highest paid
		2015	2014
		£	£
	Emoluments (excluding pension costs)	<u>384,163</u>	421,542
	At the end of the year the highest paid direct (2014: £153,456).	or had an accrued p	ension of £78,292
6.	INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARG	GES	
		2015	2014
		£	£
	Pension scheme	490,000	609,000
	Bank interest payable	-	1
		490,000	609,001

# NOTES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 20 FEBRUARY 2015 continued

TAXATION		
(a) Analysis of charge in period	2015	2014
	£	£
Current tax		
UK Corporation Tax on profits		
of the period	•	13,404
Overseas tax	6,295	31,222
Adjustments in respect of	(0.440)	E 040
previous periods	(9,110)	5,848
Total current tax	(2,815)	50,474
Deferred tax		
Origination and reversal of		40.044
timing differences	60,229	18,241
Pensions liability	160,186	134,794
Tax charge on profit on ordinary activities	217,600	203,509
(b) Factors affecting tax charge for period	· I	
The tax assessed for the period is the small		rporation tax in the
UK 20% (2014: 20%). The differences are 6		2044
	2015 £	2014 £
Drafit on ordinary activities before toy		
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	805,687	736,316
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied		
by the standard rate in the UK of	404 407	4.47.000
20% (2014: 20%)	161,137	147,263
Effects of:		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	26,265	11,520
Pension related costs	(160,186)	(134,794
Capital allowances for period in excess		
of depreciation	(36,615)	(10,585
Trading losses	9,399	•
Toy charge	<del></del>	12 404
Tax charge		13,404

# NOTES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 20 FEBRUARY 2015 continued

8.	FIXED ASSETS - Tangible	<b>e</b>			
		Total £	Computer Hardware & Software £	Motor Vehicles £	Furniture & Equipment
	Cost	۷	2	~	~
	At 20th February 2014	7,606,848	6,865,096	26,697	715,055
	Additions during the year Disposals during the year	646,982 (1,474)	266,167 -	-	380,815 (1,474)
	At 20th February 2015	8,252,356	7,131,263	26,697	1,094,396
	Depreciation				
	At 20th February 2014	6,594,861	6,189,288	4,371	401,202
	Charge for the year Disposals during the year	478,834 -	309,115 -	6,466 -	163,253 -
	At 20th February 2015	7,073,695	6,498,403	10,837	564,455
	Net book value at 20th February 2015	1,178,660	632,860	15,860	529,941
	Net book value at 20th February 2014	1,011,987	675,808	22,326	313,853
9.	INVESTMENTS				0044
			2015 £		2014 £
	Unlisted		25,977		24,023
			25,977	-	24,023

# NOTES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 20 FEBRUARY 2015 continued

10.	DE	BTORS: Amounts falling due wit	thin one year	
			2015	2014
			£	£
	Tra	de debtors	264,051	• 651,913
	Oth	ner debtors	158,538	146,060
	Tax	debtors	4,660	3,578
	Pre	payments and accrued income	98,066	98,104
			525,315	899,655
11.	CR	EDITORS: Amounts falling due v	within one year	
			2015	2014
			£	£
	Bar	nk overdrafts	191,883	39,125
	Tra	de Creditors	3,916	-
	Oth	er creditors	14,493	5,251
	Tax	cation	•	-
	Soc	cial Security	114,124	376,594
	Acc	cruals and deferred income	479,317	516,840
			803,733	937,810
12.	SH	ARE CAPITAL		
			2015	2014
			£	£
	a)	Authorised, allotted, issued and		
	,	fully paid up management		
		shares of £1 each	150,000	150,000
	b)	Authorised, allotted, issued and		
	,	fully paid up 'A' shares of		
		£1 each	120,000	120,000

The 'A' shares rank pari passu with the management shares in all respects save that:

- i) The holders of the 'A' shares have a prior right to a cumulative dividend at the rate of 7.5 pence per share per annum; and
- ii) The holders of the 'A' shares have no right to attend or vote at general meetings unless payment of their dividend is in arrears.

During the year transactions in the Company's management shares took place between the Directors at a price of £2.50 per share determined by the Articles of Association, under which the Directors exercised their discretion to allocate 42,000 shares. The Company considers the price to be a fair value for the shares transferred having regard to there being no immediate prospect of dividends being declared.

# NOTES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 20 FEBRUARY 2015 continued

13. RESERVES	·			·
			Cumulative	
		Pensions	Preference	
	Profit & Loss	Reserve	Share reserve	Total
	£	£	£	£
At 20 February 2014	795,285	(10,476,655)	81,000	(9,600,370)
Profit for the year ended				
20 February 2015	579,087	· -		579,087
Cumulative preference share reserve	-		9,000	9,000
Actuarial Loss on pensions liability		(4,084,800)	-	(4,084,800)
Transfer	(640,748)	640,748	-	•
At 20 February 2015	733,624	(13,920,707)	90,000	(13,097,083)

The requirement of FRS17 to make provision for net pension scheme liabilities has resulted in a £3,444,052 increase (2014: £1,454,426 increase) in the pensions liability at the year end.

The cumulative preference share reserve recognises the obligation of the company to pay the "A" shareholders dividends when distributable reserves are available.

### 14 RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	2015	2014
	£	£
Profit for the financial year	579,087	523,807
Actuarial gain/(loss)	(5,106,000)	(2,492,000)
Deferred tax	1,021,200	498,400
Cumulative preference share reserve	9,000	9,000
Net (decrease)/increase in shareholders' funds	(3,496,713)	(1,460,793)
Opening shareholders' funds	(9,330,370)	(7,869,577)
Closing shareholders' funds	(12,827,083)	(9,330,370)

# NOTES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 20 FEBRUARY 2015 continued

## 15. OPERATING LEASES

At 20 February 2015 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below.

	Operating leases to expir	Land and buildings 2015 £	Other 2015 £	Land and buildings 2014 £	Other 2014 £
	within one year in the second to fifth	-	642	-	4,685
	years inclusive more than five years	86,297 664,930	- 11,977	305,199 374,930	34,418 -
		751,227	12,619	680,129	39,103
16.	DEFERRED TAX (LIAB		2015 £		2014 £
	Accelerated capital allow	ances	(59,668)		561
	Asset arising on timing d	ifferences	(59,668)		561
	b) Analysis of movement	in asset			
	Asset at 21 February 20° Originating and reversing		561		18,802
	differences	, <del>.</del>	(60,229)		(18,241)
	Liability at 20 February 2	015	(59,668)		561

Deferred tax assets are recognised for short term timing differences where there is sufficient evidence of recoverability.

A deferred tax liability of £59,668 has been recognised at 20 February 2015 (2014: £561 asset) which relates to excess of capital allowances over depreciation charged at the balance sheet date.

# NOTES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 20 FEBRUARY 2015 continued

#### 17. PENSIONS

The company operates a defined benefit scheme in the UK. An actuarial valuation for the purposes of FRS 17 was carried out as at January 2011 using full data extract and updated to 20 February 2015 by a qualified independent actuary. Total contributions payable by the company therefore amounted to £1,906,934.34 (2014: £1,782,967.78) in

The principal assumptions used by the actuary in his valuation as at 20 February 2015 were as follows:

	At	At
	20.02.2015	20.02.2014
Discount rate	3.30%	4.30%
Expected long-term rate of return on Scheme assets	4.00%	4.50%
Increase in salaries	2.00%	2.00%
Inflation assumption (retail prices)	3.10%	3.40%
Inflation assumption (consumer prices)	2.10%	2.40%
Pension increases		
Pre April 1997 Pensionable Service	3.00%	3.00%
Pre April 2006/Post April 1997 Pensionable Service	3.10%	3.40%
Post April 2006 Pensionable Service	2.40%	2.40%

The inflation rates are based on gilt yield and Bank of England yield curves and investment return rates are based on historical rates of return. The discount rate is based on the rate of return of AA rated corporate bonds.

Contributions payable by the Company for the year ending 20 February 2016 are expected to total approximately £1,874,000

## **Employee Benefit Obligations**

The amounts recognised in the balance sheet as at 20 February 2015 are as follows:

	Value at				
	20.02.2015	20.02.2014	20.02.2013	20.02.2012	20.02.2011
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
Present value of scheme liabilities	(57,812)	(49,462)	(44,960)	(49,450)	(43,164)
Total market value of assets	40,409	36,364	33,680	34,778	32,938
Deficit in scheme	(17,403)	(13,098)	(11,280)	(14,672)	(10,226)
Related deferred tax asset	3,482	2,621	2,258	2,936	2,149
Net pension liability	(13,921)	(10,477)	(9,022)	(11,736)	(8,077)

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The amounts to be recognised in profit and loss for the year ending 20 February 2015 are as follows:

	2015 £000's	2014 £000's
Current service cost Interest on Scheme liabilities Expected return on Scheme assets Past service cost	616 2,134 (1,644)	500 2,165 (1,556)
Total operating charge	1,106	1,109
Actual return on Scheme assets	<u>3,701</u>	2,382

Changes in the present value of the Scheme liabilities for the year ending 20 February 2015 are as follows:

	2015 £000's	2014 £000's
Present value of Scheme liabilities at beginning of year	49,462	44,960
Current service cost	616	500
Employee contributions	69	92
Past service cost	-	-
Interest cost	2,134	2,165
Actuarial losses	7,163	3,318
Benefits paid	(1,632)	(1,573)
Present value of Scheme liabilities at end of year	57,812	49,462

Changes in the fair value of the Scheme assets for the year ending 20 February 2015 are as follows:

	2015 £000's	2014 £000's
Market value of Scheme assets at beginning of year	36,364	33,680
Expected return	1,644	1,556
Actuarial gains	2,057	826
Benefits paid	(1,632)	(1,573)
Contributions paid by the Company	1,907	`1,783 <sup>°</sup>
Employee contributions	69	92
Present value of Scheme assets at end of year	40,409	36,364

# NOTES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 20 FEBRUARY 2015 continued

#### 17. PENSIONS continued

The major categories of Scheme assets as a percentage of total Scheme assets for the year ending 20 February 2015 are as follows:

	2015	2014
Equities and Property	9%	8%
Absolute Return Fund	17%	15%
Real Return Fund	19%	22%
Bonds	54%	54%
Cash	1%	1%
Total	100%	100%

An analysis of amounts recognised in statement of total recognised gains and losses ('STRGL') for the year ending 20 February 2015 is as follows:

	2015 £000's	2014 £000's
Actual return less expected return on pension scheme assets Experience gains and losses arising on the scheme liabilities Changes in assumptions underlying the present value of	2,057 (145)	826 154
the scheme liabilities	(7,018)	(3,472)
Actuarial (loss)/gain recognised in STRGL	(5,106)	(2,492)

The cumulative amount of actuarial losses recognised in STRGL for the year ending 20 February 2015 is as follows:

	2015 £000's	2014 £000's
Cumulative actuarial loss at beginning of year Recognised during the year	(19,521) (5,106)	(17,029) (2,492)
Cumulative actuarial loss at end of year	(24,627)	(19,521)

The movement in deficit during the year ending 20 February 2014 is as follows:

	2015 £000's	2014 £000's
Deficit in scheme at beginning of the year	(13,098)	(11,280)
Expenses recognised in profit and loss	(1,106)	(1,109)
Contributions	1,907	1,783
Actuarial (loss)/gain	(5,106)	(2,492)
Deficit in scheme at end of the year	(17,403)	(13,098)

# NOTES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 20 FEBRUARY 2015 continued

#### 17. PENSIONS continued

Amounts for the current and previous four accounting periods are as follows:

	2015 £000's	2014 £000's	2013 £000's	2012 £000's	2011 £000's
Present value of Scheme liabilities	(57,812)	(49,462)	(44,960)	(49,450)	(43,164)
Market value of Scheme assets	40,409	36,364	33,680	34,778	32,938
Deficit in the Scheme Actual return less expected return	(17,403)	(13,098)	(11,280)	(14,672)	(10,226)
on Scheme assets Experience gains and losses arising	2,057	826	1,452	(965)	1,698
on Scheme liabilities Change in assumptions underlying the	(145)	154	1,003	(195)	890
present value of Scheme liabilities	(7,018)	3,472	306	(6,801)	(1,482)

#### 18. RELATED PARTIES

The company manages the Association under a management contract and the Association owns preference ('A') shares in the company. The preference shares are described in Note 12. The dividends on these shares are in arrears. During the year the company earned fees of £12,033,417 (2014: £11,864,979) from the Association. At the balance sheet date the Association owed the company £260,986 (2014: £648,534).