Registered number: 00764797

APPLE CORPS LIMITED

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2019



COMPANY INFORMATION

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GROUP STRATEGIC REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2019

Introduction

The directors present their strategic report for the year ended 31 January 2019.

Business review

The group continues to exploit audio, visual and ancillary activities mainly relating to The Beatles. Group turnover has decreased from £22.9 million to £18.6 million. Group profit for the year before taxation remaining similar at £5.5 million (2018 - £5.5 million). Group net assets have increased to £17.3 million (2018 - £15.5 million).

Principal risks and uncertainties

The directors consider that the principal risks and uncertainties faced by the group relate to the general state of the worldwide music industry and the protection of copyrights.

The directors confirm that, in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, they have considered and reviewed the provisions relating to the financial risk management and polices of the group. As a result of the review, the directors have concluded that the group will be able to continue funding its activities through its cash reserves, retained profits and cash flows from ongoing activities.

Financial key performance indicators

The directors consider turnover, profit and net assets to be the key performance indicators for the group.

This report was approved by the board and signed on its behalf.

Secretary

Date: 25/09/19

DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2019

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 January 2019.

Directors

The directors who served during the year were as follows:

Y O Lennon

O T Harrison

J L Eastman

B V Grakal

Results and dividends

The profit for the year, after taxation, amounted to £4,482,364 (2018 - £4,191,247).

Ordinary dividends of £3,100,000 (2018 - £6,000,000) were declared and paid during the year. The directors do not recommend a final dividend.

Future developments

The group will continue to develop opportunities relating to its principal business activities.

Directors and officers' liability insurance

The group maintains directors' and officers' liability insurance which gives appropriate cover for any legal action brought against its directors in respect of liabilities incurred as a result of their office, to the extent permitted by law. This insurance cover applied throughout the financial year ended 31 January 2019 and through to the date of this report.

Disclosure of information to auditors

So far as each person who was a director at the date of approving this report is aware, there is no relevant audit information, being information needed by the auditors in connection with preparing their report, of which the auditors are unaware. Having made enquiries of fellow directors and the group's auditors, each director has taken all the steps that he/she is obliged to take as a director in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

Post balance sheet events

There have been no significant events affecting the group since the year end.

Auditors

Under section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006, Sopher + Co LLP will be deemed to have been reappointed as auditors 28 days after these financial statements were sent to members or 28 days after the latest date prescribed for filing the accounts with the registrar, whichever is earlier.

DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2019

This report was approved by the board and signed on its behalf.

J V Jones Secretary

Date: 25/09/19

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2019

The directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, 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 applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 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 a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and the group 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 judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures
 disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the group will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and the group 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 the group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF APPLE CORPS LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Apple Corps Limited (the 'parent company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 31 January 2019, which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Consolidated and Company Statements of Financial Position, the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows, the Consolidated and Company Statement of Changes in Equity and the related notes, 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 Financial Reporting Standard 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 of the parent company's affairs as at 31 January 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 Auditors' 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 United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council'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's 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 Auditors' 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

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF APPLE CORPS LIMITED (CONTINUED)

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.

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 Group Strategic Report and the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Group Strategic Report and the Directors' Report have 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 group and the parent company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Group Strategic Report or the Directors' Report.

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

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the parent company, or returns adequate for our audit
 have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- 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.

Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement on page 4, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, 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.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF APPLE CORPS LIMITED (CONTINUED)

Auditors' 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 Auditors' 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 Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Auditors' Report.

Use of our 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 Auditors' 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.

Stephen Iseman FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of Sopher + Co LLP

Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditors

5 Elstree Gate Elstree Way Borehamwood Hertfordshire

WD6 1JD Date: 25/09/2015

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2019

| | Note | 2019 £ | 2018 £ |
|---|------|--------------|--------------|
| Turnover | | | |
| Group and share of joint ventures' turnover | | 36,554,042 | 40,170,610 |
| Less: share of joint ventures' turnover | | (17,951,975) | (17,264,467) |
| Group turnover | 4 | 18,602,067 | 22,906,143 |
| Administrative expenses | | (16,329,650) | (20,741,262) |
| Other operating income | 5 | 1,216,000 | 1,222,000 |
| Operating profit | 6 | 3,488,417 | 3,386,881 |
| Share of profit of joint venture | | 847,468 | 904,193 |
| Share of profit of associates | | 1,007,847 | 954,080 |
| Total operating profit | | 5,343,732 | 5,245,154 |
| Interest receivable and similar income | 10 | 132,783 | 212,327 |
| Interest payable and expenses | | (336) | - |
| Profit before taxation | | 5,476,179 | 5,457,481 |
| Tax on profit | 11 | (993,815) | (1,266,234) |
| Profit for the financial year | | 4,482,364 | 4,191,247 |
| Currency translation differences | | 375,008 | (460,687) |
| Total comprehensive income for the year | | 4,857,372 | 3,730,560 |
| | | | |

The notes on pages 13 to 27 form part of these financial statements.

All amounts relate to continuing operations.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 JANUARY 2019

| | Note | | 2019 £ | | 2018 £ |
|--|------|-------------|------------|--------------|------------|
| Fixed assets | | | | | |
| Intangible assets | 13 | | - | | - |
| Tangible assets | 14 | | 1,702,546 | | 1,720,108 |
| Investments | 15 | | 3,123,738 | | 3,482,753 |
| | | | 4,826,284 | | 5,202,861 |
| Current assets | | | | | |
| Debtors: amounts falling due within one year | 17 | 6,581,739 | | 5,464,182 | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | 13,991,697 | | 17,933,513 | |
| | | 20,573,436 | | 23,397,695 | |
| Current liabilities | | | | | |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | 18 | (7,836,341) | | (12,704,887) | |
| Net current assets | | | 12,737,095 | | 10,692,808 |
| Provisions for liabilities | | | | | , , |
| Deferred tax | 19 | | (259,502) | | (349,164) |
| Net assets | | | 17,303,877 | | 15,546,505 |
| Capital and reserves | | | | | |
| Called up share capital | 20 | | 100 | | 100 |
| Profit and loss account | | | 17,303,777 | | 15,546,405 |
| | | | 17,303,877 | | 15,546,505 |
| | | | | | |

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf by:

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J L Eastman Director

Date: 25/09/19

O T Harrison

Director

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APPLE CORPS LIMITED REGISTERED NUMBER:00764797

COMPANY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 JANUARY 2019

| Note | | 2019 £ | | 2018 £ |
|------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| | | | | |
| 13 | | - | | - |
| 14 | | 1,702,546 | | 1,720,108 |
| 15 | | 321,754 | | 326,534 |
| | | 2,024,300 | | 2,046,642 |
| | | | | |
| 17 | 5,799,278 | | 5,186,013 | |
| | 12,203,563 | | 15,546,530 | |
| | 18,002,841 | | 20,732,543 | |
| | | | | |
| 18 | (5,807,629) | | (11,265,222) | |
| | | 12,195,212 | | 9,467,321 |
| | | 14,219,512 | | 11,513,963 |
| | | | | |
| 20 | | 100 | | 100 |
| | | 14,219,412 | | 11,513,863 |
| | | 14,219,512 | | 11,513,963 |
| | 13 14 15 17 | 13 14 15 17 | Note £ 13 | Note £ 13 |

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J L Eastman Director

Date: 25/09/19

O T Harrison

Director

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2019

| | Called up share capital £ | Profit and loss account £ | Equity attributable to owners of parent company £ | Total equity |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--------------|
| At 1 February 2017 | 100 | 17,815,845 | 17,815,945 | 17,815,945 |
| Profit for the year | - | 4,191,247 | 4,191,247 | 4,191,247 |
| Currency translation differences | - | (460,687) | (460,687) | (460,687) |
| Dividends: Equity capital | - | (6,000,000) | (6,000,000) | (6,000,000) |
| At 1 February 2018 | 100 | 15,546,405 | 15,546,505 | 15,546,505 |
| Profit for the year | - | 4,482,364 | 4,482,364 | 4,482,364 |
| Currency translation differences | - | 375,008 | 375,008 | 375,008 |
| Dividends: Equity capital | - | (3,100,000) | (3,100,000) | (3,100,000) |
| At 31 January 2019 | 100 | 17,303,777 | 17,303,877 | 17,303,877 |

The notes on pages 13 to 27 form part of these financial statements.

COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2019

| share capital | | Total equity |
|---------------|-------------------------|--|
| 100 | 14,141,391 | 14,141,492 |
| - | 3,372,472 | 3,372,471 |
| - | (6,000,000) | (6,000,000) |
| 100 | 11,513,863 | 11,513,963 |
| - | 5,805,549 | 5,805,549 |
| - | (3,100,000) | (3,100,000) |
| 100 | 14,219,412 | 14,219,512 |
| | share capital £ 100 100 | share capital loss account £ £ 100 14,141,391 - 3,372,472 - (6,000,000) 100 11,513,863 - 5,805,549 - (3,100,000) |

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2019

| 2018 £ | 2019 £ | |
|-------------|-------------|--|
| _ | - | Cash flows from operating activities |
| 4,191,247 | 4,482,364 | Profit for the financial year |
| | | Adjustments for: |
| 49,362 | 63,133 | Depreciation of tangible assets |
| - | 51,079 | Loss on disposal of tangible assets |
| - | 336 | Interest paid |
| (212,327) | (132,783) | Interest received |
| 1,266,234 | 993,815 | Taxation charge |
| 168,109 | (1,163,816) | (Increase)/decrease in debtors |
| 2,630,169 | (5,000,993) | (Decrease)/increase in creditors |
| (904,193) | (847,468) | Share of operating profit in joint ventures |
| (954,080) | (1,007,847) | Share of operating profit in associates |
| (720,937) | (741,607) | Corporation tax paid |
| (308,546) | (394,002) | Foreign exchange |
| 5,205,038 | (3,697,789) | Net cash (used in) generated from operating activities |
| | | Cash flows from investing activities |
| (15,355) | (96,650) | Purchase of tangible fixed assets |
| 212,327 | 132,783 | Interest received |
| 1,445,585 | 2,235,956 | Dividends from associates and joint ventures |
| 1,642,557 | 2,272,089 | Net cash from investing activities |
| | | Cash flows used in financing activities |
| (6,000,000) | (3,100,000) | Dividends paid |
| - | (336) | Interest paid |
| (6,000,000) | (3,100,336) | Net cash used in financing activities |
| 847,595 | (4,526,036) | Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents |
| 16,931,643 | 17,933,513 | Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year |
| 154,275 | 584,220 | Foreign exchange gains and losses |
| 17,933,513 | 13,991,697 | Cash and cash equivalents at the end of year |
| | | Cash and cash equivalents at the end of year comprise: |
| 17,933,513 | 13,991,697 | Cash at bank and in hand |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2019

1. General information

Apple Corps Limited is a limited liability company incorporated in England and Wales with its business and registered office address at 27 Ovington Square, London, SW3 1LJ.

The group's principal activities during the year continued to be the exploitation of the audio, visual and ancillary activities relating to The Beatles.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland, and the Companies Act 2006.

The preparation of financial statements in compliance with FRS102 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires group management to exercise judgment in applying the company's accounting policies (see note 3).

The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

2.2 Basis of consolidation

The group financial statements consolidate the financial statements of Apple Corps Limited and its subsidiary undertakings, drawn up to 31 January each year. No company statement of comprehensive income is presented for Apple Corps Limited as permitted by section 408 of the Companies Act 2006.

Entities in which the group holds an interest on a long-term basis and are jointly controlled by the group and one or more other ventures under a contractual agreement are treated as joint ventures.

Entities other than subsidiary undertakings or joint ventures, in which the group has a participating interest and over whose operating and financial policies the group exercises a significant influence are treated as associates.

2.3 Associates and joint ventures

In the group financial statements, interests in associated undertakings and joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. Under this method an equity investment is initially recognised at the transaction price (including transaction costs) and is subsequently adjusted to reflect the investors share of the profit or loss, other comprehensive income and equity of the investee. The Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income includes the group's share of the operating results, interest, pre-tax results and attributable taxation of such undertakings applying accounting policies consistent with those of the group. In the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position, the interests in associated undertakings and joint ventures are shown as the group's share of the identifiable net assets.

2.4 Investments

In the parent company financial statements investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates are accounted for at cost.

The carrying values of fixed asset investments are reviewed for impairment if events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2019

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.5 Intangible assets

Intangible fixed assets acquired separately from a business are capitalised at cost. They are amortised on a straight line basis over their estimated useful life.

The carrying value of intangible fixed assets is reviewed for impairment at the end of the first full year following acquisition and in other periods if events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable.

2.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset evenly over its expected useful life, as follows:

Freehold buildings – over 50 years
Fixtures, fittings and equipment – over 4 years
Website costs – over 3 years

Freehold land is not depreciated. The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable.

2.7 Royalty income

Royalty income is accounted for on an accruals basis. Royalty audit claims are not booked as income until amounts arising from such claims are received by the group.

2.8 Returns

No provision is made for any reduction in royalties in subsequent periods as a result of the return of products sold in respect of which royalties would normally have been accounted for during the year. Any reductions are accounted for as a deduction from turnover in subsequent periods.

2.9 Debtors

Short term debtors are measured at the transaction price, less any impairment.

2.10 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash is represented by cash in hand and deposits with financial institutions repayable without penalty on sufficient notice agreed in advance.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2019

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.11 Financial instruments

The group only enters into basic financial instruments transactions that result in the recognition of financial assets and liabilities like trade and other accounts receivable and payable and investments in non-puttable ordinary shares.

Financial assets that are measured at cost and amortised cost are assessed at the end of each reporting period for objective evidence of impairment. If objective evidence of impairment is found, an impairment loss is recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

2.12 Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price.

2.13 Foreign currency translation

Functional and presentation currency

The group's functional and presentational currency is £ Sterling.

Transactions and balances

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. All differences are taken to the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income.

The financial statements of overseas subsidiary undertakings and joint ventures are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. The exchange differences arising on the retranslation of opening net assets are recognised in other comprehensive income. All other translation differences are taken to the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income.

2.14 Dividends

Interim equity dividends are recognised when paid. Final equity dividends are recognised when approved by the shareholders at an annual general meeting.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2019

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.15 Current and deferred taxation

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date in the countries where the group operates and generates income.

Deferred tax 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 that date that will result in an obligation to pay more, or a right to pay less, tax with the following exceptions:

- provision is made for deferred tax that would arise on remittance of the retained earnings of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures 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.

2.16 Operating leases: the group as lessee

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

2.17 Affiliated Undertakings

In the financial statements, companies are described as affiliated to Apple Corps Limited if:

- (i) they have the same shareholders or ultimate shareholders as Apple Corps Limited; or
- (ii) the company is owned by one or more of the shareholders of Apple Corps Limited.

2.18 Pensions

Defined contribution pension plan

The company operates a defined contribution plan for its employees. A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the company pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. Once the contributions have been paid the company has no further payment obligations.

The contributions are recognised as an expense in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income when they fall due. Amounts not paid are shown in accruals as a liability in the Statement of Financial Position. The assets of the plan are held separately from the company in independently administered funds.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2019

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.19 Provisions for liabilities

Provisions are made where an event has taken place that gives the group a legal or constructive obligation that probably requires settlement by a transfer of economic benefit, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

Provisions are charged as an expense to the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income in the year that the group becomes aware of the obligation, and are measured at the best estimate at the Statement of Financial Position date of the expenditure required to settle the obligation, taking into account relevant risks and uncertainties.

When payments are eventually made, they are charged to the provision carried in the Statement of Financial Position.

3. Significant judgements and estimates

In preparing these financial statements, the directors have made judgments to determine whether there are indicators of impairment of the group's investments. This involved estimation of future cash flows expected to be generated by these investments and the selection of appropriate discount rates in order to calculate the net present value of those cash flows.

4. Group turnover

Turnover represents income derived from the group's continuing ordinary activities, stated net of value added tax, and is accounted for on an accruals bases.

It is the opinion of the directors that, in view of the nature of the group's business, the markets in which it operates do not differ substantially from each other and are, therefore, treated as one market for the purposes of disclosing the particulars of turnover in these financial statements.

5. Other operating income

| | | 2019 £ | 2018 £ |
|----|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | Administration fees receivable | 1,216,000 | 1,222,000 |
| 6. | Operating profit | | |
| | This is stated after charging: | | |
| | | 2019 £ | 2018 £ |
| | Exchange differences | (616,904) | 631,757 |
| | Other operating lease rentals | 1,084 | 1,110 |
| | | | |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2019

| 7. | Auditors' remuneration | | |
|----|---|-----------|-----------|
| | Audit-related assurance services | 35,000 | 35,000 |
| | Fees payable to the group's auditor for taxation compliance services to the company | 43,952 | 43,952 |
| 8. | Directors' remuneration | | |
| | | 2019 £ | 2018 £ |
| | Fees | 800,000 | 800,000 |
| | Other emoluments | 123,391 | 123,851 |
| | | 923,391 | 923,851 |
| | | | |

The aggregate emoluments of the highest paid director amounted to £230,848 (2018 - £230,963).

9. Employees

Staff costs for the group and the company, were as follows:

| | 2019 £ | 2018 £ |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Wages and salaries | 2,581,052 | 2,761,109 |
| Social security costs | 249,618 | 279,056 |
| Cost of defined contribution scheme | 16,614 | 7,034 |
| | 2,847,284 | 3,047,199 |

The average monthly number of employees, including the directors, during the year was as follows:

| | Group | Group | Company | Company |
|----------------|-------|-------|---------|---------|
| | 2019 | 2018 | 2019 | 2018 |
| | No. | No. | No. | No. |
| Administration | 12 | 11 | 12 | 11 |

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| 10. | Interest receivable | | |
|-----|--|-----------|-----------|
| | | 2019 £ | 2018 £ |
| | Bank interest receivable | 132,244 | 49,315 |
| | Other interest | 539 | 163,012 |
| | | 132,783 | 212,327 |
| 11. | Taxation | | |
| | | 2019 £ | 2018 £ |
| | Corporation tax | | |
| | UK corporation tax on profit for the year | 763,759 | 793,255 |
| | Adjustments in respect of prior periods | (133) | 2,325 |
| | Double taxation relief | (3,788) | (34,818) |
| | Foreign tax | | |
| | Foreign tax on income for the year | 302,948 | 496,776 |
| | Foreign tax in respect of prior periods | 49,070 | - |
| | Total current tax Deferred tax | 1,111,856 | 1,257,538 |
| | Origination and reversal of timing differences | 26,314 | 8,696 |
| | Changes to tax rates | (144,355) | - |
| | Taxation on profit on ordinary activities | 993,815 | 1,266,234 |

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11. Taxation (continued)

Factors affecting tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year is lower than (2018 - higher than) the standard (2018 - composite rate) of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2018 - 19.2%). The differences are reconciled below:

| | 2019 £ | 2018 £ |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| Profit on ordinary activities before tax | 5,476,179 | 5,457,481 |
| Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard (2018 - composite) rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2018 - 19.2%) Effects of: | 1,040,474 | 1,046,517 |
| Expenses not deductible for tax purposes | 25,341 | 13,789 |
| Capital allowances for year (in excess of)/less than depreciation | (30,700) | 1,183 |
| Overseas tax rate in excess of UK rate | 27,804 | 202,420 |
| Prior year under provision | 48,937 | 2,325 |
| Movement in deferred tax | (118,041) | - |
| Total tax charge for the year | 993,815 | 1,266,234 |
| | | |

12. Parent company profit for the year

The parent company has taken advantage of section 408 of the Companies Act 2006 and has not included its own Statement of Comprehensive Income in these financial statements. The parent company's profit for the year was £5,805,549 (2018 - £3,372,472).

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13. Intangible assets Group and Company Trademarks £ Cost At 1 February 2018 518,067 At 31 January 2019 518,067 Amortisation At 1 February 2018 518,067 At 31 January 2019 518,067 Net book value

At 31 January 2019

At 31 January 2018

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14. Tangible fixed assets

Group and Company

| Freehold land and building £ | Fixtures, fittings and equipment £ | Website costs £ | Total £ |
|---------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|
| | | | |
| 2,385,367 | 198,245 | 30,518 | 2,614,130 |
| - | 96,650 | - | 96,650 |
| (75,809) | (24,640) | - | (100,449) |
| 2,309,558 | 270,255 | 30,518 | 2,610,331 |
| | | | |
| 694,149 | 169,355 | 30,518 | 894,022 |
| 36,092 | 27,041 | - | 63,133 |
| (24,729) | (24,641) | - | (49,370) |
| 705,512 | 171,755 | 30,518 | 907,785 |
| | | | |
| 1,604,046 | 98,500 | - | 1,702,546 |
| 1,691,218 | 28,890 | <u> </u> | 1,720,108 |
| | 2,385,367 - (75,809) 2,309,558 694,149 36,092 (24,729) 705,512 | land and building £ 2,385,367 | land and building equipment £ £ £ £ £ £ £ £ £ £ £ £ £ £ £ £ £ £ £ |

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15.

Group

Fixed asset investments

| | Investments in | Investment in joint | Tatal |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|
| | associates £ | ventures £ | Total £ |
| Cost or valuation | | | |
| At 1 February 2018 | 859,405 | 2,623,348 | 3,482,753 |
| Foreign exchange movement | | 213,227 | 213,227 |
| Dividends received | (704,000) | (1,531,956) | (2,235,956) |
| Share of profit | 816,246 | 847,468 | 1,663,714 |
| At 31 January 2019 | 971,651 | 2,152,087 | 3,123,738 |
| Net book value | | | |
| At 31 January 2019 | 971,651 | 2,152,087 | 3,123,738 |
| At 31 January 2018 | 859,405 | 2,623,348 | 3,482,753 |
| Company | | | |
| | Investments | Investments in | |
| | in subsidiary companies £ | associates £ | Total £ |
| | | | |

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16. Subsidiary undertakings and participating interests

The following were subsidiary undertakings of the company:

Direct subsidiary undertakings

| Name | Country of | Holding | Principal activity |
|----------------------|---------------|----------|------------------------------|
| | incorporation | notality | rinicipal activity |
| Apple Corps Inc. | USA | 100 % | Intermediate holding company |
| Apple Show Inc. | USA | 100 % | Intermediate holding company |
| Python Music Limited | UK | 100 % | Dormant |

During the year the company's wholly owned subsidiary, Apple Corps SA, was liquidated.

All shareholdings are ordinary shares or common stock.

Indirect Subsidiary undertakings

| Name | Country of incorporation F | lolding | Principal activity |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|---------|------------------------------------|
| Apple Records Inc. (California) | USA | 100 % | Exploitation of musical copyrights |
| Apple Records Inc. (New York) | USA | 100 % | Dormant |
| Apple Music Publishing Inc. | USA | 100 % | Dormant |
| Apple Films Inc. | USA | 100 % | Exploitation of film copyrights |

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16. Subsidiary undertakings and participating interests (continued)

Joint ventures

| Name | Country of incorporation | Holding | Principal activity Creation of musical |
|--|--------------------------|---------|--|
| The Cirque Apple Creation Partnership+ | | 50 % | performances |
| Cirque Apple Las Vegas, L.L.C.*+ | USA | 50 % | Producing and presenting live shows |

⁺ Year ended 31 December 2018

The address of The Cirque Apple Creation Partnership is 27 Ovington Square, London SW3 1LJ.

The principal place of business of Cirque Apple Las Vegas L.L.C is 6775 Edmond Street, Suite 300, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89118, USA.

Associates

| Name | Class of shares | Holdir | ıg | Principal activity |
|-------------------------|---------------------|--------|----|---|
| Maclen (Music) Limited+ | 'C' ordinary shares | 20 | % | Holding company |
| Maclen Joint Limited+ | Ordinary shares | 20 | % | Exploitation of music rights |
| Subafilms Limited+ | Ordinary shares | 23.9 | % | Marketing, production and distribution of films |

Maclen Joint Limited is held by an associated undertaking.

17. Debtors

| | Group 2019 £ | Group 2018 £ | Company 2019 £ | Company 2018 £ |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Amounts owed by group undertakings | - | • | 247,131 | 459 |
| Amounts owed by joint ventures, associated and affiliated undertakings | 744,394 | 841,901 | 494,062 | 581,708 |
| Other debtors | 230,958 | 17,840 | 230,958 | 17,840 |
| Prepayments and accrued income | 5,606,387 | 4,604,441 | 4,827,127 | 4,586,006 |
| | 6,581,739 | 5,464,182 | 5,799,278 | 5,186,013 |
| | | | | |

^{*} Held by a subsidiary undertaking.

⁺ Year ended 31 December 2018

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| 18. | Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year | |
|-----|--|--|

| | Group 2019 | Group 2018 | Company 2019 | Company 2018 |
|---|---------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Amounts owed to group undertakings | - | - | 734 | 679 |
| Amounts owed to associated undertakings | 1,143,391 | 1,032,639 | 110,752 | - |
| Amounts owed to affiliated undertakings | 849,212 | 349,684 | - | - |
| Corporation tax | 296,541 | 117,834 | 251,418 | 117,125 |
| Other taxation and social security | 34,216 | 603,396 | 34,216 | 603,396 |
| Accruals and deferred income | 5,512,981 | 10,601,334 | 5,410,509 | 10,544,022 |
| | 7,836,341 | 12,704,887 | 5,807,629 | 11,265,222 |

19. Deferred taxation

Group

| | L |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| | |
| At beginning of year | 349,164 |
| Credited to profit or loss | (118,041) |
| Foreign exchange movement | 28,379 |
| At end of year | 259,502 |
| | |

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At end of year

The provision for deferred taxation is made up as follows:

| | Group | Group |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------|
| | 2019 | 2018 |
| | £ | £ |
| Accelerated capital allowances | 259,502 | 349,164 |
| | | |

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| 20. | Share capital | | |
|-----|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | Allested collections and falles and | 2019 £ | 2018 £ |
| | Allotted, called up and fully paid | | |
| | 100 Ordinary shares of £1.00 each | 100 | 100 |

21. Contingent liabilities

The group and company are involved in various legal disputes in the ordinary course of business and, as at 31 January 2019, the directors are of the opinion that none of the claims or disputes of which they are aware will result in a material loss to the group or company.

22. Pension commitments

The company operates a defined contributions pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the fund and amounted to £16,614 (2018 - £7,034).

23. Related party transactions

Amounts charged to the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income include aggregate fees of £2,910,000 each (2018 - £3,490,250) payable to the beneficial shareholders (Sir JP McCartney, Sir R Starkey, Mrs YO Lennon and Mrs OT Harrison) and their related companies in connection with the provision of promotional services and name and likeness rights. At the balance sheet date, the company owed £5,111,600 (2018 - £8,671,600) to the shareholders and their related companies.

24. Key management compensation

During the year, the company paid compensation of £2,264,386 (2018 - £2,500,796) to its key management personnel.