

PHOENIX & LONDON ASSURANCE LIMITED

Company Registration Number: 894616

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
for the year ended 31 December 2019



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Directors' report

The Directors present their Report and Financial Statements of Phoenix & London Assurance Limited ("the Company") for the year ended 31 December 2019.

The Company is incorporated in the United Kingdom. Its registration number is 894616 and its registered office is 1, Wythall Green Way, Wythall, Birmingham B47 6WG.

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union ("IFRS") as they apply to the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2019, and applied in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

Business review

Principal activities

The Company has not traded during the year.

Result and dividends

There was no comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2019 (2018: £nil) and the Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2018: £nil).

Principal risks and uncertainties

There are no principal risks or uncertainties as the Company does not have any assets or liabilities other than share capital, capital contribution reserve and retained earnings.

Post balance sheet date, the unfolding of the Covid-19 pandemic crisis has not exposed the Company to any heightened operational or financial risks.

Key Performance Indicators ("KPIs")

As the Company is dormant and has not traded during the year, the Directors are of the opinion that analysis using KPIs is not necessary for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business.

Directors

The names of those individuals who served as Directors of the Company during the year or who held office as at the date of signature of this report are as follows:

A Moss
R Sheriff

Secretary

Pearl Group Secretariat Services Limited acted as Secretary throughout the year.

Disclosure of indemnity

Qualifying third party indemnity arrangements (as defined in section 234 of the Companies Act 2006) were in force for the benefit of the Directors of the Company during the year and remain in place at the date of approval of this report.

Auditor

The financial statements have not been audited as the Company is entitled to the exemption provided by section 480 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to dormant companies and no notice under section 476(1) has been deposited at the Company's registered office requiring the Company to obtain an audit of the financial statements.

On behalf of the Board

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K McDermott
For and on behalf of Pearl Group Secretariat Services Limited
Company Secretary

8 September 2020

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Statement of Directors' responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the Company financial statements ("the financial statements") in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and regulations.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under the law the Directors have elected to prepare those statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union ("IFRS"). Under company law, the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they present fairly the financial performance, financial position and cash flows of the Company for the accounting period. A fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with IFRS requires the Directors to:

- select suitable accounting policies in accordance with IAS 8: *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors* and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- present information, including accounting policies, in a manner that provides relevant, reliable, comparable and understandable information;
- provide additional disclosures when compliance with the specific requirements in IFRS is insufficient to enable users to understand the impact of particular transactions, other events and conditions on the Company's financial position and financial performance;
- state that the Company has complied with applicable IFRS, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

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

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Statement of financial position
 as at 31 December 2019

	Notes	As at 31 December 2019 £m	As at 31 December 2018 £m
Total assets		-	-
Equity attributable to owners			
Share capital	4	81	81
Capital contribution reserve	5	48	48
Retained earnings		(129)	(129)
Total equity		-	-
Total equity and liabilities		-	-

For the year ended 31 December 2019 the Company is entitled to exemption under section 480 of the Companies Act 2006 ("the Act") relating to dormant companies.

The members have not required the Company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act (which permits 10% of members to make such a request).

The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

On behalf of the Board

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R Sheriff
Director

8 September 2020

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Notes to the financial statements

1. Accounting policies

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis.

The Directors do not consider the Company to be a going concern as there is an intention to liquidate and that the financial statements as prepared are not materially different from those prepared on a break-up basis.

Statement of compliance

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union ("IFRS") as they apply to the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2019, and applied in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are presented in sterling (£) rounded to the nearest £m except where otherwise stated.

Assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the statement of financial position only when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liability simultaneously.

(b) Share capital and capital contributions

Ordinary share capital

The Company has issued ordinary shares which are classified as equity.

Capital contributions

Capital contributions received by the Company and which contain no agreement for their repayment are recognised directly in the statement of changes in equity as a distributable reserve.

(c) Events after the reporting period

The financial statements are adjusted to reflect significant events that have a material effect on the financial results and that have occurred between the period end and the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue, provided they give evidence of conditions that existed at the period end. Events that are indicative of conditions that arise after the period end that do not result in an adjustment to the financial statements are disclosed.

2. Financial information

The financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019, set out on pages 4 to 6, were authorised by the Board of Directors for issue on 8 September 2020. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted for use by the European Union ("IFRSs").

There have been no transactions during the current or prior year and therefore no statement of comprehensive income and no statement of changes in equity have been prepared.

The Company held no cash balances during the current or prior year and accordingly no statement of cash flows has been prepared.

The financial statements have not been affected by any new standards, amendments or interpretations effective from 1 January 2019.

3. Directors' remuneration

The Directors are employed by another Group Company. The Directors received no remuneration in respect of their services to the Company (2018: £nil).

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4. Share capital

	2019	2018
	£m	£m
Issued and fully paid: 81,000,000 (2018: 81,000,000) ordinary shares of £1 each	81	81

The Company's Articles of Association contain a restriction on the number of shares that may be allotted.

The holders of the ordinary shares are entitled to one vote per share on matters to be voted on by owners and to receive such dividends, if any, as may be declared by the Board of Directors in its discretion out of legally available profits.

5. Capital contribution reserve

	2019	2018
	£m	£m
At 1 January and 31 December	48	48

6. Related party transactions***Key management compensation***

The total compensation payable to employees classified as key management, which comprises the Directors, is disclosed in note 3.

During the year to 31 December 2019, key management, which comprise the Directors and other family members, had no transactions with the Company.

Parent and ultimate parent entity

Information on the Company's parent and ultimate parent is given in note 8.

7. Events after the reporting date

Post balance sheet date, the unfolding of Covid-19 pandemic crisis is affecting both economic and financial markets and there are numerous challenges associated with the resulting economic conditions. These include increased financial market volatility, liquidity concerns and government intervention. The Phoenix Group, of which the Company is a member, has instituted a program of actions to mitigate the financial and operational risks associated with the impacts of Covid-19.

In line with the Financial Reporting Council guidance issued in March 2020, the Company considers Covid-19 to be a *non-adjusting post balance sheet event*. The Directors considered the possible impacts of the Covid-19 pandemic and do not consider there to be any impact on the operational or financial position of the Company.

8. Other information

The Company's principal place of business is the United Kingdom. The Company's immediate parent is Pearl Life Holdings Limited, and its ultimate parent is Phoenix Group Holdings plc, a company incorporated in England and Wales. A copy of the financial statements of Phoenix Group Holdings plc can be obtained from the Company Secretary, Juxon House, 100 St Paul's Churchyard, London, EC4M 8BU or www.thephoenixgroup.com.