Annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2012



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Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2012

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2012

Principal activities

The principal activity of the company continues to be the operation of bus services

Business review

Trading is in line with expectations against the backdrop of a very difficult economic environment. The directors remain confident that the company will continue to trade in line with expectations in the future.

The directors consider the state of the company's affairs to be satisfactory and there have been no material changes since the balance sheet date

The company did not pay a dividend during the year (2011 £Nil)

Results.

The loss for the year, after taxation, amounted to £4,021,000 (2011 - loss £2,040,000)

Directors

The directors who served during the year, and up to the date of signing the financial statements, were

P J Batty

R A Bowler

J E Quantrell

R Scowen

I R Tarran

A P Ward

M D J Yexley

R S Saund (appointed 19 December 2012)

Principal risks and uncertainties

The management of the business and the execution of the company's strategy are subject to a number of risks. The key business risks and uncertainties affecting the company are considered to relate to local and national competition and factors which would cause a decline in the market. Further discussion of these risks and uncertainties in the context of the group as a whole, is provided in the annual report of Arriva ple which does not form part of this report.

Financial risk management objectives and policies

Details of financial risk management objectives and policies are shown in the annual report of the UK intermediate parent company, Arriva plc, which does not form part of this report

Key performance indicators

The directors of Deutsche Bahn AG manage the group's operations on a divisional basis. For this reason, the company's directors believe that analysis using key performance indicators for the company is not necessary or appropriate for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business of Arriva London South Limited. The development performance and position of the group, including this company, is discussed in the group's annual report which does not form part of this report.

Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2012

Policy on the payment of creditors

The company's policy regarding the payment of suppliers is to agree terms of payment at the start of business with each supplier to ensure that the supplier is made aware of the payment terms, and to pay in accordance with its contractual or legal obligations. There are no trade creditors at the year end (2011 Nil)

Employee involvement

The company recognises that its employees are key to its success and is committed to creating a working environment where everyone has the opportunity to learn, develop and contribute to the success of the company, working within a common set of values

The company continues to aim to be an employer of choice and to employ a diverse workforce with the skills, abilities and attitudes to meet business objectives and needs. The company's aim is to provide appropriate remuneration, benefits and conditions of employment which will serve to attract, retain, motivate and reward such employees.

The company has, subject to the restraints of commercial confidentiality, continued its policy of employee involvement, by making information available to employees on a regular basis regarding recent and probable future developments and business activities

Disabled employees

The company continues to give full and fair consideration to applications for employment by disabled persons, having regard to their respective aptitudes and abilities. The company's policy includes, where applicable, the continued employment of those who may become disabled during their employment.

Directors' responsibilities statement

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 prepared the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law) Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the 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 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 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 for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2012

Provision of information to auditors

Each of the persons who are directors at the time when this Directors' report is approved has confirmed that

- so far as that director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware,
 and
- that director has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a director in order to be aware of any information needed by the company's auditors in connection with preparing their report and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information

This report was approved by the board on 5 July 2013 and signed on its behalf

E A Davies

Company secretary

Independent auditors' report to the members of Arriva London South Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Arriva London South Limited for the year ended 31 December 2012 which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet and the related notes. 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)

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement set out on page 2, 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 Ethical Standards for Auditors

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing

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

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 31 December 2012 and of its loss 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 prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

Independent auditors' report to the members of Arriva London South Limited

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 requires 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 Teffray

Michael Jeffrey (Senior statutory auditor)

for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors

89 Sandyford Road Newcastle upon Tyne NEI 8HW

25 September 2013

Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 2012

	Note	2012 £000	2011 £000
TURNOVER	1,2	108,831	113,445
Cost of sales		(100,601)	(101,051)
GROSS PROFIT		8,230	12,394
Administrative expenses '		(13,536)	(15,243)
Other operating income		-	49
OPERATING LOSS	3	(5,306)	(2,800)
Interest receivable and similar income	6	158	291
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		(5,148)	(2,509)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	7	1,127	469
LOSS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	15	(4,021)	(2,040)

All amounts relate to continuing operations

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2012 or 2011 other than those included in the profit and loss account Therefore, no statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented

There is no material difference between the loss on ordinary activities before taxation and the loss for the financial year stated above, and their historical cost equivalents

The notes on pages 8 to 16 form part of these financial statements

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Balance sheet as at 31 December 2012

	Note	£000	2012 £000	£000	2011 £000
FIXED ASSETS					
Intangible assets	8		1,439		1,679
Tangible assets	9		2,602		2,282
		=	4,041	-	3,961
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	10	547		596	
Debtors	11	20,771		25,473	
Cash at bank and in hand		2		2	
	_	21,320	-	26,071	
CREDITORS amounts falling due within one year	12	(14,777)		(15,427)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS	_		6,543		10,644
NET ASSETS		_	10,584	<u>-</u>	14,605
CAPITAL AND RESERVES		_		_	
Called up share capital	14		3,992		3,992
Share premium account	15		3,991		3,991
Profit and loss account	15	_	2,601	_	6,622
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	16	=	10,584	=	14,605

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on 5 July 2013

R S Saund Director

The notes on pages 8 to 16 form part of these financial statements

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2012

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

These financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis, under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies reporting under UK GAAP, and applicable accounting standards in the United Kingdom. The principal accounting policies, which have been applied consistently throughout the year, are set out below.

1.2 Cash flow statement

The company, being a subsidiary undertaking where 90% or more of the voting rights are controlled within the group whose consolidated financial statements are publicly available, is exempt from the requirement to draw up a cash flow statement in accordance with FRS 1

1.3 Turnover

Turnover consists of the gross revenue for road passenger transport together with the aggregate amounts receivable for other goods and services supplied in the ordinary course of the business, excluding value added tax. Income is accrued where it is earned in an earlier period to that in which it is billed or received in cash Income is deferred where it is received in an earlier period than that to which it relates

1.4 Intangible fixed assets and amortisation

Intangible fixed assets, which relate to licences for the use of the Arriva brand name, are being amortised through the profit and loss account over the licence period of 15 years

15 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Cost includes the original purchase price of the asset and the costs attributable to bringing the asset to its working condition for its intended use. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases.

Plant, machinery, fixtures and motor - 10% to 48% straight line vehicles

Public service vehicles - straight line over periods up to 15 years

16 Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Where assets are financed by leasing agreements ('finance leases') the assets are included in the balance sheet at cost less depreciation in accordance with the company's normal accounting policies. The present value of future rentals is shown as a liability. The interest element of rental obligations is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease in proportion to the balance of capital repayments outstanding. Assets held under finance leases are depreciated over their estimated useful life or the term of the lease, whichever is the shorter.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged in the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the lease term

Where assets are leased out under a finance lease arrangement any amounts due from the lessee are recorded in the balance sheet as a debtor at the amount of the net investment in the lease. Finance lease income under the finance lease is allocated to accounting periods so as to give a constant periodic rate of return on the net cash investment in the lease each period.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2012

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1.7 Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving stocks. Cost includes all direct costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

1.8 Deferred taxation

Full provision is made for deferred tax assets and liabilities arising from all timing differences between the recognition of gains and losses in the financial statements and recognition in the tax computation

A net deferred tax asset is recognised only if it can be regarded as 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 assets and liabilities are calculated at the tax rates expected to be effective at the time the timing differences are expected to reverse

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted

1.9 Pensions

Arriva plc operates retirement benefit schemes, both defined benefit and defined contribution schemes, which cover employees of the company. The assets of the defined benefit scheme are held separately from those of the company in independently administered funds. As the company is unable to identify its share of the assets and liabilities of the group scheme, it accounts for contributions as if they were to a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable by the company are charged to the profit and loss account in the period in which they fall due. Contributions payable under the defined contribution scheme are charged to the profit and loss account as they arise.

1.10 Dividends

Dividend distributions to the company's shareholders are recognised in the company's financial statements in the period in which the dividends are paid

2 TURNOVER

The whole of the turnover is attributable to the company's principal activity

All turnover arose within the United Kingdom

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2012

3.	OPERATING LOSS		
	The operating loss is stated after charging		
		2012 £000	2011 £000
	Amortiostica, interestillo conte		
	Amortisation - intangible assets Depreciation of tangible assets	240	240
	- owned by the company	358	243
	- held under hire purchase agreements	149	161
	Operating lease rentals		
	- plant and machinery	10,419	9,548
	- land and buildings	140	2,148
	During the year, no director received any emoluments in respect of their serv	rices to the company (20	II - £NIL)
4.	AUDITORS' REMUNERATION		
		2012	2011
		£000	£000
	Fees payable to the company's auditor for the audit of the company's		
	financial statements	6	6
5.	STAFF COSTS		
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	Staff costs were as follows		
		2012	2011
		£000	£000
	Wages and salaries	60,834	64,760
	Social security costs	6,045	6,411
	Other pension costs (note 17)	1,420	1,538
		68,299	72,709
	The average monthly number of employees, including the directors, during the	ne year was as follows	
		2012	2011
		No.	No
	Drivers	1,509	1,644
	Engineering Administrative	134	149
	Administrative	163	126
		1,806	1,919
			

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2012

	2012 £000	2011 £000
Finance lease interest receivable Bank interest receivable	8 150	12 279
	158	291
7. TAX ON LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES		
THE ON BOSS ON GREEN MET NOTIFIED		2044
	2012 £000	2011 £000
Analysis of tax credit in the year		
Current tax (see note below)		
UK corporation tax credit on loss for the year Adjustments in respect of prior years	(1,179) 1	(1,101) 586
Total current tax	(1,178)	(515)
Deferred tax		
Origination and reversal of timing differences Adjustments in respect of prior years	58 (7)	613 (567)
Total deferred tax (see note 13)	51	46
Total tax on loss on ordinary activities	(1,127)	(469) ————
Total tax on loss on ordinary activities Factors affecting tax charge for the year	(1,127)	(469)
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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2012

7. TAX ON LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES (continued)

Factors that may affect future tax charges

During 2012 the Chancellor announced that the UK Corporation Tax rate applicable from 1 April 2013 would be 23%, and that the UK Corporation Tax rate applicable from 1 April 2014 would be 21%

On 20 March 2013 the Chancellor made a further announcement that the UK Corporation Tax rate applicable from 1 April 2015 would be 20%

8. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Licences £000
Cost	
At 1 January 2012 and 31 December 2012	3,600
Accumulated amortisation	
At 1 January 2012 Charge for the year	1,921 240
At 31 December 2012	2,161
Net book value	
At 31 December 2012	1,439
	4.070
At 31 December 2011	1,679

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2012

9.	TANGIBLE ASSETS					
		Plant, machinery,				
		fixtures and	Public service			
		motor vehicles	vehicles	Total		
		£000	£000	£000		
	Cost	•				
	At 1 January 2012	2,202	3,091	5,293		
	Additions	812	140	952		
	Disposals	(214)	(800)	(1,014)		
	At 31 December 2012	2,800	2,431	5,231		
	Accumulated depreciation					
	At 1 January 2012	1,500	1,511	3,011		
	Charge for the year	179	328	507		
	Disposals	(170)	(719)	(889)		
	At 31 December 2012	1,509	1,120	2,629		
	Net book value					
	At 31 December 2012	1,291	1,311	2,602		
	At 31 December 2011	702	1,580	2,282		
	The net book value of assets held under finance leases or hire purchase contracts, included above, are as follows					
			2012	2011		
			£000	£000		
	Public service vehicles	_	153	381		
	The depreciation charged to the financial (2011 £161,000)	statements in the year in respect of	such assets amounted	d to £149,00		
• •	STOCKS					
10.	STOCKS		2012	2011		
			2012	ZUIT		

Raw materials and consumables

596

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2012

11.	DEBTORS		
		2012	2011
		£000	£000
	Trade debtors	3,509	2,887
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	7,511	12,704
	Group relief repayable Amounts receivable under finance leases	1,179 69	1,101 134
	Other debtors	95	112
	Prepayments and accrued income	7,763	7,839
	Deferred tax asset (see note 13)	645	696
		20,771	25,473
12.	CREDITORS:		
	Amounts falling due within one year		
	·	2012	2011 £000
		0002	
	Amounts owed to group undertakings Other creditors	8,915	10,473 3,303
	Accruals and deferred income	4,035 1,827	3,303 1,651
	Accidate and deferred meonic		1,001
		14,777	15,427
13.	DEFERRED TAX ASSET		
		2012	2011
		£000	£000
	At 1 January	696	742
	Charged for year (note 7)	(51)	(46)
	At 31 December	645	696
	The deferred tax asset is made up as follows		
	·		
		2012 £000	2011 £000
	Excess of depreciation of fixed assets over capital allowances Short term timing differences	632 13	696 -
		645	696
			

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2012

14.	CALLED-UP SHARE CAPITAL		
		2012 £000	2011 £000
	Authorised		
	15,000,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each (2011 15,000,000)	15,000	15,000
	Allotted and fully paid	•	
	3,992,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each (2011 3,992,000)	3,992	3,992
15.	RESERVES		
		Share premium account £000	Profit and loss account £000
	At 1 January 2012 Loss for the financial year	3,991	6,622 (4,021)
	At 31 December 2012	3,991	2,601
16.	RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		
		2012 £000	2011 £000
	Opening shareholders' funds	14,605	16,645
	Loss for the financial year	(4,021)	(2,040)
	Closing shareholders' funds	10,584	14,605

17. PENSION COMMITMENTS

At 31 December 2012 the UK intermediate parent company, Arriva plc, operated both defined benefit and defined contribution retirement benefit schemes providing benefits to certain employees within Arriva London South Limited. The schemes are financed through separate Trustee administered funds managed by independent professional fund managers on behalf of the Trustees.

Contributions to the defined benefit scheme, the Arriva London North and Arriva London South Pension Scheme, are based upon actuarial advice following the most recent actuarial valuation of the fund. The latest actuarial valuation was performed as at 5th April 2009, using the Projected Unit Method. The principal actuarial assumptions were that

- (1) the annual rate of return on investment would be 1 95 per cent higher than the annual increase in total pensionable remuneration of 3 95 per cent, and
- (11) there would be no variation from a scheme's rules to pensions in payment

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2012

17 PENSION COMMITMENTS (continued)

On the basis of these assumptions the actuarial value of the funds at 5th April 2009 was sufficient to cover 54 per cent of the benefits then accrued to members. The market value of the Scheme's assets at 5th April 2009 was £65 0 million.

The pension cost for the year represents contributions payable by the company to both schemes and amounts to £1,420,000 (2011 £1,538,000)

FRS 17 'Retirement benefits'

The company makes contributions to a defined benefit Scheme, the Arriva London North and Arriva London South Pension Scheme which is operated by the UK intermediate parent company, Arriva plc. Other companies within the Arriva group make contributions to the Scheme, therefore it is not possible for the company to identify its share of the underlying assets and liabilities as at 31 December 2012. As the company is unable to identify its share of the assets and liabilities of the group scheme, it accounts for contributions as if they were to a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable by the company are charged to the profit and loss account in the period in which they fall due.

18 OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

The company had annual commitments under other non-cancellable operating leases as follows

	2012	2011
	£000	£000
Expiry date:		
Between 2 and 5 years	7,558	8,163
After more than 5 years	875	173
	_ =	

19. ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING AND CONTROLLING PARTY

The ultimate parent company and ultimate controlling party is Deutsche Bahn AG, a company registered in Germany, which has prepared group financial statements incorporating the results of Arriva London South Limited Copies of these financial statements can be obtained from Potsdamer Platz 2, 10785 Berlin

Deutsche Bahn AG is the largest group to consolidate the financial statements and DB Mobility Logistics AG is the smallest

Information on Arriva London South Limited can be obtained from their registered address Admiral Way, Doxford International Business Park, Sunderland, Tyne and Wear, SR3 3XP

Transactions with other companies in the Deutsche Bahn Group are not specifically disclosed as the company has taken advantage of the exemption available under FRS 8 'Related party disclosures' for wholly-owned subsidiaries