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# Yorkshire Electricity Group plc

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

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## Yorkshire Electricity Group plc **Company Information**

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J C Riley **Company Secretary** 

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United Kingdom

## Yorkshire Electricity Group plc Strategic Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

The directors present their strategic report for the year ended 31 December 2022 for Yorkshire Electricity Group plc (the "Company").

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW**

The Company is part of the Northern Powergrid Holdings Company group of companies (the "Northern Powergrid Group") and acts as an investment company, maintaining its investments in Yorkshire Power Finance Limited and Northern Powergrid (Yorkshire) plc ("NPg Yorkshire").

The net finance costs and other gains/losses for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 was £107.2 million (2021: loss of £25.7 million). The favourable variance was due to a release of the expected credit loss in 2022 compared to a loss in the prior year, in addition to an increase in finance income as the floating rate of interest increased.

Net assets as at 31 December 2022 of £404.0 million (31 December 2021: £296.6 million) increased by £107.4 million.

## KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

The directors manage the Company's operations on a Northern Powergrid Group basis. Accordingly, the development, performance and position of the Company are discussed in the annual report and financial statements of Northern Electric Plc.

## PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

Details regarding the main features of the Northern Powergrid Group's internal control and risk management systems can be found in the annual reports and financial statements of Northern Electric Plc for the year to 31 December 2022. The principal risk and uncertainty specific to the Company is in relation to the recoverability of amounts loaned to other group companies.

## **SECTION 172(1) STATEMENT**

The information pursuant to Section 414CZA of the Companies Act 2006 which describes how the directors have had regard to the matters set out in Section 172(1) (a) to (f) when performing their duty under Section 172 is set out below:

- (a) the likely consequences of any decision in the long-term. Decisions are made with due regard to the principal activity of the Company and the wider impact upon the Northern Powergrid Group.
- (b) the interests of the Company's employees. The Company does not have any employees.
- (c) the need to foster the Company's business relationships with suppliers, customers and others. The Company does not have customers or interact with suppliers. Relationships with bond holders are managed by the Northern Powergrid Group's treasury department and the relevant bond trustee.
- (d) the impact of the Company's operations on the community and the environment. The Company's operation has negligible impact on the community and environment.
- (e) the desirability of the Company maintaining a reputation for high standards of business conduct. In common with Northern Powergrid Group, the Company has adopted the Berkshire Hathaway Energy Company's Core Principles which includes Regulatory Integrity. This requires that the Company's affairs are managed in accordance with the highest behavioural standards and adherence to a policy of strict compliance with all relevant standards, legislation and regulatory conditions.
- (f) the need to act fairly between members of the Company. The Company has one class of shares which are held by Yorkshire Power Group Limited.

Approved by the Board on 28 April 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

A P Jones Director

The directors present their report with the audited financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2022.

## Dividends

During the year no interim dividend was paid (2021: £34.4 million). The directors recommend that no final dividend be paid in respect of the year (2021: £nil).

## Directors of the Company

The directors shown below have held office during the year from 1 January 2022 and up to the date of signing:

T H France

P A Jones

A P Jones (appointed 14 April 2022)

During and as at the end of the year, none of the directors had any interest in any contract which was significant in relation to the business of the Company. During the year an indemnity contained in the Company's Articles of Association was in force for the benefit of the directors of the Company and as directors of associated companies, which was a qualifying third party indemnity provision for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006.

### Future developments and future outlook

There have been no significant events since the year-end. The Company will continue to act as an investment company. There are no plans to change the existing business model.

## Financial risk management

Details of financial risks are covered in Note 20, within the notes to the financial statements.

## Research and development

The Company does not undertake research and development.

## **Political donations**

During the year, no contributions were made to political organisations (2021: £nil).

## Engagement with employees

The Company does not have employees. However, NPg Yorkshire, a wholly owned subsidiary employed 1,127 employees as at 31 December 2022 (2021:1,113).

The board and senior management team keep employees and trade union representatives informed of and involved as appropriate in developments that may impact them now or in the future. This approach has been chosen as the most effective way of interacting with employees due to the combination of collectively bargained and personal contract holders. In support of this process, the Director of People and Change routinely reports to the board and the Health and Safety Committee to ensure that the views of employees are considered and to facilitate the discussion of and any subsequent decision making in respect of employee related concerns or issues.

Consultation for collectively bargained employees is agreed with trade union representatives in the form of a constitutional framework. In addition, all employees are consulted to establish their views and identify key priorities using employee engagement surveys.

During the year, the President and Chief Executive Officer, members of the board and senior management team provided regular updates on financial, organisational, safety and customer service performance. As social distancing measures eased, the executive directors engaged directly with employees during operational and office-based site visits, and induction and graduation events. Communication with employees was delivered via various channels including group wide text messages to quickly disseminate key information concerning safety, the Pandemic and Major Incident Management Plans, regular briefings, line manager conversations, meetings with trade union representatives and utilising Northern Powergrid Group's intranet.

#### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing the annual 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 international accounting standards in conformity with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and International Financial Reporting Standards adopted pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1606/2002 as it applies in the European Union. The financial statements also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB"). 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, International Accounting Standard 1 requires that directors:

- Properly select and apply accounting policies;
- 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 IFRSs are insufficient to enable users to understand the impact of particular transactions, other events and conditions on the Company's financial position and financial performance; and
- · Make an assessment of the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

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.

#### Going Concern

The Northern Powergrid Group is financed both in its operating companies and in other entities within the Northern Powergrid Group, and companies may lend within the Northern Powergrid Group. For that reason, financial health is considered with reference to the Northern Powergrid Group. Those entities with net current liabilities position obtaining a letter of support from Northern Powergrid Holdings Company.

When considering whether to continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and financial statements, the directors have taken into account a number of factors, including the following:

- The Northern Powergrid Group's main subsidiaries, NPg Northeast and NPg Yorkshire, are stable electricity distribution businesses operating an essential public service and are regulated by the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority ("GEMA"). In carrying out its functions, GEMA has a statutory duty under the Electricity Act 1989 to have regard to the need to secure that licence holders are able to finance the activities, which are the subject of obligations under Part 1 of the Electricity Act 1989 (including the obligations imposed by the electricity distribution licence) or by the Utilities Act 2000;
- The Northern Powergrid Group is profitable with strong underlying cash flows. Northern Powergrid Holdings Company, NPg Northeast and NPg Yorkshire hold investment grade credit ratings;
- The Northern Powergrid Group is financed by long-term borrowings with an average maturity of 18 years and has access to short-term committed borrowing facilities of £242 million provided by Barclays Bank plc, Lloyds Bank plc, HSBC UK Bank plc and Royal Bank of Canada;
- The Northern Powergrid Group benefits from strong investment-grade credit ratings which allow access to a range of financing options including the capital markets. A successful bond issue by the Northern Powergrid Group in April 2022, demonstrates that the Northern Powergrid Group's bonds remain attractive to investors and there is an active market with strong appetite to invest;
- The Northern Powergrid Group has prepared forecasts which taking into account reasonable possible changes in trading performance, show that the Northern Powergrid Group has sufficient resources to settle its liabilities as they fall due for at least the 12 months from the date of these accounts. The directors have had discussions with the bank who have indicated that they would continue to provide the short-term facilities to the Northern Powergrid Group for the foreseeable future on acceptable terms: and.
- Consideration was also given to the obligations contained in NPg Northeast plc and NPg Yorkshire plc licences to provide Ofgem with annual certificates, confirming that the directors have a reasonable expectation that the Northern Powergrid Group will have sufficient financial and operational resources available for the continuation of business for a period of at least 12 months.

Consequently, after making enquiries, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company, being an integral part of the Northern Powergrid Group, and the Northern Powergrid Group have adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and financial statements.

## Statement as to disclosure of information to auditor

Each of the directors, who is a director of the Company as at the date of this report, confirms that:

- so far as he is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditor is unaware; and
- he has taken all the steps he ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006.

## Reappointment of auditor

Deloitte LLP will continue in office in accordance with the provisions in Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006 and has indicated its willingness to do so.

Approved by the Board on 28 April 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

A P Jones Director

## Yorkshire Electricity Group plc Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Yorkshire Electricity Group plc

## Report on the audit of the financial statements

## **Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements of Yorkshire Electricity Group plc (the 'company'):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2022 and of its profit for the year then ended:
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom adopted international accounting standards and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB); and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the financial statements which comprise:

- the income statement:
- \* the statement of financial position;
- \* the statement of changes in equity;
- the statement of cash flows; and
- the related notes 1 to 22

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom adopted international accounting standards and IFRSs as issued by the IASB.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report.

We are independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the Financial Reporting Council's (the FRC's) Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

## Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

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

## Yorkshire Electricity Group plc Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Yorkshire Electricity Group plc (continued)

## Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

### Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' responsibilities statement, 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 company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

## Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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

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

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below.

We considered the nature of the company's industry and its control environment, and reviewed the company's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to fraud and compliance with laws and regulations. We also enquired of management, internal audit and those charged with governance about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities.

## Yorkshire Electricity Group plc Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Yorkshire Electricity Group plc (continued)

We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that the company operates in, and identified the key laws and regulations that:

- had a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. These included UK Companies Act, tax legislation; and
- do not have a direct effect on the financial statements but compliance with which may be fundamental to the company's ability to operate or to avoid a material penalty. These included Electicity Act 1989 and industry regulations monitored by Ofgem.

We discussed among the audit engagement team including relevant internal specialists such as IT specialists regarding the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the organisation for fraud and how and where fraud might occur in the financial statements.

In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are also required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override. In addressing the risk of fraud through management override of controls, we tested the appropriateness of journal entries and other adjustments; assessed whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias; and evaluated the business rationale of any significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.

In addition to the above, our procedures to respond to the risks identified included the following:

- reviewing financial statement disclosures by testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with provisions of relevant laws and regulations described as having a direct effect on the financial statements;
- performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud;
- enquiring of management, internal audit and in-house and external legal counsel concerning actual and potential litigation and claims, and instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations; and
- reading minutes of meetings of those charged with governance, and reviewing internal audit reports.

## Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

## Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Strategic Report or the Director's Report.

## Yorkshire Electricity Group plc Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Yorkshire Electricity Group plc (continued)

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

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report in respect of the following matters 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.

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

## 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 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.

Paul Hewitson FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of Deloitte LLP,

but of Houston

Statutory Auditor Newcastle upon Tyne

United Kingdom

28 April 2023

# Yorkshire Electricity Group plc Income Statement for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

		Note	2022 £ 000	2021 £ 000
Revenue	3 - 2	3	588	676
Administrative expenses			(20)	(19)
Operating profit	, ··		568	657
Other gains/(losses)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	4	69,220	(59,189)
Finance costs		5	(6,903)	(1,956)
Finance income		5	44,895	35,413
Profit/(loss) before tax			107,780	(25,075)
Income tax (expense)/receipt	•	8	(340)	117
Profit/(loss) for the year		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	107,440	(24,958)

There has been no other comprehensive income during the year (2021: £nil).

# Yorkshire Electricity Group plc (Registration number: 02366995)

Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2022 31 December 31 December 2022 2021 £ 000 £ 000 Note **Assets** Non-current assets Investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates 10 290,200 290,200 Deferred tax assets 263 8 226 290,426 290,463 Current assets Trade and other receivables 11 105,787 Income tax asset 16 Cash and cash equivalents 12 8,742 57,515 114,529 57,531 404,955 347,994 Total assets Equity and liabilities Equity Share capital (108,594)(108,594)13 Share premium (11,093)(11,093)Capital redemption reserve (72)(72)Retained earnings (284, 282)(176,842)Total equity (404,041)(296,601) Non-current liabilities Loans and borrowings 15 (50,000)**Provisions** (751)(903)16 (50,903) (751)**Current liabilities** Loans and borrowings 15 (340)Income tax liability (12)**Provisions** (151)(150)16 (163)(490)Total liabilities (914)(51,393)(404,955)(347,994)Total equity and liabilities

Approved by the Board of Directors on 28 April 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

A P Jones Director

The notes on pages 17 to 44 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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## Yorkshire Electricity Group plc Statement of Changes in Equity for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

At 1 January 2022 Profit for the year		Share capital £ 000 108,594	Share premium £ 000	Capital redemption reserve £ 000	Retained earnings £ 000 176,842 107,440	Total £ 000 296,601 107,440
Total comprehensive income		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u></u>	107,440	107,440
At 31 December 2022		108,594	11,093	72	284,282	404,041
		Share capital	Share premium £ 000	Capital redemption reserve £ 000	Retained earnings £ 000	Total £ 000
At 1 January 2021	10 miles 10			the second secon		
Loss for the year		108,594	11,093		236,200 (24,958)	355,959 (24,958)
	17	108,594	11,093	72	•	

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# Yorkshire Electricity Group plc Statement of Cash Flows for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

Note	2022 £ 000	2021 £ 000
Cash flows from operating activities	• •	•
Profit/(loss) for the year Adjustments to cash flows from non-cash items	107,440	(24,958)
Other (gains)/losses 4	(69,220)	59,189
Finance income 5	(44,895)	(35,413)
Finance costs 5	6,903	1,956
Income tax charge/(credit) 8	340	. (117)
	568	657
Decrease in provisions 16	(151)	(150)
Cash generated from operations	417	507
Income taxes paid 8	(274)	(160)
Net cash inflow generated from operating activities	143	347
Cash flows generated from investing activities		
Interest received	8,095	1,013
Dividend income 5	36,800	34,400
Loans to related parties	(36,567)	(2,343)
Net cash inflow generated from investing activities	8,328	33,070
Cash flows used in financing activities	•	
Group borrowings	(50,000)	· -
Interest paid	(7,244)	(1,956)
Dividends paid 17	<u> </u>	(34,400)
Net cash outflows generated from financing activities	(57,244)	(36,356)
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(48,773)	(2,939)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January 12	57,515	60,454
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December 12	8,742	57,515

The Company, acting on behalf of Northern Powergrid Group companies was authorised to settle various liabilities against the relevant intercompany accounts. As the Company is acting as agent for group companies it has not reflected the underlying and instead included the cash flows in loans to related parties/Group borrowings as appropriate.

#### 1 General information

The Company is a public company limited by share capital, incorporated and registered in England and Wales and is part of the Northern Powergrid Holdings Company and its subsidiaries group of companies (the "Northern Powergrid Group").

The address of its registered office is Lloyds Court, 78 Grey Street, Newcastle upon Tyne, Tyne and Wear, NE1 6AF.

The Company acts as an investment company within the Northern Powergrid Group. Further details are found within the Business Review section of the Strategic Report.

## 2 Accounting policies

#### Statement of compliance

The Company's financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and its interpretations as adopted by the IASB ("adopted IFRS").

## Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

#### Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with adopted IFRS and under historical cost accounting rules

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Company's accounting policies.

The Company is exempt from preparing group financial statements as it is a wholly owned subsidiary of a parent undertaking preparing group financial statements. Further details of the registered address and parent company are available in Note 22. Further details on the Company's accounting policies in relation to investments are available on page 20.

## 2 Accounting policies (continued)

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## Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of certain financial assets, liabilities, income and expenses.

#### 2 Accounting policies (continued)

The use of estimates and assumptions is principally limited to the determination of provisions for impairment and the valuation of financial instruments as explained in more detail below:

## Provisions for impairment

In determining impairment of financial assets, judgement is required in the estimation of the amount and timing of future cash flows as well as an assessment of whether the credit risk on the financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition and incorporation of forward-looking information in the measurement of expected credit loss.

#### Fair value of financial assets and liabilities

Where the fair value of financial assets and liabilities cannot be derived from active markets, they are determined using a variety of valuation techniques that include the use of mathematical models. The inputs to these models are derived from observable markets where available, but where this is not feasible, a degree of judgement is required in determining assumptions used in the models. Changes in assumptions used in the models could affect the reported fair value of financial assets and liabilities.

#### Revenue recognition

Revenue, which arises wholly in the United Kingdom, relates to the recharge of the settlement of external pension liabilities and to an income stream in respect of the ownership of telecommunication assets.

Dividend income from investments is recognised when the shareholders' rights to receive payment have been established.

## Finance income and costs policy

All borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period which they are incurred.

#### Tax

The tax expense for the period comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in profit or loss, except that a change attributable to an item of income or expense recognised as other comprehensive income is also recognised directly in other comprehensive income.

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 Company operates and generates taxable income.

Deferred income tax is recognised on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements and on unused tax losses or tax credits in the company. Deferred income tax is determined using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and a valuation allowance is set up against deferred tax assets so that the net carrying amount equals the highest amount that is more likely than not to be recovered based on current or future taxable profit.

## 2 Accounting policies (continued)

## Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment is stated in the statement of financial position at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

## Depreciation

Depreciation is charged so as to write off the cost of the assets to their residual values over their estimated useful lives of 10 years on a straight-line basis.

#### Investments

Investments are held at cost less provision for any impairment.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value. Amounts borrowed under overdraft facilities are included within borrowings on the statement of financial position, however included within cash and cash equivalents on the statement of cash flows.

#### Trade receivables

Trade receivables are amounts loaned to companies within the Northern Powergrid Group and the related accrued interest. If collection is expected in one year or less (or in the normal operating cycle of the business if longer), they are classified as current assets. If not, they are presented as non-current assets.

Trade receivables are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade receivables is established when there is objective evidence that the Company will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

The Company provides the intercompany treasury account for the Northern Powergrid Group. If the total amount on this account is a receivable for the Company it is reported in cash and cash equivalents, if a payable in short-term borrowings.

## Borrowings '

All borrowings are initially recorded at the amount of proceeds received, net of transaction costs. Borrowings are subsequently carried at amortised cost, with the difference between the proceeds, net of transaction costs, and the amount due on redemption being recognised as a charge to the income statement over the period of the relevant borrowing.

Interest expense is recognised on the basis of the effective interest method and is included in finance costs.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the Company has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the reporting date.

The Company provides the intercompany treasury account for the Northern Powergrid Group. If the total amount on this account is a receivable for the Company it is reported in cash and cash equivalents, if a payable in short-term borrowings.

## 2 Accounting policies (continued)

#### **Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when the Company has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that the Company will be required to settle that obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

Provisions are measured at the directors' best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the obligation at the reporting date and are discounted to present value where the effect is material.

#### Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Equity instruments are measured at the fair value of the cash or other resources received or receivable, net of the direct costs of issuing the equity instruments. If payment is deferred and the time value of money is material, the initial measurement is on a present value basis.

#### **Dividends**

Dividend distribution to the Company's shareholders is recognised as a liability in the Company's financial statements in the period in which the dividends are approved by the Company's shareholders.

## Financial instruments

## Initial recognition

Financial assets and financial liabilities comprise all assets and liabilities reflected in the statement of financial position, although excluding property, plant and equipment, investment properties, intangible assets, deferred tax assets, prepayments, deferred tax liabilities and employee benefits plan.

The Company recognises financial assets and financial liabilities in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

Financial assets are initially recognised at fair value. Financial liabilities are initially recognised at fair value, representing the proceeds received net of premiums, discounts and transaction costs that are directly attributable to the financial liability.

All regular way purchases and sales of financial assets and financial liabilities classified as fair value through the profit or loss (FVTPL) are recognised on the trade date, i.e. the date on which the Company commits to purchase or sell the financial assets or financial liabilities. All regular way purchases and sales of other financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised on the settlement date, i.e. the date on which the asset or liability is received from or delivered to the counterparty. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery within the time frame generally established by regulation or convention in the market place.

Subsequent to initial measurement, financial assets and financial liabilities are measured at either amortised cost or fair value.

## 2 Accounting policies (continued)

## Classification and measurement

Financial instruments are classified at inception into one of the following categories, which then determine the subsequent measurement methodology:

Financial assets are classified into one of the following three categories:

- · financial assets at amortised cost;
- financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVTOCI); or
- · financial assets at FVTPL.

Financial liabilities are classified into one of the following two categories:

- · financial liabilities at amortised cost; or
- · financial liabilities at FVTPL.

The classification and the basis for measurement are subject to the Company's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets, as detailed below:

#### Financial assets at amortised cost

A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as FVTPL:

- · the assets are held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets in order to collect contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms of the financial assets give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

If either of the above two criteria is not met, the financial assets are classified and measured at FVTPL.

If a financial asset meets the amortised cost criteria, the Company may choose to designate the financial asset at FVTPL. Such an election is irrevocable and applicable only if the FVTPL classification significantly reduces a measurement or recognition inconsistency.

## Financial assets at FVTOCI

A financial asset is measured at FVTOCI only if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at FVTPL:

- the asset is held within a business model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets; and
- the contractual terms of the financial assets give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

On initial recognition of an equity investments that is not held for trading, the Company may irrevocably elect to present subsequent changes in fair value in OCI. This election is made on an investment-by-investment basis.

If an equity investment is designated as FVTOCI, all gains and losses, except for dividend income, are recognised in other comprehensive income and are not subsequently included in the statement of income.

## Financial assets at FVTPL

Financial assets not otherwise classified above are classified and measured as FVTPL.

## 2 Accounting policies (continued)

## Financial liabilities at amortised cost

All financial liabilities, other than those classified as financial liabilities at FVTPL, are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

#### Financial liabilities at FVTPL

Financial liabilities not measured at amortised cost are classified and measured at FVTPL. This classification includes derivative liabilities.

## Derecognition

#### Financial assets

The Company derecognises a financial asset when:

- the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire;
- it transfers the right to receive the contractual cash flows in a transaction in which substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred; or
- the Company neither transfers nor retains substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership and it does not retain control of the financial asset.

On derecognition of a financial asset, the difference between the carrying amount of the asset and the sum of the consideration received is recognised as a gain or loss in the profit or loss.

Any cumulative gain or loss recognised in OCI in respect of equity investment securities designated as FVTOCI is not recognised in profit or loss on derecognition of such securities. Any interest in transferred financial assets that qualify for derecognition that is created or retained by the Company is recognised as a separate asset or liability.

The Company enters into transactions whereby it transfers assets recognised on its statement of financial position, but retains either all or substantially all of risks and rewards of the transferred assets or a portion of them. In such cases, the transferred assets are not derecognised.

When the Company derecognises transferred financial assets in their entirety, but has continuing involvement in them then the entity should disclose for each type of continuing involvement at the reporting date:

- (a) The carrying amount of the assets and liabilities that are recognised in the entity's statement of financial position and represent the entity's continuing involvement in the derecognised financial assets, and the line items in which those assets and liabilities are recognised;
- (b) The fair value of the assets and liabilities that represent the entity's continuing involvement in the derecognised financial assets;
- (c) The amount that best represents the entity's maximum exposure to loss from its continuing involvement in the derecognised financial assets, and how the maximum exposure to loss is determined; and
- (d) The undiscounted cash outflows that would or may be required to repurchase the derecognised financial assets or other amounts payable to the transferred assets.

#### Financial liabilities

The Company derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged, cancelled, or expire.

## 2 Accounting policies (continued)

#### Modification of financial assets and financial liabilities

#### Financial assets

If the terms of a financial asset are modified, the Company evaluates whether the cash flows of the modified asset are substantially different. If the cash flows are substantially different, then the contractual rights to the cash flows from the original financial asset are deemed to expire. In this case the original financial asset is derecognised and a new financial asset is recognised at either amortised cost or fair value.

If the cash flows are not substantially different, then the modification does not result in derecognition of the financial asset. In this case, the Company recalculates the gross carrying amount of the financial asset and recognises the amount arising from adjusting the gross carrying amount as a modification gain or loss in the statement of income.

#### Financial liabilities

If the terms of financial liabilities are modified, the Company evaluates whether the cash flows of the modified liabilities are substantially different. If the cash flows are substantially different, then the contractual obligations from the cash flows from the original financial liabilities are deemed to expire. In this case the original financial liabilities are derecognised and new financial liabilities are recognised at either amortised cost or fair value.

If the cash flows are not substantially different, then the modification does not result in derecognition of the financial liabilities. In this case, the Company recalculates the gross carrying amount of the financial liabilities and recognises the amount arising from adjusting the gross carrying amount as a modification gain or loss in the statement of income.

## 2 Accounting policies (continued)

## Impairment of financial assets

Measurement of Expected Credit Losses

The Company recognises loss allowances for expected credit losses (ECL) on financial instruments that are not measured at FVTPL, namely:

- Financial assets that are debt instruments;
- Accounts and other receivables;
- Financial guarantee contracts issued; and
- Loan commitments issued.

The Company classifies its financial instruments into stage 1, stage 2 and stage 3, based on the applied impairment methodology, as described below:

Stage I: for financial instruments where there has not been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition and that are not credit-impaired on origination, the Company recognises an allowance based on the 12-month ECL.

Stage 2: for financial instruments where there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition but they are not credit-impaired, the Company recognises an allowance for the lifetime ECL.

Stage 3: for credit-impaired financial instruments, the Company recognises the lifetime ECL.

The Company measures loss allowances at an amount equal to the lifetime ECL, except for the following, for which they are measured as a 12-month ECL:

- debt securities that are determined to have a low credit risk (equivalent to investment grade rating) at the reporting date; and
- other financial instruments on which the credit risk has not increased significantly since their initial recognition.

The Company considers a debt security to have low credit risk when their credit risk rating is equivalent to the globally understood definition of 'investment grade'.

A 12-month ECL is the portion of the ECL that results from default events on a financial instrument that are probable within 12 months from the reporting date.

Provisions for credit-impairment are recognised in the statement of income and are reflected in accumulated provision balances against each relevant financial instruments balance.

Evidence that the financial asset is credit-impaired include the following;

- Significant financial difficulties of the borrower or issuer;
- A breach of contract such as default or past due event;
- The restructuring of the loan or advance by the Company on terms that the Company would not consider otherwise;
- It is becoming probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation;
- The disappearance of an active market for the security because of financial difficulties; or
- There is other observable data relating to a group of assets such as adverse changes in the payment status of borrowers or issuers in the Company, or economic conditions that correlate with defaults in the Company.

For trade receivables, the Company applies the simplified approach, which requires expected lifetime losses to be recognised from initial recognition of the receivables.

To measure the expected credit losses, trade receivables and contract assets have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due. The contract assets relate to unbilled work in progress and have substantially the same risk characteristics as the trade receivables for the same types of contracts. The Company has therefore concluded that the expected loss rates for trade receivables are a reasonable approximation of the loss rates for the contract assets.

## 2 Accounting policies (continued)

Changes in accounting policy

New standards, interpretations and amendments effective

Effective for periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022

- Amendments to IFRS 3: Reference to the Conceptual Framework
- Amendments to IAS 16: Property, Plant & Equipment Proceeds before Intended Use
- Amendments to IAS 37: Onerous Contracts Cost of Fulfilling a Contract
- Annual Improvments to IFRS Standards 2018-2020

These amendments did not have a material impact on the financial statements.

The other amendments have had no material impact on the financial statements including the comparitives.

The directors have considered new accounting standards issued that are not yet applicable and have noted no material changes are likely to arise.

The analysis of the Company's revenue for the year from continuing operations is as follows:

## 3 Revenue

		2022 £ 000	2021 £ 000
Recharge of settlement of external pension liability		150	: 150
Rental income from telecommunication assets		438	526
		588	676
4 Other gains/(losses)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
The analysis of the Company's other gains/(losses) for t	he year is as		•
follows:		2022	2021
	• .	£ 000	£ 000
•		69,220	(59,189)
Expected credit gain/(loss) on intercompany loan			
5 Finance income and costs		2022	2021
		£ 000	£ 000
	•		:
Finance income		1,797	. 3
Interest income on bank deposits		36,800	34,400
Dividend income		6,298	1,010
Interest receivable on intercompany loans		14 805	. 35 /13

## 6 Employees and directors

Interest on bank overdrafts and borrowings

Interest paid to group undertakings Total finance costs

Total finance income

Net finance income

Finance costs

No directors' or key personnel remuneration was charged for the year (2021: £nil). There were no employees during the year (2021: none).

44,895

(6,903)

(6,903)

37,992

35,413.

(1,948)

(1,956)

33,457.

At 31 December 2022 no directors accrued benefits under a defined benefit scheme (2021: none).

## 7 Auditor's remuneration

Audit of the financial statements	. –	022 2021 000 £ 000 21 19
Audit of the financial statements		
8 Income tax	•	
Tax charged in the income statement		
	20	2021
	£(	000 £ 000
Current taxation		•
UK corporation tax		305 (80)
Increase in current tax from adjustment for prior periods		(3) 226
		302 146
Deferred taxation		
Deferred tax expenses relating to the origination and reversal of temporar	у	
differences	•	38 (191)
Effect of changes in tax rates	·	- (72)
Total deferred taxation	·	38 (263)
Tax expense/(receipt) in the income statement	•	340 (117)

The tax on profit before tax for the year is lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK (2021 - lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK) of 19% (2021 - 19%).

The differences are reconciled below:

## 8 Income tax (continued)

		•	
		2022 £ 000	2021 £ 000
Profit/(loss) before tax		107,780	(25,075)
Corporation tax at standard rate		20,478	. (4,764)
Increase in current tax from adjustment for prior periods		- · · · ·	229
Decrease in deferred tax from adjustment for prior periods		(3)	(229)
Deferred tax credit relating to changes in tax rates		9	(63)
(Decrease)/increase due to tax impact on expected credit loss or	n		
intercompany loan		(13,152)	11,246
Reduction owing to non taxable dividends from UK companies		(6,992)	(6,536)
Total tax charge/(credit)		340	(117)

The Autumn Budget 2022 confirmed that the corporation tax rate will increase to 25% from 1 April 2023 as previously enacted. Deferred tax balances are therefore measured at 25% at 31 December 2022. (25% at 31 December 2021).

There is no uncertainty over the acceptable income tax treatment. Should any uncertainties arise the Company will apply adopted amendments to IFRIC 23.

## Deferred tax

Deferred tax asset

Deferred tax movement during the year:

	•		•		•	At
	÷ .	÷		At 1 January 2022	Recognised in income	31 December 2022
		-	•	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000
Pension benefit obligations				263	(37)	226

# 9 Property, plant and equipment

	Plant and machinery £ 000
Cost At 1 January 2021	300
At 31 December 2021 At 1 January 2022	300
At 31 December 2022	300
Depreciation At 1 January 2021	300
At 31 December 2021 At 1 January 2022	300 300
At 31 December 2022	300
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2021	
At 31 December 2022	

## 9 Property, plant and equipment (continued)

The gross carrying amount of fully depreciated property, plant and equipment of £0.3 million reported above (2021: £0.3 million) relates to a radio mast asset.

10 Investments		•					
Subsidiaries and associates					•	* •	£ 000
Cost At 1 January 2021							290,200
At 31 December 2021							290,200
At 1 January 2022			•		,		290,200
At 31 December 2022							290,200
Carrying amount							•
At 31 December 2021				•		. <del></del>	290,200
At 31 December 2022	•						290,200

## 10 Investments (continued)

Details of the investments of the Company as at 31 December 2022 are as follows:

Name of subsidiary /			Proportion ownershit and voting the second contraction of the second c	ip interest
associate	Principal activity	Registered office	held 2022	2021
Northern Powergrid (Yorkshire) plc	Distribution of electricity	Lloyds Court, 78 Grey Street, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 6AF England and Wales	100%	100%
Yorkshire Power Finance Limited	Finance company	PO Box 309, Ugland House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman Cayman Islands	1%	1%

The Company's financial statements are separate financial statements in that it has elected not to prepare consolidated financial statements, as entitled under IAS 27 and Section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 as it is included in the consolidated accounts for a larger group with accounts drawn up to the same date. Northern Powergrid Holdings Company, a company incorporated in England and Wales and whose address is Lloyds Court, 78 Grey Street, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 6AF, is the entity where the consolidated accounts including those of the Company are available for public view.

The Company's investments listed above are accounted for at cost less provision for any impairment in value.

Investments are directly held in the form of ordinary shares.

There have been no movements in investments during the year.

#### 11 Trade and other receivables

Current trade receivables		31 1	2022 £ 000	2021 £ 000
Trade receivables			. 1	-
Amounts owed by group undertak	ings		105,786	69,220
Expected credit loss			-	(69,220)
			105,787	_

Trade and receivables are carried at the lower of fair value and carrying amount, which the directors consider to be substantially the same at the statement of financial position date as there is limited exposure risk for the book value to be impaired. The maximum exposure to risk to the Company is the book value of these receivables less any provisions for impairment.

Amounts owed by Group undertakings of £105.8 million (2021: £69.2 million) reflect amounts loaned to CalEnergy Gas (Holdings) Limited (CEH), a Company within the Northern Powergrid Group, repayable on demand. The rate of interest on the loan is the 1-month SONIA rate plus a margin as specified in the Northern Powergrid Group's latest revolving credit facilities (currently 0.2%), plus a credit adjustment spread of 0.0326%. The fair value is deemed to be the same as the book value. At the prior reporting date in accordance with IFRS 9 Financial Instruments, the cumulative Expected Credit Loss (ECL) of 100% was recognised for £69.2 million. After review of cash flow position of CEH over the 10 year period to 2032, the ECL adjustment has been reversed in the current period.

The liquidity risk, credit risk, and market risk associated with these borrowings, and the management thereof, is covered in the Financial Risk Review section in Note 20 of these financial statements. The maximum exposure to risk to the Company is the book value of these loans.

## 12 Cash and cash equivalents

				31 December 2022 £ 000	31 December 2021 £ 000
Short-term deposits				943	4,260
Other cash and cash equivaler	nts		٠.	7,799	53,255
				8,742	57,515

Cash and cash equivalents have a maturity of less than three months, are readily convertible to cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value. The carrying amount of these assets approximates their fair value. Other cash and cash equivalents represent the net amounts owed by other group undertakings, some receivable, some payable, which if, when combined result in a positive value is shown in cash and cash equivalents. If negative, this total is shown in loans and borrowings.

Cash and cash equivalents on the statement of financial position show the positive elements in cash and cash equivalents and the overdraft in borrowings, but are netted off on the cash flow statement as both meet the definition of cash and cash equivalents for this purpose.

## 13 Share capital

Allotted, called up and fully paid shares

		cember 022		ecember 2021
	No.	£	No.	£
Ordinary Share Capital of £0.68 each	159,270,954	108,593,832.00	159,270,954	108,593,832.00

The Company has one class of ordinary shares which carries no right to fixed income.

## 14 Reserves

	Capital ( redemption Retained reserve earnings £ 000 £ 000
At 1 January 2022	72 176,842
Profit for the year and other comprehensive income	107,440
At 31 December 2022	72 284,282
	Capital redemption Retained reserve earnings £ 000 £ 000
At 1 January 2021	72 236,200
Loss for the year and other comprehensive income	- (24,958)
Dividends	(34,400)
At 31 December 2021	72 176,842

## 15 Loans and borrowings

			31 December 2022 £ 000	31 December 2021 £ 000
Non-current borrowings Amounts owed to group undertakings				50,000
Current borrowings Amounts owed to group undertakings - ac	crued interest		<u> </u>	340
	·			50,340
	Book	value	Fair	value
	31 December 2022	31 December 2021	31 December 2022	31 December 2021
	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000
2026 - Northern Powergrid Holdings Company 3.6%	· <u>.</u>	50,340	· <u>-</u>	54,320

The fair value of the long-term borrowings was based on Level 3 inputs. The directors' estimates of the fair value of bank loans and internal borrowings are determined in accordance with generally accepted pricing models based on discounted cash flow analysis using prices from observable current market transactions or dealer quotes for similar instruments.

The fair value of short-term borrowings is equal to their book value. All loans are non-secured and are denominated in sterling.

The 2026 Northern Powergird Holdings Company 3.6% loan was repaid in December 2022.

The liquidity risk, credit risk, and market risk associated with these borrowings, and the management thereof, is covered within financial risk review in Note 20 of these financial statements.

## 16 Provisions

		£ 000
At 1 January 2022		1,053
Provisions used		(151)
At 31 December 2022		902
Non-current liabilities	•	751
Current liabilities	*** **********************************	151

Reflects pension provisions which relate to expected settlements of liabilities relating to the pension liability relating to the Electricity Association Technology Limited which are expected to be settled over a period of approximately six years. The Company is to recharge NPg Yorkshire each March for six years.

## 17 Dividends

	:			 31 December 2022 £ 000	31 December 2021 £ 000
		•			•
Interim dividend	of £nil (2021	- 21.6p) per o	rdinary share	 	34,400

## 18 Net debt reconciliation

	At 1 January 2022 £ 000	Cash flows £ 000	At 31 December 2022 £ 000
Long-term borrowings	(50,000)	50,000	· .
Short-term borrowings	(340)	340	. •
Cash and cash equivalents	57,515	(48,773)	8,742
	7,175	1,567	8,742
	At 1 January 2021 £ 000	Cash flows £ 000	At 31 December 2021 £ 000
Long-term borrowings	(50,000)	<u>-</u>	(50,000)
Short-term borrowings	(340)	-	(340)
Cash and cash equivalents	60,454	(2,939)	57,515
	10,114	(2,939)	7,175

The 2026 Northern Powergrid Holdings Company 3.6% loan was repaid in December 2022

## 19 Classification of financial and non-financial assets and financial and non-financial liabilities

The classification of financial assets and financial liabilities by accounting categorisation for the period ending 31 December 2022 was as follows:

December 2022 was as to				Financial assets at amortised cost £ 000	Non-financial assets & liabilities £ 000
Assets					•
Non-current assets					
Investments in subsidiarie	s, joint ventures an	d associates		290,200	-
Deferred tax assets	•			. =	226
			,	290,200	226
Current assets		•		•	
Trade and other receivable	ec			105,787	_
Cash and cash equivalents		. *.	•	8,742	· -
out and but offer along	•			114,529	
	,	• .		•	
Total assets		, •		404,729	226
Liabilities					
Non-current liabilities				••	
Provisions			•		(751)
Current liabilities	. :	•			
Income tax liability		•		- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(12)
Provisions				·	(151)
				<u>-</u>	(163)
Total liabilities				* <u>-</u>	(914)

## 19 Classification of financial and non-financial assets and financial and non-financial liabilities (continued)

The classification of financial assets and financial liabilities by accounting categorisation for the period ending 31 December 2021 was as follows:

	Financial assets at amortised cost £ 000	Financial liabilities at amortised cost £ 000	Non-financial assets & liabilities £ 000
Assets			•
Non-current assets			•
Investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates	290,200	-	<u>.</u> ·
Deferred tax assets			263
	290,200	<u> </u>	. 263
Current assets			
Income tax asset		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	16
Cash and cash equivalents	57,515	<u> </u>	· <u>-</u>
	57,515		16
Total assets	347,715		279
Liabilities	•		
Non-current liabilities			
Loans and borrowings Provisions	•	(50,000)	(903)
11071310113		(50,000)	(903)
Current liabilities			
Loans and borrowings	_	(340)	
Provisions	-	(540)	(150)
		(340)	(150)
Total liabilities	-	(50,340)	(1,053)
• •			

## 20 Financial risk review

This note presents information about the Company's exposure to financial risks and the Company's management of capital.

## 20 Financial risk review (continued)

## Capital management

The Northern Powergrid Group manages its capital centrally to ensure that entities in the Northern Powergrid Group will be able to continue as going concerns while maximising the return to stakeholders through the optimisation of the debt and equity balance. The Northern Powergrid Group's overall strategy remains unchanged from 2021.

The capital structure of the Company consists of net debt (borrowings as detailed in Note 15) offset by cash and cash equivalents (detailed in Note 12) and equity of the Company (comprising issued capital, reserves and retained earnings as detailed in Note 13 and in the statement of financial position on page 14). The Company has no externally imposed capital requirements.

## 20 Financial risk review (continued)

#### Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that a counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the Company. The Company has adopted a policy of only dealing with creditworthy counterparties. The Company's exposure and the credit ratings of its counterparties are continuously monitored and the aggregate value of transactions concluded is spread amongst approved counterparties. The carrying amount of financial assets recorded in the financial statements, which is net of impairment losses, represents the Company's maximum exposure to credit risk as no collateral or other credit enhancements are held.

## Liquidity risk

Ultimate responsibility of liquidity risk management rests with the board of directors, which has established an appropriate liquidity risk management framework for the management of the Company's short, medium, and long-term funding and liquidity management requirements. The Company manages liquidity by maintaining adequate reserves, banking facilities and reserve borrowing facilities, by continuously monitoring forecast and actual cash flows, and by matching the maturity profiles of financial assets and liabilities.

## Maturity analysis for financial liabilities and financial assets

The following tables set out the remaining contractual maturities of the Company's financial assets and financial liabilities by type.

2022 Non-derivative liabilities Fixed interest rate liabilities	Total Outflow £ 000	3 months - 1 year £ 000	1-5 years £ 000	More than 5 years £ 000
		**:		
2021 Non-derivative liabilities Fixed interest rate liabilities	Total outflow £ 000 59,000	3 months - 1 year £ 000 1,800	1-5 years £ 000 57,200	More than 5 years £ 000

#### Market risk

The Company's activities do not expose it to significant financial risks of changes in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates. Materially all income and expenses are denominated in pound sterling. All other loans are at fixed interest rates and expose the Company to fair value interest rate risk.

## 21 Related party transactions

## Summary of transactions with other related parties

The Company provides the intercompany treasury account to the Northern Powergrid Group. It also has relationships with Northern Powergrid Holdings Company who provides loan financing, CalEnergy Gas (Holdings) Limited to whom it has loaned funds and Northern Powergrid (Yorkshire) plc to whom it recharges an annual pension payment regarding a third party.

## Loans to related parties

2022	Other related parties £ 000
At start of period	53,255
Advanced	60,330
Interest charged	(6,298)
Interest received	6,298
At end of period	113,585
	Other related
•	parties
2021	£ 000
	£ 000
2021 At start of period Advanced	£ 000 101,292
At start of period	£ 000 101,292 11,152
At start of period Advanced	£ 000 101,292 11,152 (59,189)
At start of period Advanced Expected credit loss	£ 000 101,292 11,152

## 21 Related party transactions (continued)

## Loans from related parties

	Other related parties
2022	£ 000
At start of period	50,340
Repaid	(50,340)
Interest charged	(6,903)
Interest paid	6,903
At end of period	
	Other related parties
2021	2 000
At start of period	50,340
Interest charged	(1,948)
Interest paid	1,948
At end of period	50,340

## Details of loans to related parties

Loans to related parties are detailed in the trade and other receivables Note 11 and cash and cash equivalents Note 12.

## Details of loans from related parties

Loans from related parties are disclosed in more detail in the loans and borrowing note.

## 22 Parent and ultimate parent undertaking

The Company's immediate parent is Yorkshire Power Group Limited.

The ultimate parent and controlling party is Berkshire Hathaway, Inc. These financial statements are available upon request from 3555 Farnam Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68131.

## Relationship between entity and parents

The parent of the largest group in which these financial statements are consolidated is Berkshire Hathaway, Inc, incorporated in United States.

The registered address of Berkshire Hathaway, Inc is 3555 Farnam Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68131.

The parent of the smallest group in which these financial statements are consolidated is Northern Powergrid Holdings Company, incorporated in United Kingdom.

The registered address of Northern Powergrid Holdings Company and location where the Northern Powergrid Group financial statements can be obtained is Lloyds Court, 78 Grey Street, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 6AF.