Company Registration Number: 2404622

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 31 December 2015



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## Directors' report

The Directors present their Report and the Financial Statements of Phoenix SCP Pensions Trustees Limited ("the Company") for the year ended 31 December 2015.

The Company is incorporated in the United Kingdom as a private limited company. Its registration number is 2404622 and its registered Office is 1, Wythall Green Way, Wythall, Birmingham B47 6WG.

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union ("IFRSs").

### **Business review**

## Principal activities

The principal activity of the Company is to act as trustee of certain pension and life assurance schemes. Throughout the year the Company has acted as trustee to the following pension and life assurance schemes:

Scottish Provident Assurance Centralised Group Retirement Scheme Scottish Provident Centralised Executive Scheme PFM Assurance Centralised Scheme Scottish Provident Personal Pension Scheme A1 PFM Assurance Free Standing AVC Scheme Scottish Provident Free Standing AVC Scheme

All the Company's activities are undertaken in the United Kingdom.

## Result and dividends

The results of the Company for the year are shown in the statement of comprehensive income on page 7. The Company pays a management expense to Phoenix Life Limited ("PLL"), of an amount equal to the net investment income received. When a loss is made the Company receives a refund from PLL, hence no profit or loss is made by the Company.

No dividends were paid during the year (2014: £nil).

## Principal risks and uncertainties

The Phoenix Group applies a consistent methodology for the identification, assessment, management and reporting of risk that includes a high level framework for the management of key risks within each business unit.

The Directors have reviewed the principal risks facing the Company and these are considered to be minimal.

## Key Performance Indicators ("KPIs")

Given the straightforward nature of the business, the Company's Directors are of the opinion that analysis using KPIs is not necessary for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business.

## Going concern

Having reviewed the position in light of the Financial Reporting Council Guidance issued in October 2009, the Directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

## **Directors**

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

A Kassimiotis

A Moss

## Secretary

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

## Disclosure of indemnity

Qualifying third party and pension scheme indemnity arrangements (as defined in sections 234 and 235 of the Companies Act 2006) were in force for the benefit of the Directors of the Company during the year and remain in place at the date of approval of this report.

## Disclosure of information to auditor

So far as each of the Directors is aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined in the Companies Act 2006) of which the Company's auditor is unaware, and each of the Directors has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a Director to make himself aware of any relevant audit information (as defined) and to establish that the Company's auditor is aware of that information.

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of section 418(2) of the Companies Act 2006.

## Re-appointment of auditor

In accordance with section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the Company's auditor, Ernst & Young LLP, will be deemed to have been re-appointed at the end of the period of 28 days following circulation of copies of these financial statements as no notice has been received from members pursuant to section 488 of the Companies Act 2006 prior to the end of the accounting reference period to which these financial statements relate.

In accordance with the requirements of The Statutory Audit Services for Large Companies Market Investigation (Mandatory use of Competitive Tender Processes and Audit Committee Responsibilities) Order 2014, a competitive audit tender will be undertaken in 2016 to be effective for the 2017 statutory audit.

On behalf of the Board

L Nuttall

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

21 June 2016

## Statement of Directors' responsibilities

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

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

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

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

## Independent auditor's report to the members of Phoenix SCP Pensions Trustees Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Phoenix SCP Pensions Trustees Limited for the year ended 31 December 2015 which comprise the accounting policies, the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of financial position, the statement of cash flows, the statement of changes in equity and the related notes 1 to 12. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as adopted by the European Union.

This report is made solely to the Company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

## Respective responsibilities of Directors and auditor

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' responsibilities set out on page 5, the Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

## Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Directors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Directors' report and financial statements to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. 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 2015 and of its result for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with IFRSs as adopted by the European Union; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

## Opinion on other matters 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.

## 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.

Benjamin Gregory (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of Ernst & Young LLP, Statutory Auditor

London

June 2016

## PHOENIX SCP PENSIONS TRUSTEES LIMITED Statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2015 2015 2014 Notes £ £ Revenue 172 Net investment income 168 **Total income** 172 168 Administrative expenses (172)(168)Total operating expenses (172) (168) Profit for the year before tax Tax charge Profit for the year Other comprehensive income

Total comprehensive income

## Statement of financial position as at 31 December 2015

	Notes	2015 £	2014 £
Equity Share capital	7	100	100
Total equity		100	100
Current liabilities Other payables	8	26,204	26,032
Total current liabilities		26,204	26,032
Total equity and liabilities		26,304	26,132
Current assets Cash and cash equivalents	9	26,304	26,132
Total current assets	·	26,304	26,132

On behalf of the Board

A Moss

Director 21 June 2016

PHOENIX SCP PENSIONS TRU	STEES LIMITED		
Statement of cash flows for the year ended 31 December 2015			
		2015	2014
	Notes	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities	40		
Cash generated by operations	10	<del>-</del>	
Net cash flows from operating activities	_	<del>-</del>	
Cash flows from investing activities			
Interest received	3	172	168
Net cash flows from investing activities	_	172	168
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		172	168
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		26,132	25,964

26,304

26,132

Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year

## Statement of changes in equity for the year ended 31 December 2015

At 1 January 2015	Share capital (note 7) £ 100	Retained earnings £ -	Total £ 100
Profit for the year Total comprehensive income for the year	<del></del>	<u>-</u>	-
At 31 December 2015	100		100
	Share capital (note 7) £	Retained earnings £	Total £
At 1 January 2014	100	-	· 100
Profit for the year Total comprehensive income for the year	<del></del>	<u>-</u> -	· <u>-</u>
At 31 December 2014	100		100

## Notes to the financial statements

## 1. Accounting policies

## (a) Basis of preparation

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

## Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union ("IFRSs") and applied in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

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

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption in section 414 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies not to prepare a Strategic report.

Assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the statement of financial position only when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liability simultaneously. Income and expenses are not offset in the statement of comprehensive income unless required or permitted by an international financial reporting standard or interpretation, as specifically disclosed in the accounting policies of the Company.

## (b) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash balances and short-term deposits with an original maturity term of three months or less at the date of placement.

## (c) Income recognition

### Net investment income

Net investment income comprises interest. Interest income is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income as it accrues using the effective interest method.

## (d) Share capital and capital contributions

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

## (e) Events after the reporting period

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

## 2. Financial information

The financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015, set out on pages 7 to 13, were authorised by the Board of Directors for issue on 21 June 2016.

In preparing the financial statements the Company has adopted the following standards, interpretations and amendments which have been issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ('IASB') and have been adopted for use by the EU. None of the following have a material effect on the results of the Company.

- Annual Improvements 2010 2012 cycle; and
- Annual Improvements 2011 2013 cycle.

Further standards, interpretations and amendments have been issued but are not currently relevant to the Company.

## 3. Net Investment Income

	2015 £	2014 £
Interest income on cash and cash equivalents	172	168

## PHOENIX SCP PENSIONS TRUSTEES LIMITED 4. Administrative expenses 2015 2014 £ £ Management expense to fellow group entity 172 168 The Company pays a management expense to a fellow group entity, PLL, of an amount equal to its net income. The Company has no employees. Services are provided by the parent entity Pearl Group Management Services Limited. 5. Directors' remuneration The Directors are employed by another Group Company. The Directors received no remuneration in respect of their services to the Company (2014: £nil). 6. Auditor's remuneration The remuneration of the auditor of the Company, including their associates, in respect of the audit of the financial statements was £1,000 (2014: £1,000). This audit fee has been borne by its parent company. Details of the parent company are given in note 12 of the financial statements. 7. Share capital 2015 2014 £ £ Issued and fully paid: 100 (2014: 100) ordinary shares of £1 each 100 100 The Company's Articles of Association contain a restriction on the number of shares that may be allotted. The holders of the ordinary shares are entitled to one vote per share on matters to be voted on by owners and to receive such dividend, if any, as may be declared by the Board of Directors in its discretion out of legally available profits. 8. Other payables 2014 2015 £ £

Amounts due to fellow subsidiaries are due to PLL and carry no fixed terms of repayment and are non-interest bearing.

26,204

26,032

The carrying amounts of other payables approximate to their fair values.

Amounts due to fellow subsidiaries

# PHOENIX SCP PENSIONS TRUSTEES LIMITED 9. Cash and cash equivalents 2015 2014 £ £ Bank and cash balances 26,304 26,132

All deposits are subject to fixed interest rates. The carrying amounts approximate to their fair values at the period end.

## 10. Cash flows

## Cash flows from operating activities

	2015 £	2014 £
Profit for the year before tax	-	-
Non-cash movements in profit for the year before tax		
Interest received	(172)	(168)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities		
Increase in other liabilities	172	168
Cash generated by operations		-

## 11. Related party transactions

The Company enters into transactions with related parties in its normal course of business. These are at arm's length on normal commercial terms.

In the year ended 31 December 2015, the Company incurred management expenses of £172 (2014: £168) charged by PLL.

## Amounts due to related parties

Amounts due to related parties	2015 £	2014 £
Other amounts due to fellow subsidiaries	26,204	26,032

## Key management compensation

There was no compensation payable to employees classified as key management, which comprises the Directors, as disclosed in note 5.

## Parent and ultimate parent entity

Information on the Company's parent and ultimate parent is given in note 12.

## 12. Other information

The Company's principal place of business is the United Kingdom. The Company's immediate parent is Pearl Group Management Services Limited and its ultimate parent is Phoenix Group Holdings, a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands and resident in Jersey. A copy of the financial statements of Phoenix Group Holdings can be obtained from the Company Secretary, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 32 Commercial Street, St. Helier, Jersey, JE2 3RU.