Directors' report and financial statements

31 December 2015





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Group strategic report Year ended 31 December 2015

Introduction

The principal activity of the group continues to be that of plumbers, pipeline and tool merchants.

Business review

The directors are disappointed with the decrease in turnover experienced in 2015 but are satisfied with the results for the year.

The group has managed to maintain profitability through an improvement in margin and tight cost control. Additionally, many costs incurred in 2014 were one off in nature connected with branch relocations in Doncaster and Sheffield. These items did not recur in 2015 resulting in a large decrease in the total of administrative and distribution expenses.

The group finances remain in an extremely healthy position with the balance sheet showing net assets at year end in excess of £30.0 million. Strong working capital ratios allow the group to maximise its use of liquid resources although the interest rate received on cash balances has continued to fall.

The trading environment for the year ahead remains challenging as government actions to reduce the budget deficit are impacting on local authority capital and maintenance budgets. Any longer term impact from Brexit is still uncertain although the decrease in Sterling since the vote has led to many supplier price increases.

Key performance indicators

The group monitors certain financial key performance indicators to measure movements and evaluate trends in revenues and profits. These are detailed below:

	2015	2014
	£000	£000
Sales	48,524	55,067
Gross profit	12,698	13,358
No of employees	272	278
Payroll costs	6,166	6,234
Other expenses	3,205	3,769
Sales per employee	178.4	198.1
Gross profit percentage	26.2%	24.3%
Gross profit per employee	46.7	48.1
Payroll costs per employee	22.7	22.4
Other expenses per employee	11.8	13.6

The group does not maintain key performance indicators for non-financial information, but does ensure it complies with all of its environmental responsibilities. The group also recognises the importance of its staff and actively promotes staff training and development.

Group strategic report (continued) Year ended 31 December 2015

Principal risks and uncertainties

The main risks associated with the group's financial assets and liabilities are set out below.

Credit risk

The profile of the group's debtors is well spread. The group monitors the accounts of its customers closely including setting and monitoring credit limits. Old debts are chased promptly. The directors believe that although the group is exposed to credit risk they have adequate measures in place to reduce the risk to an acceptable level.

Liquidity risk

The group aims to mitigate liquidity risk by managing cash generated by its operations in the most effective manner. It is group policy to invoice amounts due as soon as possible and all amounts owed by debtors are collected promptly. All major capital expenditure must be approved by the directors.

Interest rate risk

All surplus cash is invested in high interest bank deposits at a variable rate. Interest on any overdraft is charged at a variable rate. Therefore financial assets, liabilities, interest charges, interest receivable and cash flows can be affected by movements in interest rates. This risk is reduced by the fact that the amount of interest received exceeds the amount of interest charged and therefore there is minimal risk to the group.

Price Risk

The group is exposed to commodity price risk as a result of its operations. However given the size of the group's operations, the cost of managing this exposure exceeds the potential benefits.

This report was approved by the board on 26 September 2016 and signed on its behalf by:

K C Clifford Director

Directors' report Year ended 31 December 2015

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015.

Results and dividends

The profit for the year, after taxation, amounted to £2,943,000 (2014 - £2,976,000).

Details of dividends paid during the year are given in note 22 to the financial statements. The directors do not recommend a final dividend in respect of the year.

Directors

The directors who served during the year were:

R R Errington C P H Errington S M Errington K C Clifford

Employee involvement

The group's policy is to discuss and consult with employees on matters likely to affect employees' interests. Information on matters of concern to employees is given through information bulletins and reports which seek to achieve a common awareness on the part of all employees of the financial and economic factors affecting the group's performance.

Disabled employees

The group's policy is to recruit disabled workers for those vacancies that they are able to fill. All necessary assistance with initial training courses is given. Once employed, a career plan is developed to ensure suitable opportunities exist for each disabled person. Arrangements are made, where possible, for retraining employees who become disabled, to enable them to perform work identified as appropriate to their aptitudes and abilities.

Matters covered in the strategic report

Details of future developments can be found in the strategic report, and form part of this report by cross reference.

Disclosure of information to auditor

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 and the group's auditor is 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 relevant audit information and to establish that the company and the group's auditor is aware of that information.

Directors' report Year ended 31 December 2015

Auditor

Pursuant to section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditor will be deemed to be reappointed and UNW LLP will therefore continue in office.

This report was approved by the board on 26 September 2016 and signed on its behalf by:

K C Clifford

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Director

Directors' responsibilities statement Year ended 31 December 2015

The directors are responsible for preparing the group strategic report, the directors' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'. Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and the group and of the profit or loss of the group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Group will continue in business.

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



Independent auditor's report to the members of T Crossling & Co Limited

We have audited the financial statements of T Crossling & Co Limited for the year ended 31 December 2015, set out on pages 8 to 32. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is the applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

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 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. 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 group's and the parent 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 group strategic report and the directors' report 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 group's and the parent company's affairs as at 31 December 2015 and of the group's profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the group strategic report and the directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.



Independent auditor's report to the members of T Crossling & Co 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 by the parent company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the parent company financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- · certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Andrew Wilson BA FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of UNW LLP, Statutory Auditor

Chartered Accountants Newcastle upon Tyne

26 September 2016

Consolidated profit and loss account Year ended 31 December 2015

		2015	2014
		£000	£000
Turnover	3	48,524	55,067
Cost of sales		(35,826)	(41,709)
Gross profit		12,698	13,358
Distribution costs		(6,039)	(6,209)
Administrative expenses		(3,332)	(3,797)
Other operating income	4	93	-
Profit on sale of tangible fixed assets		-	297
Fair value changes - investment property		147	
Operating profit	5	3,567	3,649
Interest receivable and similar income	9	129	116
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		3,696	3,765
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	10	(753)	(789)
Profit for the financial year		2,943	2,976

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2015 or 2014 other than those included in the consolidated profit and loss account.

Consolidated balance sheet At 31 December 2015

			2015		2014
	Note		£000		£000
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	11		4,437		4,894
Investment property	12		680		-
	•	-	5,117	_	4,894
Current assets					,
Stocks	14	5,088		6,369	
Debtors	15	8,559		10,233	
Cash at bank and in hand		15,333		10,584	
	-	28,980		27,186	,
Creditors: amounts falling due within		(0.004)		(4.004)	
one year	16	(3,891)	,	(4,661)	
Net current assets	_		25,089		22,525
Net assets		-	30,206		27,419
		=		=	
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	19		39		39
Capital redemption reserve	20		11		11
Other reserves	20		68		68
Profit and loss account	20		30,088		27,301
Total equity		-	30,206	- -	27,419

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on 26 September 2016.

C P H Errington

Director

Company balance sheet At 31 December 2015

			2015		2014
Photodopanda	Note		£000		£000
Fixed assets					
Investments	13		3,585		3,585
		_	3,585	_	3,585
Current assets					
Debtors	15	6,132		4,288	
Creditors: amounts falling due within					
one year	16	(363)		(363)	
Net current assets	_		5,769		3,925
Net assets		_	9,354	_	7,510
		=		-	
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	19		39		39
Capital redemption reserve	20		11		11
Profit and loss account	20		9,304		7,460
Total equity			9,354	_ _	7,510

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CPH Errington

Director

Company registered number: 02749235

Consolidated statement of changes in equity Year ended 31 December 2015

	Share capital £000	Capital redemption reserve £000	Other reserves	Profit and loss account £000	Total equity £000
At 1 January 2015	39	11	68	27,301	27,419
Profit for the year	-	•	-	2,943	2,943
Dividends: Equity capital	-	-	-	. (156)	(156)
At 31 December 2015	39	11	68	30,088	30,206

Consolidated statement of changes in equity Year ended 31 December 2014

	Share capital £000	Capital redemption reserve £000	Other reserves £000	loss account	Total equity £000
At 1 January 2014	39	11	68	29,481	29,599
Profit for the year	-	-	-	2,976	2,976
Dividends: Equity capital	-	-	-	(5,156)	(5,156)
At 31 December 2014	39	11	68	27,301	27,419

Company statement of changes in equity Year ended 31 December 2015

	Share capital	Capital redemption reserve	Profit and loss account	Total equity
	£000	£000	£000	£000
At 1 January 2015	39	11	7,460	7,510
Profit for the year	-	•	2,000	2,000
Dividends: Equity capital	•	-	(156)	(156)
At 31 December 2015	39	11	9,304	9,354

Company statement of changes in equity Year ended 31 December 2014

	capital	Capital redemption reserve	Profit and loss account	Total equity
	£000	£000	£000	£000
At 1 January 2014	39	11	5,616	5,666
Profit for the year	-	-	7,000	7,000
Dividends: Equity capital	-	-	(5,156)	(5,156)
At 31 December 2014	39	11	7,460	7,510
Dividends: Equity capital	-	-	(5,156)	(5

Consolidated statement of cash flows Year ended 31 December 2015

	2015 £000	2014 £000
Cash flows from operating activities	2000	£000
Profit for the financial year	2,943	2,976
Adjustments for:	·	·
Tax charge	753	789
nterest receivable	(129)	(116)
Depreciation of tangible assets	681	612
Profit on disposal of tangible assets	(62)	(336)
Fair value movements recognised in profit and loss	(147)	-
Decrease/(increase) in stocks	1,281	(476)
Decrease in debtors	1,629	903
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(744)	559
Corporation tax paid	(702)	(846)
Net cash generated from operating activities	5,503	4,065
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(765)	(507)
Sale of tangible fixed assets	68	897
nterest received	129	116
Net cash from investing activities	(568)	506
Cash flows from financing activities		
Repayment of other loans	(30)	(31)
Dividends paid	(156)	(7,156)
Net cash used in financing activities	(186)	(7,187)
Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	4,749	(2,616)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	10,584	13,200
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of year	15,333	10,584
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of year comprise:		
Cash at bank and in hand	15,333	10,584

Notes to the financial statements Year ended 31 December 2015

1. Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material on relation to the financial statements.

1.1 General information and basis of preparation

T Crossling & Co Limited ('the company') and its subsidiaries (together 'the group') are merchants to the plumbing, pipeline and tool trades.

The company is a private company limited by shares and is incorporated and domiciled in the United Kingdom. The address of the registered office is given in the company information page of these financial statements.

The group and individual financial statements of T Crossling & Co Limited have been prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland' ('FRS 102') and the Companies Act 2006.

The group and individual financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis and under the historical cost convention. They are presented in pounds sterling, which is the functional currency of the group and rounded to £000.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in section 408 of the Companies Act from disclosing its individual profit and loss account.

Explanation of transition to FRS 102

This is the first year that the group and company has presented its financial statements under FRS 102. The last financial statements under the previous UK GAAP were for the year ended 31 December 2014. The date of transition to FRS 102 was 1 January 2014.

The transition to FRS 102 has not resulted in any accounting policy changes (compared to those used previously). Profit for the year ended 31 December 2014, and total equity at 1 December 2014 and 31 December 2014 are the same under FRS 102 as they were previously reported under 'old' UK GAAP.

The group and company has not applied any of the optional transition exemptions available within FRS 102.

FRS 102 - reduced disclosures for qualifying entities

FRS 102 allows a qualifying entity certain disclosure exemptions. The company meets the definition of a qualifying entity in respect of its individual financial statements, and has taken advantage of the following exemptions:

- from preparing a statement of cash flows; and
- from certain financial instruments disclosures,

on the basis that equivalent disclosures are included in the consolidated financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements Year ended 31 December 2015

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.2 Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements present the results of group and its subsidiaries as if they formed a single entity. Intercompany transactions and balances are therefore eliminated in full.

1.3 Revenue recognition

Turnover comprises revenue recognised in respect of goods supplied during the year, net of returns, discounts and rebates allowed by the company and Value Added Tax. The company recognises revenue on despatch / collection of the goods.

Rental income (within other operating income) is recognised on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Interest receivable is recognised on an accruals basis.

1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the bases set out below:

Freehold property - 50 years
Long leasehold property - 50 years
Plant, fixtures and fittings - 3 to 10 years
Motor vehicles - 4 years

1.5 Investment property

Investment properties are measured at fair value at each balance sheet date, with any changes in fair value recognised in the profit and loss account. Investment properties are not depreciated.

1.6 Investments

In the company balance sheet, investments in subsidiaries are measured at cost less impairment.

Notes to the financial statements Year ended 31 December 2015

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.7 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to sell. Stocks are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related revenue is recognised.

Cost is determined on the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method, and reflects the invoice price adjusted for retrospective rebates and allowances.

Provision is made where necessary for obsolete or slow-moving stocks.

1.8 Financial instruments

The company and group only enter into basic financial instruments transactions that result in the recognition of financial assets and liabilities like trade and other accounts receivable and payable and loans to related parties, including fellow group companies.

All such financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction price, and subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

At the end of each reporting period financial assets are assessed for impairment, and their carrying value reduced if necessary. Any impairment charge is recognised in the profit and loss account.

1.9 Current and deferred taxation

Current tax is the amount of income tax payable (or receivable) in respect of the taxable profit (or loss) for the current or past reporting periods. It is measured at the amount expected to be paid or recovered using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax arises from timing differences, which are differences between taxable profits and profit as stated in the financial statements. These timing differences arise from the inclusion of income and expense in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in the financial statements.

Deferred tax is recognised on all timing differences, with certain exceptions. Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits.

Deferred tax is measured using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date that are expected to apply to the reversal of timing differences.

Notes to the financial statements Year ended 31 December 2015

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.10Pensions

Defined benefit pension plan

The group operates a defined benefit plan for certain employees. The scheme was closed to new members on 1 October 2000, and accrual of benefits for existing members ceased on 31 October 2011.

The amount recognised in the balance sheet in respect of the defined benefit plan is the net of the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the reporting date and the fair value of the plan assets at the reporting date.

The defined benefit obligation is calculated using the projected unit credit method. The group engages annually with independent actuaries to calculate the obligation. The present value is determined by discounting the estimated future payments using market yields on high quality corporate bonds that are denominated in sterling and that have terms approximating the estimated period of the future payments ('discount rate').

The plan's assets comprise listed equities and bonds; their fair value is the quoted price on the reporting date.

Defined contribution pension plan

The group operates a defined contribution plan for its employees. Contributions are recognised as an expense when they fall due. Amounts due but not yet paid are included within creditors on the balance sheet.

The assets of both the defined benefit and defined contribution plan are held separately from the group in independently administered funds.

1.11 Operating leases

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the profit or loss on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Notes to the financial statements Year ended 31 December 2015

2. Judgments in applying accounting policies and key sources of estimation uncertainty

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Significant judgments in applying the entity's accounting policies

No significant judgements were required, other than those involving estimates which are set out below.

Key sources of estimation uncertainty

Accounting estimates, by definition, will seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are addressed below:

Defined benefit pension scheme

The group has an obligation to defined benefit pension benefits to certain employees and past employees. The cost of these benefits and the present value of the obligation depend on a number of factors, including; life expectancy, pension increases, asset valuations and the discount rate on corporate bonds. Management estimates these factors in determining the net pension obligation (or asset) in the balance sheet. The assumptions reflect historical experience and current trends. Management have sought advice from an independent, qualified actuary to establish a reasonable range for the various assumptions, and the actuary has performed all the ensuing calculations.

See note 23 for disclosures relating to the defined benefit pension scheme. The scheme is currently in surplus (calculated assuming a continuing basis) however no asset has been recognised in the balance sheet, as the directors consider there is insufficient certainty that the surplus will ultimately be realised by the group.

Useful lives of tangible fixed assets

The annual depreciation charge for tangible fixed assets is sensitive to changes in the estimated useful lives and the residual values of the assets, which are re-assessed annually and amended when necessary to reflect current estimates. There have been no changes in the estimation bases during the current reporting period. See note 11 for the carrying amount of fixed assets and note 1.4 for the useful lives of each class of asset.

Stock provisioning

Some of the group's stock lines are subject to changing consumer tastes, and/or product advances. As a result it is necessary to consider the need for a provision against the cost of stocks. When calculating the stock provision, management considers the nature and condition of the stock, as well as applying assumptions around anticipated future saleability. See note 14 for the carrying amount of stock (stated net of provisions) and note 5 for the effect of stock provisioning in the reported result.

Impairment of debtors

The company makes an estimate of the recoverable value of trade and other debtors. When assessing impairment of trade and other debtors, management considers factors including the current credit rating of the debtor, the ageing profile and historical experience. See note 15 for the carrying amount of the debtors and associated impairment provision.

Notes to the financial statements Year ended 31 December 2015

Estimates and judgements (continued)

Valuation of investment property

Investment properties are valued based on the terms of the leases in place at the date of the valuation. A nominal equivalent yield is applied to the future rental cash flows from the property to generate the market value of the property. The nominal equivalent yield applied is assessed by reference to similar market transactions.

The 2015 valuations were undertaken by the directors, informed by market knowledge obtained during recent commercial lease negotiations.

3. Turnover

The whole of the turnover is attributable to the sale of goods in connection with the group's principal activity, as described in the strategic report.

All turnover arose within the United Kingdom.

4. Other operating income

	2015 £000	2014 £000
Rents receivable	93	-
5. Operating profit		•
The operating profit is stated after charging/(crediting):		
	2015 £000	2014 £000
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	681	612
Profit on disposal of tangible fixed assets	(62)	(39)
Profit on disposal of tangible fixed assets (disclosed separately)	-	(297)
Stock recognised as an expense	35,826	41,689
Impairment of stock (net of reversals)	(85)	226
Operating lease rentals	287	297

Stock impairments / reversals are included in cost of sales.

Notes to the financial statements Year ended 31 December 2015

6.	Auditor's remuneration		
	•	2015 £000	2014 £000
	Fees payable to the company's auditor for the audit of the parent company financial statements and the group consolidated financial statements	2	2
	Fees payable to the company's auditor for other services:		
	- the audit of the company's subsidiaries	24	22
	- taxation services	4	4
7.	Employees		
	Staff costs, including directors' remuneration, were as follows:		
		2015 £000	2014 £000
	Wages and salaries	5,516	5,577
	Social security costs	452	459
	Other pension costs	198	198
		6,166	6,234
	The average monthly number of employees, including the directors follows:	, during the y	rear was as
		2015	2014
		No.	No.
	Distribution	244	250
	Administration	28	28
		272	278

Notes to the financial statements Year ended 31 December 2015

8.	Directors' remuneration		
		2015 £000	2014 £000
	Directors' emoluments	214	217
	Company contributions to defined contribution pension schemes	48	46
		262	263

During the year retirement benefits were accruing to 3 directors (2014 - 3) in respect of defined contribution pension schemes.

The highest paid director received remuneration of £58,000 (2014 - £43,000).

Company contributions paid to a defined contribution pension scheme in respect of the highest paid director amounted to £33,000 (2014 - £32,000).

9. Interest receivable and similar income

	2015 £000	2014 £000
Bank interest receivable	129	116
•		

Notes to the financial statements Year ended 31 December 2015

10.	Taxation		
		2015	2014
	Current tax	£000	£000
		740	700
	UK Corporation tax on profits for the year	710	789
	Adjustments in respect of previous periods	(2)	(16)
	Total current tax	708	773
	Deferred tax		
	Origination and reversal of timing differences	46	13
	Adjustment in respect of prior periods	-	1
	Effect of change in tax rates	(1)-	2
	Total deferred tax	45	16
	Tax on profit on ordinary activities	753	789

Factors affecting tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year is higher than (2014 - lower than) the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 20.25% (2014 - 21.49%). The differences are explained below:

	2015 £000	2014 £000
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	3,696	3,765
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 20.25% (2014 - 21.49%) Effects of:	748	809
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	37	56
Adjustments to tax charge in respect of prior periods	(2)	(14)
Non-taxable capital gain on property disposal	-	(64)
Non-taxable gain on property revaluation	(29)	-
Effect of changes in tax rates	(1)	2
Total tax charge for the year	753	789

Notes to the financial statements Year ended 31 December 2015

11. Tangible fixed assets

Group

	Freehold property £000	Long-term leasehold property £000	Plant and machinery £000	Motor vehicles £000	Total £000
Cost			,		
At 1 January 2015	5,007	883	2,437	2,037	10,364
Additions	-	-	275	490	765
Disposals	-	-	(86)	(397)	(483)
Transfers between classes	(751)	-	-	-	(751)
At 31 December 2015	4,256	883	2,626	2,130	9,895
Depreciation					
At 1 January 2015	1,712	168	1,941	1,651	5,472
Charge for the year	111	18	198	354	681
On disposals	-	-	(80)	(397)	(477)
Transfers between classes	(218)	-	-	-	(218)
At 31 December 2015	1,605	186	2,059	1,608	5,458
Net book value					
At 31 December 2015	2,651	697	567	522 ———————————————————————————————————	4,437
At 31 December 2014	3,296	715	497	386	4,894

Included in freehold property is land of £603,000 (2014 - £761,000) which is not depreciated.

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12. Investment property

Group

	Freehold investment
	property
	£000
Valuation	
Transfers between classes	533
Surplus on revaluation	147
At 31 December 2015	680
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If the investment properties had been accounted for under the historic cost accounting rules, the properties would have been measured as follows:

	2015 £000	2014 £000
Historic cost	751,000	-
Accumulated depreciation and impairments	(218,000)	-
	533,000	-
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13. Fixed asset investments

Company

Investments in subsidiary companies £000

Cost
At 1 January 2015 and 31 December 2015

Net book value

At 31 December 2015

3,585

At 31 December 2014

3,585

The company owns 100% of the ordinary share capital of the following companies, all of which are incorporated in the UK:

Name	Nature of business
Crossling Limited	Plumbers, pipeline and tool merchants
Crossling Properties Limited	Property management
Northern Tools and Accessories Limited	Dormant
Potter Cowan (Pipe Fittings) Limited	Dormant
Crossling CBM Limited	Dormant
Crossling Mitchells Limited	Dormant
Crossling Bancroft Limited	Dormant
Stockplas Limited	Dormant

The company's investments in Crossling Limited and Crossling Properties Limited are direct ownership, all other investments are indirect ownership.

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14.	Stocks			-	
		Group 2015 £000	Group 2014 £000	Company 2015 £000	Company 2014 £000
	Finished goods and goods for resale	5,088	6,369	-	-
15.	Debtors	Group	Group	Company	Company
		2015 £000	2014 £000	2015 £000	2014 £000
	Trade debtors	7,984	9,766	-	-
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	-	-	6,132	4,288
	Other debtors	-	1	-	-
	Prepayments and accrued income	573	419	-	-
	Deferred tax asset (note 17)	2	47		-
	:	8,559	10,233	6,132	4,288

Trade debtors are stated after provisions for impairment of £339,000 (2014 - £618,000).

16. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Group 2015 £000	Group 2014 £000	Company 2015 £000	Company 2014 £000
Other loans	-	30	-	-
Trade creditors	2,592	3,238	-	-
Amounts owed to group undertakings	-	-	363	363
Corporation tax	414	408	-	-
Other taxation and social security	551	592	-	-
Other creditors	10	10	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	324	383	-	-
	3,891	4,661	363	363

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17.	Financial instruments				
		Group 2015 £000	Group 2014 £000	Company 2015 £000	Company 2014 £000
	Financial assets				
	Financial assets that are debt instruments measured at amortised cost	7,984	9,767	6,133	4,288
	Financial liabilities				
	Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	2,926	3,661	363	363
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Financial assets measured at amortised cost comprise trade and other debtors and amounts owed by group undertakings.

Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost comprise trade and other creditors, amounts owed to group undertakings and accruals.

18. Deferred taxation

Group

		Deferred tax asset
		£000
At 1 January 2015		47
Charged to the profit or loss		(45)
At 31 December 2015	=	2
The deferred tax asset is made up as follows:		
	Group	Group
	2015 £000	2014 £000
Fixed assets timing differences	(4)	44
Short term timing differences	6	3
•	2	47

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19. Share capital

2015 £000	2014 £000
39	39
	£000

There is a single class of ordinary shares which carry no fixed right to income. There are no restrictions on the distribution of dividends and the repayment of capital.

20. Reserves

Capital redemption reserve

The capital redemption reserve is a non distributable reserve.

Other reserves

Other reserves is a merger reserve arising on a group reconstruction.

Profit and loss account

The profit and loss account represents cumulative profits and losses, net of dividends. Consolidated profit and loss reserves included unrealised gains on investment properties of £147,000. This amount is not distributable until the gains are realised through disposal of the properties.

21. Parent company profit for the year

The company has taken advantage of the exemption allowed under section 408 of the Companies Act 2006 and has not presented its own profit and loss account in these financial statements. The profit after tax of the parent company for the year was £2,000,000 (2014 - £7,000,000).

22. Dividends

	2015 £000	2014 £000
Dividends paid on equity capital	156	5,156

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23. Pension commitments

(a) Defined contribution scheme

The group operates a defined contribution pension scheme whose assets are held in a seperate trustee administered fund. The pension costs for the year in respect of this scheme were £198,000 (2014 - £198,000). Pension contributions of £25,000 (2014: £17,000) were owed to the scheme at the year end.

(b) Defined benefit scheme

The company also operates a funded pension scheme, the T. Crossling & Co Limited Staff Pension and Assurance Scheme (the "Plan"). This provides benefits based on final pensionable earnings. The assets of the plan are held in separate trustee administered funds.

Under the scheme, the employees are entitled to retirement benefits varying on a percentage of final salary on reaching retirement age of 65. No other post-retirement benefits are provided. The scheme is a funded scheme. The scheme is closed to new members.

The employer expects to make no further contributions to the scheme which was closed to future accrual on 31 October 2011 with all active members at this date becoming deferred members.

The amounts recognised in the balance sheet are as follows:

•	2015 £000	2014 £000
Fair value of plan assets	21,080	21,248
Present value of plan liabilities	(16,584)	(17,326)
Limit on recognition of surplus	(4,496)	(3,922)
Net pension asset on balance sheet	-	_
The amounts recognised in profit or loss are as follows:		
·	2015	2014
	£000	£000
Expected return on plan assets	560	699
Interest on obligation	(560)	(699)
Total	-	-

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23. Pension commitments (continued)

Movements in the present value of the defined benefit obligation were as follows:

	2015	2014
	£000	£000
Opening defined benefit obligation	17,326	16,192
Interest cost	560	699
Actuarial (gain)/loss	(613)	1,069
Benefits paid	(689)	(634)
Closing defined benefit obligation	16,584	17,326
Changes in the fair value of scheme assets were as follows:		
	2015	2014
	£000	£000
Opening fair value of scheme assets	21,248	20,226
Interest income on plan assets	560	699
Actuarial gain/(loss)	(39)	957
Benefits paid	(689)	(634)
Closing fair value of scheme assets	21,080	21,248

The cumulative amount of actuarial gains and losses recognised in the consolidated statement of other comprehensive income was £Nil (2014 - £Nil).

The group expects to contribute £Nil to its funded pension scheme in 2016.

Principal actuarial assumptions at the balance sheet date (expressed as weighted averages):

	2015 %	2014 %
Discount rate	3.6	3.3
Expected return on scheme assets at 31 December	5.5	5.5
Future pension increases	2.35	2.25
Inflation (consumer price index)	2.4	2.3

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23. Pension commitments (continued)

Amounts for the current and previous four periods are as follows:

Defined benefit obligation Scheme assets	2015 £000 (16,584) 21,080	2014 £000 (17,326) 21,248	2013 £000 (16,192) 20,226	2012 £000 (16,231) 19,096	2011 £000 (14,556) 17,766
Surplus (not recognised)	4,496	3,922	4,034	2,865	3,210

24. Commitments under operating leases

At 31 December 2015 the group had future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

•	Group 2015	Group 2014
	£000	£000
Payments due		
Not later than 1 year	263	245
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	617	571
Later than 5 years	91	117
	971	933

The company had no commitments under non-cancellable operating leases.

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25. Related party transactions

Group

Key management personnel remuneration in the year totalled £262,000 (2014 - £263,000).

Dividends paid to the directors in the year were £156,000 (2014 - £5,156,000).

Loan from Claire Errington Limited

(R R Errington is a director of Claire Errington Limited)

Amount outstanding at the reporting date:

£nil

(2014 - £30,000)

The loan accrues interest at the same highest rate payable to the group on bank deposits.

Creditor due to Brocks Properties

(a partnership owned and controlled by persons connected to R R Errington and C P H Errington, who themselves have minority holdings)

Amount outstanding at the reporting date

£31,000

(2014 - £36,000)

Expense for the year (rent)

£48,000

(2014 - £44,000)

The group acts as agent for Brocks Properties collecting rent on their behalf. The amount within creditors represents amounts collected but not yet transferred.

Company

Other than the payment of dividends disclosed above, the company's other related party transactions were with its wholly owned subsidiaries and so have not been disclosed.

26. Ultimate controlling party

The directors consider there to be no controlling party.