# Callers-Linden Holdings Limited

# Director's report and financial statements Registered number 03083842 27 March 2014

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## Strategic report

The director presents the strategic report for the year ended 27 March 2014.

#### Principal activities

The Company's principal activity is the ownership and operation of a hotel.

#### **Business review**

The financial results for the year ended 27 March 2014 are contained in the profit and loss account on page 5.

The principal risks and uncertainties affecting the business include the following:

- The impact of current economic conditions on consumer spending levels: the company operates in an industry which is impacted by consumer spending levels. The fact that our hotel operates in a variety of markets including corporate, leisure, conference and functions, provides us with adequate sheltering from the impact of any drop in consumer spending levels.
- Debtors: the company maintains strong relationships with each of its key customers and has established credit control parameters. Appropriate credit terms are agreed with key customers and these are closely monitored.
- Competitive risk: the company operates in competitive markets. Product development by competitors could adversely affect the company. The Company's focus on quality and standards together with the continual investment in its product reduces the possible effect of action by any single competitor.

Key areas of strategic development and performance of the business include:

- Sales and marketing: significant efforts are made to develop our brand and ensure new business is being won continually; new markets have been developed; key customer relationships are monitored on a regular basis.
- Competitive advantage: the Company focuses on areas where it has a competitive advantage including quality and value and the development of its people which places it well in terms of superior long term income/cash flow growth potential.

Key financial performance indicators include the monitoring of the management of profitability and working capital.

	2014	2013	Measure
Financial			
Gross (loss)/profit %	(4)%	4%	Gross (loss)/profit /Turnover*100
Debtors days	8	11	Trade debtors/Turnover * days in accounting year.

Key non-financial performance indicators include the monitoring of quality, environmental impact and energy consumption. The directors are satisfied with the progress the Company has made during the year and will continue to focus on quality together with limiting the Company's environmental impact and energy consumption.

The director has prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis as explained in note 1 to the financial statements, under the section "Basis of Preparation".

By order of the board

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RG Fraser Director 1 Finsbury Circus London EC2M 7SH

23 December 2014

## Director's report

The director presents the director's report and financial statements for the year ended 27 March 2014.

#### Dividend

The director does not recommend the payment of a dividend (2013: £nil).

#### Director

The director who held office during the year and to the date of this report were as follows:

**RG Fraser** 

#### Disclosure of information to auditor

The director who held office at the date of approval of this director report confirm that, so far as he is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditor is unaware; and that he has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a director to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditor is aware of that information.

#### Auditor

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

By order of the board

RG Fraser

Director

1 Finsbury Circus London EC2M 7SH

23 December 2014

# Statement of director's responsibilities in respect of the Strategic Report, Director's Report and the financial statements

The director is responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, Director's Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the director to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Under company law the director must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and 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; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will
   continue in business.

The director is 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 have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.



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## Independent auditor's report to the members of Callers-Linden Holdings Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Callers-Linden Holdings Limited for the year ended 27 March 2014 set out on pages 5 to 14. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and UK Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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 director and auditor

As explained more fully in the Director's Responsibilities Statement set out on page 3, the director is 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

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate.

#### **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 27 March 2014 and of its loss for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with UK 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 Strategic Report and the Director's 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 director's remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Alex Sanderson (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of KPMG LLP, Statutory Auditor

Chartered Accountants

23 December 2014

# Profit and loss account for the year ended 27 March 2014

	Note	Year ended 27 March 2014 £000	Year ended 28 March 2013 £000
Turnover		2,934	2,934
Cost of sales		(3,051)	(2,811)
Gross (loss)/profit .		(117)	123
Administrative expenses		(148)	(137)
Operating loss		(265)	(14)
Group interest receivable		11	8
Loss on sale of tangible fixed assets		(8)	-
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	2	(262)	(6)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	4	178	(161)
Loss for the financial year	10	(84)	(167)

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than those reported above.

The result for the year has been derived from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 8 to 14 form an integral part of these financial statements.

# Balance sheet at 27 March 2014

	Note	2014 £000	2013 £000
Fixed assets Tangible assets	5	6,919	6,997
Current assets Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	6 7	36 186 3	61 331 3
		225	395
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(454)	(618)
Net current liabilities		(229)	(223)
Net assets		6,690	6,774
Capital and reserves Called up share capital Share Premium Profit and loss account	9 10 10	500 5,439 751	500 5,439 835
Equity Shareholders' funds		6,690	6,774

The notes on pages 8 to 14 form an integral part of these financial statements.

These financial statements were approved by the director on 23 December 2014.

RG Fraser Director

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#### Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds

for the year ended 27 March 2014

	Year ended 27 March 2014	Year Ended 28 March 2013
	£000	£000
Loss for the financial year Opening shareholders' funds	(84) 6,774	(167) 6,941
Closing shareholders' funds	6,690	6,774

#### **Notes**

(forming part of the financial statements)

#### 1 Accounting policies

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

#### Financial year

These financial statements are drawn up for the 52 week period ended 27 March 2014.

#### Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and under the historical cost accounting rules

The company is exempt from the requirement of Financial Reporting Standard No 1 to prepare a cash flow statement as it is a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking of Macdonald Hotels Limited, and its cash flows are included within the consolidated cash flow statement of that company.

As the company is a wholly owned subsidiary of the group headed by Macdonald Hotels Limited, the company has taken advantage of the exemption contained in FRS 8 and has therefore not disclosed transactions or balances with entities which form part of the group (or investees of the group qualifying as related parties). These group accounts can be obtained from the address given in note 12.

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis, notwithstanding the loss of £84,000 incurred in the financial year and the net current liabilities of £229,000 at the financial year end, which the directors believe to be appropriate for the following reasons. The day to day working capital requirements of Callers-Linden Holdings Limited are provided by the ultimate parent undertaking, Macdonald Hotels Limited. The directors of Macdonald Hotels Limited have indicated to the directors of Callers-Linden Holdings Limited that Macdonald Hotels Limited will continue to provide such funds as are necessary to enable it to continue to trade and to meet its liabilities as they fall due and that Macdonald Hotels Limited will not seek repayment of the amounts currently made available. As with any company placing reliance on other group companies for financial support, the directors acknowledge that there can be no certainty that this support will continue although, at the date of approval of these financial statements, they have no reason to believe that it will not do so.

Based upon the undertaking of financial support outlined above, and after making appropriate enquiries, the directors of Callers-Linden Holdings Limited have a reasonable expectation that Callers-Linden Holdings Limited has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, the directors continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the company's annual financial statements.

#### Fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost less the estimated residual value of tangible fixed assets by equal instalments over their estimated useful economic lives as follows:

Land - not depreciated
Freehold hotel properties - 50 years
Fixed plant - 20 years
Furniture, fixtures and equipment - 4 -10 years
Motor vehicles - 4 years
Projects in progress - not depreciated

Any impairment in the value of hotel property is charged to the profit and loss account or statement of total recognised gains or losses, as appropriate in the financial year to which it relates.

#### Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

#### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

#### **Taxation**

The charge for taxation is based on the result for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes.

Deferred tax is recognised, without discounting, in respect of all timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes which have arisen but not reversed by the balance sheet date, except as otherwise required by FRS 19.

#### **Turnover**

Turnover represents the invoiced value of sales, excluding Value Added Tax, recognised at the point in time at which the service is provided. All the company's turnover arises in the UK from its principal activity.

#### 2 Loss on ordinary activities before taxation

Loss on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging	Year ended 27 March 2014 £000	Year ended 28 March 2013 £000
Depreciation	243 	237
Auditor's remuneration: Amounts receivable by the auditor and their associates in respect of: Audit of these financial statements	Year ended 27 March 2014 £000	Year ended 28 March 2013 £000

Auditor's remuneration is borne by the company's holding company.

#### 3 Staff numbers and costs

The company has no employees other than the directors. All employees costs are recharged by a fellow group company as noted below:

	Number		
	2014	2013	
Average employees	103	94	

## 3 Staff numbers and costs (continued)

The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:

	Year ended 27 March 2014 £000	Year ended 28 March 2013 £000
	2000	2000
Wages and salaries	1,131	1,029
Social security costs	77	69
Other pension costs	5	2
	1,213	1,100
		======
4 Taxation		
The tax charge comprises:		
	Year ended	Year ended
	27 March 2014	28 March 2013
Current tax	£000	£000
Current year – group relief payable	(85)	56
Adjustment in respect of prior periods	(93)	105
Total current tax (credit)/charge	(178)	161

#### 4 Taxation (continued)

Factors affecting the tax for the current year

The current tax credit (2013: charge) for the year is higher (2013: higher) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 23% (2013: 24%). The differences are explained below.

	Year ended 27 March 2014 £000	Year ended 28 March 2013 £000
Current tax reconciliation		
Loss on ordinary activities before tax	(262)	(6)
Current tax at 23% (2013: 24%)	(60)	(1)
Effects of:		
Depreciation on assets ineligible for capital allowances	1	6
Difference between capital allowances and depreciation	(26)	51
Adjustment in respect of prior periods	(93)	105
	44.500	
Current tax (credit)/charge for year	(178)	161

#### Factors affecting the tax charge for future years

The company has a deferred tax asset of £92,000 (2013: £244,000) which has not been recognised due to uncertainty over the availability of future suitable profits to utilise the asset.

The elements of the unrecognised deferred tax asset are as follows:

	2014 £000	2013 £000
Difference between accumulated depreciation and capital allowances	92	244

Reductions in the UK corporation tax rate from 26% to 24% (effective from 1 April 2012) and to 23% (effective 1 April 2013) were substantively enacted on 26 March 2012 and 3 July 2012 respectively. Further reductions to 21% (effective from 1 April 2014) and 20% (effective from 1 April 2015) were substantively enacted on 2 July 2013. This will reduce the company's future current tax charge accordingly. The unrecognised deferred tax asset at 27 March 2014 has been calculated based on the rate of 20% substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

# 5 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings £000	Fixed plant £000	Vehicles, fixtures and equipment £000	Projects in progress £000	Total £000
Cost					
At beginning of year	6,138	297	4,162	38	10,635
Additions Disposals	-	• •	(7)	172	172 (7)
Transfers	-	-	77	(77)	-
At end of year	6,138	297	4,232	133	10,800
Depreciation	<del></del>		-		
At beginning of year	395	98	3,145	-	3,638
Charge for year	4	15	224		243
At end of year	399	113	3,369	-	3,881
Net book value			<del> </del>	<del></del>	
At 27 March 2014	5,739	184	863	133	6,919
At 28 March 2013	5,743	199	1,017	38	6,997
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The cost of land and buildings includes £4,002,000 (2013: £4,002,000) of land which is not depreciated.

#### 6 Stocks

	2014 £000	2013 £000
Goods for resale		61
7 Debtors		
	2014 £000	2013 £000
Debtors Other debtors and prepayments Group relief receivable Amounts owed by group undertakings	66 35 85	90 31 - 210
Amounts owed by group undertakings	186	331

# 8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

		2014 £000	2013 £000
Trade creditors Other creditors		192 13	204 48
Accruals and deferred income		94	95
Other taxes & social securities	•	106	110
Amounts due to group undertakings		49	- 161
Group relief payable		<u>-</u>	
		454	618
9 Called up share capital			
		2014	2013
		£000	£000
Authorised			
1000 Ordinary shares of £1 each		1,000	1,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid	•	<del></del>	
500 Ordinary shares of £1 each		500	500
		<del></del>	
10 Reserves			
		Profit and Loss	
	Share Premium	Account	Total
	£000£	£000	£000
At beginning of year	5,439	835	6,274
Loss for the financial year		(84)	(84)
At end of year	5,439	751	6,190

# Notes (continued)

#### 11 Contingent liabilities

The Company is party to joint and several guarantees, with other group members, including Macdonald Hotels Limited, in respect of bank borrowings. The Company's liability in respect of these guarantees at 27 March 2014 amounted to £296 million (2013: £324 million). The group's bankers hold a fixed charge over all of the Company's property.

The company also has an obligation under the group VAT registration amounting at 27 March 2014 to £7.7 million (2013: £2.0 million).

#### 12 Ultimate parent company and parent undertaking of larger group of which the company is a member

The company's ultimate parent undertaking is Macdonald Hotels Limited which is incorporated in Scotland. The only group in which the company's accounts are consolidated is headed by Macdonald Hotels Limited. Copies of the consolidated financial statements of this company can be obtained from Whiteside House, Bathgate, West Lothian, EH48 2RX.