Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 January 2016

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Company directory

Registered Office

3 Sheldon Square. Paddington London United Kingdom W2 6PX

Directors

P. Moore J-N. Groleau

Company Secretary

R. Cordeschi

Auditor

Deloitte LLP Chartered Accountants London United Kingdom

Directors' report

The directors present their annual report and audited financial statements of New England Paint Company Limited (the "Company") for the financial year ended 31 January 2016.

Principal activities and review of the business

The Company operates as an investment company within the Kingfisher plc group (the "Group"). The directors currently envisage the Company will continue these operations for the foreseeable future.

Results and Dividends

The profit for the year, after taxation, amounted to £679,000 (2014/15: £620,000). The profit for the year was primarily derived from interest receivable on loans to Group undertakings.

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend for the year (2014/15: £nil). The directors did not pay an interim dividend during the year (2014/15: £nil)

Directors

The directors, who served throughout the year except as noted, were as follows:

D. Paramor (resigned 7 September 2015)

R.C.F. Wardle (resigned 4 July 2016)

J-N. Groleau (appointed 11 September 2015).

P.Moore (appointed 4 July 2016)

Company Secretary

The company secretaries of the Company, who served during the year were as follows:

K. Hudson (resigned 27 February 2015)

D. Morris (appointed 27 February 2015; resigned 7 August 2015)

R. Cordeschi (appointed 7 August 2015)

Going concern

The directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company and the Group have adequate resources to continue in operational existence. Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual financial statements.

Small company concessions

This directors' report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions relating to small companies under section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

Directors' report (continued)

Auditor

Deloitte LLP will continue to hold office in accordance with section 487 of the Companies Act 2006.

Statement of disclosure of information to auditor

Each of the persons who is a director at the date of approval of this report confirms that:

- so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditor is unaware;
 and
- the director has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information 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 S418 of the Companies Act 2006

Statement of Directors' responsibilities

The following statement, which should be read in conjunction with the independent auditor's report, is made with a view to distinguishing for shareholders the responsibilities of the directors and the auditor in relation to these financial statements.

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report including 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 Financial Reporting Standard 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework. Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- · make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether Financial Reporting Standard 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework has 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 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.

By order of the board:

J-N. Groleau Director 11 July 2016

Independent auditor's report to the members of New England Paint Company Limited

We have audited the financial statements of New England Paint Company Limited for the year ended 31 January 2016 which comprise the Income Statement, the Statement of Changes in Equity the Balance Sheet, and the related notes 1 to 11. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework.

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 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 annual 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 company's affairs as at 31 January 2016 and of its 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[s] prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

Independent auditor's report to the members of New England Paint Company Limited (continued)

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.
- the directors were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption in preparing the Directors' Report of from the requirement to prepare the Strategic Report.

Gareth Roberts

Senior statutory auditor

for and on behalf of Deloitte LLP

Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor

London

11 July 2016

Income Statement

for the year ended 31 January 2016

£'000	Notes	2015/16	2014/15
Finance income	3	850	788
Profit before taxation		850	788
Income tax expense	6_	(171)	(168)
Profit for the year		679	620
Total comprehensive income for the year		679	620

The notes on pages 10 to 12 form part of the financial statements.

All of the above transactions relate to continuing operations. There was no other comprehensive income during the current and preceding year and accordingly a separate statement of comprehensive income has not been prepared.

Statement of changes in equity

at 31 January 2016

Share capital	Share premium	Retained earnings	Total
1,078	118,433	654	120,165
-		679	679
⁻ 1,078	118,433	1,333	120,844
1,078	118,433	34	119,545
-		620	620
1,078	118,433	654	120,165
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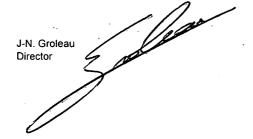
Balance sheet

At 31 January 2016

£,000	Notes	2015/16	2014/15
Non-current assets	·		
Investments in subsidiaries	7	59,755	59,755
Current assets			
Other receivables	8	61,205	60,524
Total assets		120,960	120,279
Current liabilities			
Current tax liabilities		(116)	(114)
Total liabilities		(116)	(114)
Net assets		120,844	120,165
Share capital .	9	1,078	1,078
Share premium		118,433	118,433
Retained earnings		1,333	654
Total equity		120,844	120,165

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The financal statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 11 July 2016 and signed on its behalf by:



Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 31 January 2016

1 Principal accounting policies

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.

a. Basis of preparation

New England Paint Company Limited is a company incorporated in the United Kingdom under the Companies Act. The address of the registered office is given on page 2. The nature of the company's operations and its principal activities are set out in the directors' report on pages 3 and 4.

The Company meets the definition of a qualifying entity under FRS 100 (Financial Reporting Standard 100) issued by the Financial Reporting Council. Accordingly, in the year ended 31 January 2016 the Company has changed its accounting framework from UK GAAP to FRS 101 (Financial Reporting Standard 101) as issued by the Financial Reporting Council and has, in doing so, applied the requirements of IFRS 1.6-33 and related appendices. These financial statements were prepared in accordance with FRS 101 'Reduced Disclosure Framework' as issued by the Financial Reporting Council. The prior year financial statements were not required to be re-stated on adoption of FRS 101 in the current year. For more information see note 11.

The current financial year is the calendar year ended 31 January 2016 ('the year' or '2015/16'). The comparative financial year is the 52 weeks ended 31 January 2015 ('the prior year' or '2014/15'). The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards in the United Kingdom and the Companies Act 2006.

These financial statements are separate financial statements. The Company is exempt under section 400 of the Companies act 2006 from the preparation of consolidated financial statements as it is included in the group accounts of its ultimate parent, Kingfisher plc.

As permitted by FRS 101, the Company has taken advantage of the disclosure exemptions available under that standard in relation to presentation of a cash-flow statement, and related party transactions. Where required, equivalent disclosures are given in the consolidated accounts of Kingfisher plc. The consolidated accounts of Kingfisher plc are publically available.

b. Going concern

The directors of New England Paint Company Limited, having made appropriate enquiries, consider that adequate resources exist for the Company to continue in operational existence and that, therefore, it is appropriate to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing these financial statements.

c. Interest receivable

Interest receivable is accrued on a daily basis.

d. Taxation

The income tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax. The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year.

Taxable profit differs from profit before taxation as reported in the income statement because it excludes items of income or expense which are taxable or deductible in other years or which are never taxable or deductible.

e. Investments in subsidiary companies

Investments in subsidiary companies are held at cost less accumulated impairment losses.

Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 31 January 2016

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The preparation of the financial statements under FRS101 requires the Company to make estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts. 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. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates, judgements and assumptions which have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

a. Impairment of investments

As required, the Company applies procedures to ensure that its assets are carried at no more than their recoverable amount. The procedures, by their nature, require estimates and assumptions to be made. The most significant are set out below.

At each reporting date the Company is required to assess whether there is objective evidence that its investments in subsidiaries may be impaired. This requires estimates of the investments' recoverable amounts, including present values of the Company's share of future cash flows.

3 Finance income

£'000 ·	2015/16	2014/15
Interest receivable from Group undertakings	850	788
Finance income	850	788

4 Directors' Remuneration

None of the directors received any emoluments from the Company in respect of the financial year ended 31 January 2016 (2014/15: £nil).

5 Auditor's Remuneration

The auditor's remuneration of £1,000 (2014/15: £1,000) is borne by Kingfisher plc. No recharge will be made to the Company for these costs.

6 Income tax expense

£'000	2015/16	2014/15
UK corporation tax		
Current tax on profits for the year	171	168
Income tax expense	171	168

Factors affecting tax charge for the year

The UK corporation tax rate decreased from 21% to 20% from 1 April 2015. Accordingly, the Company's profits for this accounting period are taxed at a blended rate of 20.17% (2014/15: 21.33%).

From 1 April 2017 the rate of Corporation Tax will fall from 20% to 19%, and from 1 April 2020 will fall again to 18%. These changes have been enacted.

In March 2016 the UK Government announced that the reduction in the statutory rate from 1 April 2020 would be 2%, resulting in a rate of 17%. As this further reduction has not yet been substantively enacted, the impact is not included in these financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 31 January 2016

7 Investments

€'000	Investments in subsidiary undertakings
Net book value	
At 1 February 2015	59,755
At 31 January 2016	59,755
At 2 February 2014	59,755
At 31 January 2015	59,755

The Company holds 100% of the ordinary share capital of Sheldon Poland Investments Limited, a company incorporated in the UK. Sheldon Poland Investments Limited's main function is as an investment company.

8 Other receivables

£'000		2015/16	2014/15
Current	•	 	
Amounts owed by Group undertakings	•	61,205	60,524
Other receivables		61,205	60,524

Amounts owed by Group undertakings are sterling denominated. £56m (2014/15: £56m) of the balance is accruing interest at a floating rate, based on 1 year LIBOR (London Interbank Offer Rate) plus a margin of 52 basis points, which at the year-end was 1.55% (rate for the year 2014/15: 1.50%). The remaining £5m (2014/15: £5m) of the balance is accruing interest at a floating rate, based on 1 week LIBOR less a margin of 25 basis points. These balances have no fixed date of repayment.

9 Share capital

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· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Number of	Ordinary share
	ordinary	-
	shares	capital
	thousands	£'000
At 1 February 2015	1,078	1,078
At 31 January 2016	1,078	1,078

10 Explanation of transition to FRS 101

This is the first year that the Company has presented its financial statements under FRS 101 issued by the Financial Reporting Council. The last financial statements under previous GAAP (UK GAAP) were for the year ended 31 January 2015 and the date of transition to FRS 101 was therefore 2 February 2014.

There were no material amendments on the adoption of FRS 101.

11 Ultimate holding company

The Company's immediate parent undertakings are Sheldon Holdings Limited, a company incorporated in the United Kingdom and registered in England and Wales, and Castorama Polska Sp.Zo.o., a company incorporated and registered in Poland.

The Company's ultimate parent company is Kingfisher plc, which is incorporated in the United Kingdom and registered in England and Wales. A copy of the Annual Report and Accounts for Kingfisher plc can be obtained from www.kingfisher.com.

The largest and smallest group into which the Company's financial statements are consolidated is that headed by Kingfisher plc, the Company's ultimate parent company.