

Directors' Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 March 2015



#### **Company Information**

**Directors** Anthony Dean

Jane Lloyd Andrew Lovell Vikas Chamaria Marco Heil

Alternatives to Directors William Wolfe

Daniel PicardConway RuddPeter Smith

Secretary Hackwood Secretaries Limited

Company number 04195299

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#### **Directors' Report**

#### For the year ended 31 March 2015

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

#### Principal activities

The principal activities of the company throughout the year was the development, implementation and maintenance of an electronic system to facilitate the matching of precious metal transfers instigated by its Members.

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

The following directors have held office since 1 April 2014:

Anthony Dean

Jane Lloyd

Maria Colantonio

(Resigned 1 May 2015)

Andrew Lovell

Martyn Whitehead

(Resigned 13 April 2015)

Rai Kumar

(Resigned 3 February 2015)

**David Mitchell-Innes** 

(Appointed 3 February 2015 and resigned 18 August 2015)

Marco Heil

(Appointed 1 May 2015)

V Chamaria

(Appointed 24 April 2015)

#### **Alternates to directors**

Who are also directors for the purposes of the Companies Act:

William Wolfe

(Alternate to Anthony Dean)

**Daniel Picard** 

(Alternate to Maria Colantonio and Marco Heil)

Conway Rudd

(Alternate to Jane Lloyd)

**David Mitchell-Innes** 

(Alternate to Raj Kumar)

(Resigned 3 February 2015)

Peter Smith

(Alternate to Andrew Lovell)

#### **Directors' interests**

None of the directors who held office at the end of the financial year had any disclosable interest in the company.

#### **Auditors**

The auditors, Kingston Smith LLP, are deemed to be reappointed under section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006.

Directors' Report (Continued)

For the year ended 31 March 2015

#### Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing 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 United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). 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;
- 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.

#### Statement of disclosure to auditors

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware. Additionally, the directors have taken all the necessary steps that they ought to have taken as directors in order to make themselves aware of all relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

On behalf of the board

Anthony Dean Director

874 SEPTEMBER 2015

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## Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of London Precious Metals Clearing Limited

We have audited the financial statements of London Precious Metals Clearing Limited for the year ended 31 March 2015 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008) (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities).

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 auditors' 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 auditors

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 March 2015 and of its loss for the year then ended;
- 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.
- 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 Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of London Precious Metals Clearing 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; or
- the directors were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemption in preparing the directors' report and from preparing a strategic report.

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Jon Sutcliffe (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of Kingston Smith LLP

22/9/2015

Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditor

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# Profit and Loss Account For the year ended 31 March 2015

	Notes	2015 £	2014 £
Turnover		223,599	167,300
Administrative expenses		(288,543)	(214,795)
Operating loss	2	(64,944)	(47,495)
Other interest receivable and similar income	3	33	56
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation		(64,911)	(47,439)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	4	(7)	(11)
Loss for the year	8	(64,918)	(47,450)

#### **Balance Sheet**

#### As at 31 March 2015

		201	5	201	4
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	5		3,900		5,850
Current assets					
Debtors	6	11,737		24,189	
Cash at bank and in hand		67,247		101,451	
		78,984		125,640	
Creditors: amounts falling due within					
one year	7	(22,654)		(6,342)	
Net current assets			56,330		119,298
Total assets less current liabilities		•	60,230		125,148
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Profit and loss account	8		60,230		125,148
Shareholders' funds			60,230		125,148

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

Approved by the Board for issue on 8th SEPTEMBER 2015

Director

Company Registration No. 04195299

#### Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 March 2015

#### 1 Accounting policies

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

#### 1.2 Compliance with accounting standards

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), which have been applied consistently (except as otherwise stated).

#### 1.3 Turnover

Turnover represents subscription income net of value added tax and has been included in the financial statements on an accruals basis.

#### 1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Computer equipment straight line over 3 years

2	Operating loss	2015 \ £	2014 £
	Operating loss is stated after charging:	-	-
	Depreciation of tangible assets	1,950	-
	Auditors' remuneration	4,160	4,000
3	Investment income	2015	2014
		£	£
	Bank interest	33	56
		33	56
4	Taxation	2015	2014
		£	£
	Domestic current year tax		
	U.K. corporation tax	7	11
	Total current tax	7	11

Under the tax principle of mutuality, corporation tax has not been provided on the trading profits and losses of the company. Corporation tax is only provided on the investment income during the year.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the year ended 31 March 2015

5	Tangible fixed assets		Plant and
			machinery etc £
	Cost At 1 April 2014 & at 31 March 2015		132,350
	Depreciation At 1 April 2014 Charge for the year		126,500 1,950
	At 31 March 2015		128,450
	Net book value At 31 March 2015		3,900
	At 31 March 2014		5,850
6	Debtors	2015 £	2014 £
	Trade debtors Other debtors	11,737	902 23,287 24,189
7	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2015 £	2014 £
	Taxation and social security Other creditors	7 22,647	11 6,331
		22,654	6,342

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the year ended 31 March 2015

#### 8 Statement of movements on profit and loss account

Profit and loss account

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Balance at 1 April 2014 Loss for the year 125,148 (64,918)

Balance at 31 March 2015

60,230

#### 9 Financial commitments

At 31 March 2015 the company was committed to making the following payments under non-cancellable operating leases in the year to 31 March 2016:

·	2015	2014
	£	£
Operating leases which expire:		•
Within one year	5,974	39,610
Between two and five years	51,600	51,600
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·	57,574 ·	91,210

#### 10 Control

The Company is limited by guarantee. The liability of the members is limited to £10 each.

#### 11 Post balance sheet events

Subsequent to the year end, Deutsche Bank AG have announced that they will resign as a member of the London Precious Metals Clearing Limited, effective from 18 August 2015.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the year ended 31 March 2015

#### 12 Related party relationships and transactions

The following were members of the London Precious Metals Clearing Limited during the financial year:

The Bank of Nova Scotia
Deutsche Bank AG (resigned 18 August 2015)
HSBC Bank (USA) N.A. (resigned 11 February 2015)
HSBC Bank Plc
J P Morgan Chase Bank N.A.
UBS AG London Branch
Barclays Bank Plc

Income wholly related to subscriptions charged to the above members. Membership subscriptions for the year ended 31 March 2014 amounted to £223,599 (2014: £167,300).

London Precious Metals Clearing Limited currently banks with HSBC Bank Plc.

Management Information For the year ended 31 March 2015

## Detailed Trading and Profit and Loss Account For the year ended 31 March 2015

		2015		2014
	£	£	£	£
Turnover				
Membership Income		223,599		167,300
Administrative expenses		(288,543)		(214,795)
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Operating loss		(64,944)		(47,495)
Other interest receivable and similar income				
Bank interest received		33		56
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Loss before taxation		(64,911)		(47,439)

## Schedule of Administrative Expenses

## For the year ended 31 March 2015

	2015	2014
•	2015	2014
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Administrative expenses		
Computer service fees	151,978	131,489
General administrative fee	11,316	9,801
Legal and professional fees	118,384	69,194
Accountancy	615	175
Audit fees	4,160	4,000
Bank charges	140	136
Depreciation	1,950	-
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