Annual Report and Accounts

Year ended 31 March 2017

Company number: 07037133

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STRATEGIC REPORT for the year ended 31 March 2017

The directors present their Strategic Report for the year ended 31 March 2017

Principal activities

39 Victoria Street Limited ("the company") is a wholly owned subsidiary of The British Land Company PLC and operates as a constituent of The British Land Company PLC group of companies ("the group").

The company's principal activity is that of an investment holding company in the United Kingdom (UK)

Business review

As shown in the company's Profit and Loss Account on page 5, the company's turnover is £nil compared to turnover of £nil in the prior year and profit on ordinary activities before taxation is £nil compared to profit on ordinary activities before taxation of £80,004,315 in the prior year.

Dividends of £nil (2016. £78,000,000) were paid in the year

The Balance Sheet on page 7 shows that the company's financial position at the year end is, in net asset terms, has remained consistent compared with the prior year

The Board uses total return, to monitor the performance of the company. This is a measure of growth in total equity per share, adding back any current year dividend.

The company is a subsidiary of The British Land Company PLC. The company's strategy is the same as the group's strategy – to deliver an above average annualised total return to shareholders, which is achieved by creating attractive environments in the right places focused around the people who work, shop and live in them

The expected future developments of the company are determined by the strategy of the group. There are no future developments outside of the company's current operations planned.

For more information also see The British Land Company PLC group annual report

The performance of the group, which includes the company, is discussed in the group's annual report which does not form part of this report.

Principal risks and uncertainties

This company is part of a large property investment group. As such, the fundamental underlying risks for this company are those of the property group as discussed below

The group generates returns to shareholders through long-term investment decisions requiring the evaluation of opportunities arising in the following areas:

- demand for space from occupiers against available supply,
- identification and execution of investment and development strategies which are value enhancing,
- availability of financing or refinancing at an acceptable cost;
- · economic cycles, including their impact on tenant covenant quality, interest rates, inflation and property values,
- legislative changes, including planning consents and taxation,
- · engagement of development contractors with strong covenants,
- · key staff changes, and
- environmental and health and safety policies

These opportunities also represent risks, the most significant being change to the value of the property portfolio. This risk has high visibility to directors and is considered and managed on a continuous basis. Directors use their knowledge and experience to knowingly accept a measured degree of market risk.

The group's preference for prime assets and their secure long term contracted rental income, primarily with upward only rent review clauses, presents lower risks than many other property portfolios

STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED) for the year ended 31 March 2017

Principal risks and uncertainties (continued)

The company has no third party debt. It therefore has no interest rate exposure.

The financial risks for the company are managed in accordance with the group financial risk management policy, as disclosed in the consolidated group accounts

This report was approved by the Board on 11/10/11 and signed by the order of the board by.

Director

N. WEBB

DIRECTORS' REPORT for the year ended 31 March 2017

The directors present their Annual Report on the affairs of the company, together with the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2017

Environment

Across the group, The British Land Company PLC recognises the importance of its environmental responsibilities, monitors its impact on the environment, and designs and implements policies to reduce any damage that might be caused by the group's activities. The company operates in accordance with group policies. The group's full sustainability report is available online at www.britishland.com/sustainability/reports-and-publications/2017.

Directors

The directors who were in office during the year and up to the date of signing the financial statements were.

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Directors' responsibilities statement

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual 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 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.

The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions

The company has indemnified its current directors. The indemnity arrangements are qualifying indemnity provisions under the Companies Act 2006 and are currently in force at the date of this Annual Report.

Subsequent events

Details of significant events since the Balance Sheet date, if any, are contained in note 11

Going concern

The directors consider the company to be a going concern and the accounts are prepared on this basis. Details of this are shown in note 1 of the financial statements

DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) for the year ended 31 March 2017

Audit Exemption taken for the year ended 31 March 2017

The company is exempt from the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to the audit of individual accounts by virtue of Section 479A of that Act, as disclosed on page 143 of The British Land Company PLC Annual Report and Accounts 2017 The ultimate holding company and controlling party is The British Land Company PLC

This report was approved by the Board on 11 120/17 and signed by the order of the board by.

Director

N-WEBB

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 March 2017

	Note	2017 £	2016 £
Income from shares in group undertakings		-	80,000,000
Operating profit		-	80,000,000
Selling costs written off			4,315
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	2	•	80,004,315
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	4	-	-
Profit for the financial year		-	80,004,315

Turnover and results are derived from continuing operations within the United Kingdom

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME for the year ended 31 March 2017

	2017 £	2016 £
Profit for the financial year	-	80,004,315
Total comprehensive income for the year		80,004,315

BALANCE SHEET as at 31 March 2017

	Note	2017 £	2016 £
Fixed assets Investments	5	38,000,002	38,000,002
Current assets		38,000,002	38,000,002
Debtors	6	41,213,198	19,714
		41,213,198	19,714
Creditors due within one year	7	(78,000,000)	(36,806,516)
Net current liabilities		(36,786,802)	(36,786,802)
Net assets		1,213,200	1,213,200
Capital and reserves Called up share capital	8	1	1
Profit and loss account	ō	1,213,199	1,213,199
Total equity		1,213,200	1,213,200

For the year ending 31 March 2017, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under Section 479A of the Companies Act 2006 relating to subsidiary companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts

The financial statements of 39 Victoria Street Limited, company number 07037133, on pages 5 to 13, were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 110 / 120 / 120 and signed on its behalf by

Director

N.WEBB

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY for the year ended 31 March 2017

	Called up share capital £	Profit and loss account £	Total equity £
Balance at 1 April 2015	1	(791,116)	(791,115)
Profit for the financial year	-	80,004,315	80,004,315
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	80,004,315	80,004,315
Dividends payable in year		(78,000,000)	(78,000,000)
Balance at 31 March 2016	1	1,213,199	1,213,200
Result for the financial year	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year		-	-
Balance at 31 March 2017	1	1,213,199	1,213,200

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS for the year ended 31 March 2017

1. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted by the directors are summarised below. They have all been applied consistently throughout the current year and previous year.

Basis of preparation

The company is incorporated and domiciled in the United Kingdom under the Companies Act 2006. The address of the registered office is York House, 45 Seymour Street, London, W1H 7LX.

These financial statements were prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework ("FRS 101")

In preparing these financial statements, the company applies the recognition, measurement and disclosure requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU ("Adopted IFRSs"), but makes amendments where necessary in order to comply with Companies Act 2006 and has set out below where advantage of the FRS 101 disclosure exemptions has been taken

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for the assets.

These financial statements are separate financial statements. The company is exempt from the preparation of consolidated financial statements, because it is included in the group accounts of The British Land Company PLC.

The company has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemptions under FRS 101:

- (a) The requirements of IAS 1 to provide a Balance Sheet at the beginning of the year in the event of a prior year adjustment,
- (b) The requirements of IAS 1 to provide a Statement of Cash flows for the year,
- (c) The requirements of IAS 1 to provide a statement of compliance with IFRS,
- (d) The requirements of IAS 1 to disclose information on the management of capital,
- (e) The requirements of paragraphs 30 and 31 of IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors to disclose new IFRS's that have been issued but are not yet effective,
- (f) The requirements in IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures to disclose related party transactions entered into between two or more members of a group, provided that any subsidiary which is a party to the transaction is wholly owned by such a member;
- (g) The requirements of paragraph 17 of IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures to disclose key management personnel compensation;
- (h) The requirements of IFRS 7 to disclose financial instruments; and
- (i) The requirements of paragraphs 91-99 of IFRS 13 Fair Value Measurement to disclose information of fair value valuation techniques and inputs

Disclosure exemptions for subsidiaries are permitted where the relevant disclosure requirements are met in the consolidated financial statements. Where required, equivalent disclosures are given in the group accounts of The British Land Company PLC are available to the public and can be obtained as set out in note 12.

Going concern

The Balance Sheet shows that the company has net current liabilities. However, the principal creditor is the ultimate parent company and the terms of the borrowing include the right of the subsidiary to request that the amount of the loan equal to any deficit be eliminated by converting the loan into share capital

As a consequence of this the directors feel that the company can continue to trade for the foreseeable future and is well placed to manage its business risks successfully in the current economic climate. Accordingly, they believe the going concern basis is an appropriate one

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) for the year ended 31 March 2017

1. Accounting policies (continued)

Significant judgements and sources of estimation uncertainty

The key source of estimation uncertainty relates to the valuation of the property portfolio and investments, where an external valuation is obtained. In accounting for net rental income, the group is required to judge the recoverability of any income accrued and provides against the credit risk on these amounts. The potential for management to make judgements or estimates relating to those items which would have a significant impact on the financial statements is considered, by the nature of the group's business, to be limited.

Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at the lower of cost and the underlying net asset value of the investments

Taxation

Current tax is based on taxable profit for the year and is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted. Taxable profit differs from net profit as reported in the Profit and Loss Account because it excludes items of income or expense that are not taxable (or tax deductible).

Deferred tax is provided on items that may become taxable at a later date, on the difference between the Balance Sheet value and tax base value, on an undiscounted basis

Shares in group undertakings

Shares in group undertakings, including dividends received from group subsidiaries, are recognised in the Profit and Loss Account in the period to which they relate.

2. Profit on ordinary activities before taxation

Auditors' remuneration

No non-audit fees (2016: £nil) were paid to the group auditors during the year, in respect of this company

3. Staff numbers and costs

No director received any remuneration for services to the company in either year. The remuneration of the directors was borne by another company within the group, for which no apportionment or recharges were made.

Average number of employees, excluding directors, of the company during the year was nil (2016: nil)

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) for the year ended 31 March 2017

4. Tax on profit on ordinary activities

	2017 £	2016 £
Current tax UK corporation tax	<u>-</u>	
Total current taxation charge	•	-
Tax reconciliation		
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	-	80,004,315
Tax on profit on ordinary activities at UK corporation tax rate of 20% (2016 20%)	-	16,000,863
Effects of: Income not taxable for tax purposes Transfer pricing adjustments Group relief claimed for nil consideration	211,295 (211,295)	(16,000,863) - -
Total tax expense		-

Reductions to the UK corporation tax rate from 20% to 19% (effective from 1 April 2017) were substantively enacted on 26 October 2015. A further reduction to 17% (effective 1 April 2020) was substantively enacted on 6 September 2016. These rate reductions have been reflected in the calculation of deferred tax at the Balance Sheet date, where relevant

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) for the year ended 31 March 2017

5. Investments

VAT

		Shares in subsidiaries £	Total £
Underlying net asset value of investment 1 April 2016		38,000,002	38,000,002
31 March 2017		38,000,002	38,000,002
Underlying net asset value of investment 1 April 2015		38,000,002	38,000,002
31 March 2016		38,000,002	38,000,002
Provisions for underlying net asset change 1 April 2016			_
31 March 2017		<u>-</u>	
Provisions for underlying net asset change 1 April 2015		•	-
31 March 2016		<u> </u>	-
At cost 31 March 2017		38,000,002	38,000,002
31 March 2016		38,000,002	38,000,002
The company has investments in the following subsi York House, 45 Seymour Street, London, W1H 7LX.	diaries, unless noted otherwise the	e registered address of ea	ch company is
Subsidiary Apartpower Limited	Principal activity Property investment	Interest 100% Er	Country ngland & Wales
The company holds ordinary shares in the above subs	idiary companies.		
6. Debtors			
		2017 £	2016 £
Current debtors (due within one year)	_	44 402 404	
Amounts owed by group companies - current accounts	3	41,193,484	-

Amounts due from group companies are repayable on demand. There is no interest charged on these balances

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) for the year ended 31 March 2017

7. Creditors due within one year

	2017 £	2016 £
Amounts owed to group companies - current accounts	78,000,000	36,806,516
	78,000,000	36,806,516

Amounts owed to group companies are repayable on demand. Interest is charged on these balances in accordance with the group policy on intercompany loan accounts.

8. Share capital

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	2017 £	2016 £
Issued share capital - allotted, called up and fully paid		
Ordinary share of £1 Balance as at 1 April and 31 March 1 share	1	1

9. Capital commitments

The company had capital commitments contracted as at 31 March 2017 of £nil (2016 £nil)

10. Contingent liabilities

The company is jointly and severally liable with the ultimate holding company and fellow subsidiaries for all monies falling due under the group VAT registration

11. Subsequent events

There have been no significant events since the year end

12. Immediate parent and ultimate holding company

The immediate parent company is BL Office (Non-City) Holding Company Limited.

The British Land Company PLC is the smallest and largest group for which group accounts are available and which include the company The ultimate holding company and controlling party is The British Land Company PLC Group accounts for this company are available on request from York House, 45 Seymour Street, London, W1H 7LX.