Company Registered Number: 07707973

# **Sybenetix Limited**

**Annual Report and Financial Statements** 

For the year ended 31 December 2022



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## **Company Information**

## **Directors**

R Woodford

V Bannert-Thurner

L Wikner

C Wessels

L Ottersgard

(appointed 20 July 2022)

(appointed 30 April 2022)

(resigned 1 May 2022)

(resigned 1 July 2022)

(resigned 30 April 2022)

## **Independent Auditors**

BKL Audit LLP 35 Ballards Lane London

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## **Registered Office**

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## **Registration Number**

07707973

## **Directors' Report**

The directors present their Annual Report and audited financial statements of Sybenetix Limited (the 'Company') for the year ended 31 December 2022.

A strategic report has not been prepared by the directors as the Company is considered a small company. Under the provisions of Companies Act 2006 it is exempt from preparing the strategic report.

#### Principal activities and Review of the Business

The principal activity of the Company is to provide behavioural analytics focused on the development of market surveillance and compliance monitoring software solutions for banks, asset managers, hedge funds, exchanges, and regulators.

The directors were satisfied with the performance of the Company during the year ended 31 December 2022 and they are confident that current sales performance can be sustained in the future, while costs are continuously monitored in order to improve overall performance.

#### **Directors indemnity insurance**

The Company has made qualifying third party indemnity provisions for the benefit of its Directors of any parent, subsidiary or fellow subsidiary which were made during the year and remain in force at the date of this report.

#### **Future Developments**

The contracts with the existing customer base came to an end in November 2022, with the final tranches of revenue being recognised in January 2023. Meanwhile the existing transfer pricing agreements with other Nasdaq entities as well as Sybenetix Ukraine will continue but costs will decline in line with reduced operations.

#### **Results and Dividends**

The Company's loss for the year after taxation amounted to £406,814 (2021: loss of £1,962,027). The directors do not recommend the payment of an interim dividend and a final dividend (2021: £nil).

## **Going Concern**

In accordance with their responsibilities, the directors of the Company have considered the appropriateness of the going concern basis, which has been used in the preparation of these financial statements. The Company's Ultimate parent Company, NASDAQ Inc. has confirmed that they will continue to provide financial support to the Company for at least 12 months from the date of approval of these accounts. As a result, the directors believe that the Company is well placed to manage its business risks.

The directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

### Policy and practice on payment of creditors

It is the Company's policy to settle all debts with its creditors on a timely basis, taking account of the credit period agreed with each supplier.

## **Directors' Report (continued)**

#### **Directors**

The directors who served the Company during the year or at the date of this report were as follows:

R Woodford (appointed 20 July 2022)

V Bannert-Thurner (appointed 30 April 2022)

L Wikner (resigned 1 May 2022)

C Wessels (resigned 1 July 2022)

L Ottersgard (resigned 30 April 2022)

### Disclosure of information to the Auditors

So far as each person who was a director at the date of approving this report is aware, there is no relevant audit information, being information needed by the auditor in connection with preparing its report, of which the auditor is unaware. Having made enquiries of fellow directors and the Company's auditor, each director has taken all the steps that he/she is obliged to take as a director in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

#### Post balance sheet events

There have been no events after the reporting date which would have a material effect on the Company's financial statements as at 31 December 2022.

#### **Auditors**

The auditors, BKL Audit LLP, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed on behalf of the Board by:

R Woodford

Director

Date: 14/09/2023

## Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the 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 period. Under that law they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standards 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 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 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.

## Independent Auditor's Report to the members of Sybenetix Limited

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Sybenetix Limited (the 'Company') for the year ended 31 December 2022 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Statement of Other Comprehensive Income, the Statement of Financial Position, the Statement of Changes in Equity and the related notes 1 to 18, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2022 and of its loss 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.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least 12 months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue. Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in this report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of the other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

## **Independent Auditor's Report (continued)**

### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which 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 prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Directors' Report and from the requirement to prepare a Strategic Report.

### Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement set out on page 10, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

# Explanation as to what extent the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- Enquiring of management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims;
- Enquiring of entity staff in compliance functions to identify any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations;

## **Independent Auditor's Report (continued)**

Explanation as to what extent the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud (continued)

- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work over the risks of management override of controls, including walkthrough, testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK), we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our Auditors' Report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our Auditors' Report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

## **Independent Auditor's Report (continued)**

#### Use of our report

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.

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Geeta Morgan FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor) For and on behalf of BKL Audit LLP, Chartered Accountants & Statutory Auditor London

Date: 14/09/2023

# Profit and Loss Account<sup>1</sup> For the year ended 31 December 2022

		2022	2021
	Notes	£	£
Turnover	4	1,885,044	1,157,608
Administrative expenses		(2,026,528)	(3,247,969)
Other operating income	5	12,833	251,255
Operating loss		(128,651)	(1,839,106)
Interest payable and similar charges		(290,365)	(122,921)
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation		(419,016)	(1,962,027)
Tax credit	8	12,202	_
Loss for the financial year		(406,814)	(1,962,027)

All amounts are in respect of continuing operations.

There are no adjustments recognised in the statement of Other Comprehensive Income other than the loss for the financial year attributable to the shareholders of the Company and therefore no Statement of Comprehensive Income has been separately presented.

The notes on pages 12 to 23 form part of these financial statements.

## Statement of financial position

## As at 31 December 2022

	. •	2022	2021
	Notes	£	£
Fixed assets			
Intangible fixed assets	10	43,233	29,897
Tangible fixed assets	11	4,071	51,758
Investments	12	280,000	280,000
Total fixed assets		327,304	361,655
Current assets			•
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	13	427,430	219,481
Cash at bank and in hand		618,517	701,839
Total current assets		1,045,947	921,320
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	(11,566,238)	(11,069,148)
Net current liabilities		(10,520,291)	(10,147,828)
Net liabilities		(10,192,987)	(9,786,173)
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	15	8,361	8,361
Share premium account		324,285	324,285
Profit and loss account		(10,525,633)	(10,118,819)
Shareholders' deficit		(10,192,987)	(9,786,173)

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on \_\_\_\_\_ and were signed on its behalf by:

R Woodford

Director

Date: 14/09/2023

The notes on pages 12 to 23 form part of these financial statements.

# Statement of Changes in Equity For the year ended 31 December 2022

	Called up share capital	Share premium account	Profit and loss account	Total shareholders' funds
	<u>£</u>	£	£	£
Shareholder's funds at 1 January 2021	8,361	324,285	(8,156,792)	(7,824,146)
Loss for the financial year	<del>_</del>		(1,962,027)	(1,962,027)
Shareholder's funds at 31 December 2021	8,361	324,285	(10,118,819)	(9,786,173)
Shareholder's funds at 1 January 2022	8,361	324,285	(10,118,819)	(9,786,173)
Loss for the financial year			(406,814)	(406,814)
Shareholder's funds at 31 December 2022	8,361	324,285	(10,525,633)	(10,192,987)

- Called up share capital represents the nominal value of shares that have been issued.
- Share premium account represents the amount subscribed for share capital in excess of nominal value.
- Profit and loss account includes all current year and prior year accumulated profits and losses less dividends paid.

The notes on pages 12 to 23 form part of these financial statements.

#### Notes to the accounts

## For the year ended 31 December 2022

## 1 Statutory information

Sybenetix Limited is a company incorporated and domiciled in England and Wales, registration number 07707973. The registered office is 22 Bishopsgate, London, England, EC2N 4BQ.

## 2 Accounting policies

#### Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in compliance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102, 'The Financial Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland' ('FRS 102') and the Companies Act 2006.

The functional and presentational currency is pound sterling. All amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest pound.

The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

#### **Disclosure exemptions**

In preparing these financial statements the Company has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemptions conferred by FRS 102:

 The financial statements do not include a statement of cash flows as the Company's results are included as a wholly owned subsidiary in the financial statements of Nasdaq Inc. which are publicly available.

#### **Exemption from preparing consolidated financial statements**

The Company, and the Group headed by it, qualify as small as set out in section 383 of the Companies Act 2006 and the parent and Group are considered eligible for the exemption to prepare consolidated accounts under section 401 of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Intangible fixed assets

An internally generated intangible fixed asset arising from the development of software is recognised only if all of the following conditions are met:

- It is probable that the asset will create future economic benefits;
- · The development costs can be measured reliably;
- · Technical feasibility of completing the intangible fixed assets can be demonstrated;
- · There is the intention to complete the asset and use or sell it;
- · There is the ability to use or sell the asset; and
- Adequate technical, financial and other resources to complete the development and to use or sell the assets are available.

Internally generated intangible fixed assets are amortised over their estimated useful lives which is between three to eight years. Where no internally generated intangible fixed asset can be recognised, development expenditure is charged to the income statement in the period in which it is incurred.

### Notes to the accounts

## For the year ended 31 December 2022

## 2 Accounting policies (continued)

#### Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The Company's Ultimate Parent Company, NASDAQ Inc. has confirmed that they will continue to provide financial support to the Company for at least 12 months from the date of approval of these accounts. As a result, the directors believe that the Company is well placed to manage its business risks.

#### **Turnover**

Turnover represents the net amount receivable for services provided in the normal course of business, net of discounts, VAT and other sales related taxes. Turnover is recognized in the period that the service has been provided.

The Company operates a transfer pricing agreement with Smarts Broker Compliance PTY LTD whereby associated costs are re-charged at a cost plus 6% generating additional revenues.

#### Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated in the statement of financial position at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses. 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:

Software & Equipment 20% reducing balance

The assets' residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted prospectively if appropriate, or if there is an indication of a significant change since the last reporting date.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised in the Profit and Loss Account.

### **Basic financial instruments**

## Trade and other debtors / creditors

Trade and other debtors are recognised initially at transaction price plus attributable transaction costs. Trade and other creditors are recognised initially at transaction price less attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses in the case of trade debtors. If the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, for example if payment is deferred beyond normal business terms, then it is measured at the present value of future payments discounted at a market rate of instrument for a similar debt instrument.

## **Debtors**

Debtors are amounts due from other group companies for services performed under the transfer pricing agreement.

#### Notes to the accounts

## For the year ended 31 December 2022

## 2 Accounting policies (continued)

#### **Trade creditors**

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less (or in the normal operating cycle of the business if longer). If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

#### **Current and deferred taxation**

Tax on the profit or loss for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the profit and loss account except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in equity or other comprehensive income, in which case it is recognised directly in equity or other comprehensive income.

Current tax is the expected tax payable or receivable on the taxable income or loss for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.

Deferred tax is provided on timing differences which arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in the financial statements. Deferred tax is not recognised on permanent differences arising because certain types of income or expense are non-taxable or are disallowable for tax or because certain tax charges or allowances are greater or smaller than the corresponding income or expense.

Deferred tax is measured at the tax rate that is expected to apply to the reversal of the related difference, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date. Deferred tax balances are not discounted.

Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that is it probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits.

#### Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate prevailing at the date of the transaction.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date.

All translation differences are taken to the profit and loss account.

#### Interest receivable and payable

Interest income and expenses are recognised on an accrual basis.

#### **Employee benefits**

#### **Defined contribution plans**

A defined contribution plan is a post-employment benefit plan under which the Company pays fixed contributions into a separate entity and will have no legal or constructive obligation to pay further amounts. Obligations for contributions to defined contribution pension plans are recognised as an expense in the profit and loss account in the periods during which services are rendered by employees.

### Notes to the accounts

## For the year ended 31 December 2022

## 2 Accounting policies (continued)

#### Share based payments

Nasdaq Inc. has issued share options and restricted stock units to certain directors and employees of the Company. They are measured at the fair value and recognised as an expense in the income statement, over the vesting period with the corresponding increase in equity. The fair value of the restricted stock units was estimated at the date of grant using an external stock market valuation method.

#### **Bad debt provision**

Management estimates are based upon accounts receivable ageing analysis whereby reserves percentages are applied to outstanding invoices net of credit memos, categorised by ageing buckets. On an annual basis a validation of the appropriateness of the percentages applied is performed. Factors considered include; prior period write-offs and any specific reserves deemed necessary to address specific facts and circumstances related to a customer. The following percentages are applied -

Days since invoice origination	Reserve Percentage
0-30 days	4%
31-60 days	8%
61-90 days	15%
91-120 days	27%
121-150 days	42%
151+ days	100%

Specific reserves are recorded at 100% of the outstanding receivable based upon the following conditions; bankruptcy, financial hardship where collectability is not determinable, termination of service and business interruption.

#### **Contingent liabilities**

From time to time the company may become subject to various claims or litigations. Management have considered any current matters pending against the company. Where a claim is considered to be more likely than not to result in a cost to the company, a provision is recorded based on management's best estimate of the cost to the company of settling such claims. Based on the current facts and circumstances, management are of the opinion that no such claims exist.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand.

## 3 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with FRS 102 requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future periods affected

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.

#### 4 Turnover

87% of the Company's turnover (2021: 67%) is attributable to geographical markets outside the United Kingdom.

## Turnover by geography

	2022 £	2021
		£
United Kingdom	251,667	385,000
Bermuda	122,567	205,626
United States of America	77,072	96,468
Australia	1,433,738	470,514
Total	1,885,044	1,157,608

## **Turnover by category**

·	2022 £	2021 £
Software as a service	451,306	687,094
Services to other group companies	1,433,738	470,514
Total	1,885,044	1,157,608

### 5 Other operating income

	2022	2021 £
	£	
Project cost recharges to group companies	12,833	251,255
Total	12,833	251,255

2021

2022

## **6 Operating loss**

This is stated after charging:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets (note 11)	47,686	48,705
Amortisation of intangible fixed assets (note 10)	_	180,054
Auditors' remuneration – audit services	19,110	17,780
Loss on foreign exchange transactions	(4,271)	3,661
7 Auditors' remuneration		
	2022	2021
	£	£
Fees payable to the Company's auditor and its associates in respect of:		
Audit-related assurance services	19,110	17,780
Taxation compliance services	2,500	2,110
	21,610	19,890

## 8 Tax charge

## 8.1 Taxation on profit on ordinary activities before tax comprising:

	2022	2021
1	£	£
Deferred tax:		
Adjustment in respect of prior periods	(3,141)	_
Recognition and reversal of deferred tax asset on timing differences	(6,725)	_
Effect of differences in tax rate	(2,336)	_
Total deferred tax charge/(credit)	(12,202)	

## 8 Tax charge (continued)

## 8.2 Factors affecting tax charge/(credit) for the year

The tax assessed for the year differs from the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19%. The standard rate of corporation tax in the UK has been arrived at by reference to the corporation tax rates in effect during the year. The differences are explained below:

	2022	2021
	£	3
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	(419,016)	(1,962,027)
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of Corporation Tax in the UK of 19% (2021: 19%)	(79,613)	(372,785)
Effects of:		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	13,068	_
Group relief received for nil payment	59,820	377,130
Recognition & reversal of deferred tax on timing differences	_	(4,345)
Effect of differences in tax rate	(2,336)	_
Adjustment in respect of prior periods	(3,141)	_
Total tax (credit)/charge for the year	(12,202)	
8.3 Analysis of deferred tax (liability)/asset		
	2022	2021
	3	£
Other temporary differences	12,202	_
Deferred tax (liability)/asset	12,202	

The Company has estimated losses of £1,037,529 (2021: £1,037,529) available to carry forward against future trading profits.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted as at the Balance Sheet date. In the Finance Bill 2021, the Government announced that from 1 April 2023 the corporation tax rate would increase to 25% (rather than remaining at 19%, as previously enacted). This new law was enacted on 10 June 2021.

## 9 Staff costs

The Company did not have any employees during the year (2021: none) and therefore had no payroll costs.

	2022	2021 £
	£	
Directors	2	3
Total	2	3

No directors received any remuneration during the period in respect of their services, as they are also directors of other Nasdaq group companies, and therefore, it was not possible to determine an appropriate proportion of their specific services to the Company (2021: £nil).

## 10 Intangible fixed assets

	Research & development	
	£	
Cost		
At 1 January 2022	29,897	
Additions	13,336	
Disposals		
At 31 December 2022	43,233	
Accumulated amortisation		
At 1 January 2022		
Charge for the year		
Disposals		
At 31 December 2022	_	
Net book value		
At 31 December 2022	43,233	
At 31 December 2021	29,897	

Intangible fixed assets are recognised on development costs during the period, and amortised as development is completed.

## 11 Tangible fixed assets

	Software & equipment
	£
Cost	
At 1 January 2022	230,281
At 31 December 2022	230,281
Accumulated depreciation	
At 1 January 2021	178,523
Charge for the year	47,686
At 31 December 2022	226,209
Net book value	
At 31 December 2022	4,071
At 31 December 2021	51,758
12 Investment in subsidiary	
	Sybenetix Ukraine
	£
At 1 January 2022	280,000
At 31 December 2022	280,000

On acquisition of Sybenetix Limited by Nasdaq in 2017, the subsidiary entity Sybenetix Ukraine LLC was incorporated with an investment of £280,000.

### Name of Subsidiary

UndertakingsHoldingCountry of IncorporationNature of BusinessSybenetix Ukraine LLC100% Common StockUkraineIT Consultancy

The financial results of the subsidiary undertaking as at 31 December 2021 were as follows:

	Year ended 31 December 2022		
	ι	UAH	GBP
Share capital and reserves	30,447,	,000	681,661
Profit for the period	3,524,	,000	78,511

## 13 Debtors

Due within one year:

	2022	2021 £
	£	
Trade debtors	124,839	172,367
Other debtors	12,202	_
Amount owed by group undertakings	263,227	21,124
VAT receivable	<del>-</del>	25,990
Prepayments and accrued income	27,162	_
Total	427,430	219,481

## 14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021 £
	£	
Accrued liabilities	48,879	28,630
Amounts owed to group undertakings	11,488,327	10,909,126
Deferred revenue	29,032	131,392
VAT payable	<del></del>	_
Total	11,566,238	11,069,148

The amounts owed to group undertakings includes unsecured, interest earning loan from NASDAQ Treasury AB of £10,639,533.00 (2021: £10,778,378.12) which has no maturity date and is fully repayable on demand. All other amounts owed to group undertakings are unsecured, interest free and repayable on demand.

## 15 Called up share capital

The Camera approximation of th		2022	2021
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Called up, allotted and fully paid:	No.	•	
Ordinary shares of £0.001 each	8,361,124	8,361	8,361

Total

## 16 Related party relationships and transactions

#### Identity of related parties

A related party is a person or entity that is related to the entity that is preparing its financial statements. Related parties comprise shareholder, Board of Directors and key management personnel of the Company and their related concerns. The Company, in the ordinary course of business, enters into transactions with other business enterprises or individuals that fall within the definition of related party contained in UK GAAP FRS 102 - Section 33.

The Company has a related party relationship with its ultimate and immediate parent, other group companies and Board of Directors.

### Immediate parent company

Smarts Broker Compliance PTY Ltd (see note 17)

#### Ultimate parent company

NASDAQ Inc. (see note 17)

#### **Board of Directors (Key management personnel)**

Key management personnel are those having authority and responsibilities directly and indirectly, to control the activities of the entity and for the Company these are considered to be the Board of Directors. In addition to their salaries, the Company also provides non-cash benefits to key management personnel and contributions to a post-employment defined contribution plan on their behalf. For details of remuneration of key management personnel see note 8.

## Related parties balances:

At the year end, the Company had the following balances with its related parties:

## Due from related parties:

	2022 £	2021 £
Amounts receivable from NASDAQ Inc.	21,123	21,124
Amounts receivable from other group companies	242,103	_
Total	263,226	21,124
Due to related parties:		
	2022	2021
	£	£
Amounts payable to NASDAQ Inc.	15,839	15,839
Amounts payable to other group companies	11,472,488	10,893,287
Total	11,488,327	10,909,126

## 16 Related party relationships and transactions (continued)

#### Transactions with related parties

During the year, the Company had the following transactions with related parties:

#### Revenue from

	2022 £	2021 £
Services to other group companies	1,433,738	721,769
Total	1,433,738	721,769
Interest paid		1
·	2022	2021
	£	£
Interest payable to other group companies	290,365	122,921
Total	290,365	122,921
Allocation costs from the ultimate and immediate parent	and its subsidiaries	
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	£	£
Allocation costs from other group companies	1,944,325	2,239,500
Total	1,944,325	2,239,500

## 17 Parent undertaking and controlling party

The Company's immediate parent undertaking is is Smarts Broker Compliance PTY Ltd, a Company incorporated in Australia with the address of principal executive offices located at Level 4, 55 Harrington Street, The Rocks, Sydney, NSW 2000, Australia.

The Company's ultimate parent undertaking is NASDAQ Inc., a Company incorporated in the United States of America with the address of principal executive offices located at 151 West, 42nd Street, New York, 10036.

The directors consider the ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party to be NASDAQ Inc.

The parent undertaking of the group for which group financials statements are drawn up and which represents the smallest and largest group is NASDAQ Inc. Copies of the group financial statements can be obtained from the Group's website www.nasdaqomx.com.

## 18 Subsequent events

There have been no events after the reporting date which would have a material effect on the Company's financial statements as at 31 December 2022.