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MODERN LENDING ADVISERS LIMITED

**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019**

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COMPANY INFORMATION

Directors	Robert Scott William Hale
Registered number	08270253
Registered office	Baines House Midgery Court Preston PR2 9ZH

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**DIRECTORS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019**

The Directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019.

Principal activity

The company was previously dormant and commenced trading in March 2018 with the principal activity of the Company being that of a mortgage broker. The Company is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA).

Results and dividends

The profit for the year, after taxation, amounted to £3,605 (2018 – loss £285,319).

Going Concern

The Board of Directors have determined that it is appropriate to continue to prepare the company financial statements on a going concern basis.

In reaching this conclusion, the Board considered the increased uncertainties that all businesses are facing as a result of the coronavirus pandemic and the impact on the Group of the actions being taken by the UK Government to mitigate the health impact on the country. Specific uncertainties relating to the Group were also assessed including the likelihood of falls in house prices affecting funder appetite for equity release, reductions in customer demand as well as the ability to process customer lifetime mortgages in a timely fashion in the event of further lockdowns.

In considering the Company position, the Board of Directors have also assessed the accessibility of this Company to Group funding if required and no issues were identified.

Directors' and officers' insurance

The Company's ultimate parent company, Theo Topco Limited, maintains cover with respect to Directors' and officers' Indemnity Insurance. This insurance covers them in their roles as Directors of this Company. This insurance was in place throughout the year and up to the date of signing the financial statements.

Directors

The Directors who served during the year were:

Robert Scott
William Hale

Employee involvement

The Company has no employees, however the Group maintains a policy of regular consultation and discussion with its employees on a wide range of issues that are likely to affect their interests. The Group ensures that all employees are given regular updates of the performance of their business units and of the Group as a whole. Employee involvement is facilitated through a newsletter, the Staff Committee, regular communication briefings and an annual employee survey.

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**DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
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Disabled employees

The Group's equal opportunities policy makes it clear that full and fair consideration must be given to the appointment of disabled people. The Group is committed to a policy of recruitment and promotion on the basis of aptitude and ability without discrimination of any kind. Where an employee becomes disabled whilst employed by the Group the HR procedures require that reasonable effort is made to ensure they have the opportunity for continued employment within the Group. Retraining of employees who become disabled whilst employed by the Group is offered where appropriate to ensure that their career development is not unfairly restricted by their disability or perceptions of it.

Existence of branches of the Company outside of the United Kingdom

The Company has no branches outside of the United Kingdom.

Directors' responsibilities statement

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 applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard 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 for the Company's financial statements and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and accounting 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;
- 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 to 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.

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**DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
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Small companies note

In preparing this report, the Directors have taken advantage of the small companies exemptions provided by section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

On behalf of the board



**R Scott
Director**

21 August 2020

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**STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019**

	Note	2019 £	2018 £
Turnover		3,705	6,374
Gross profit		3,705	6,374
Administrative expenses		(100)	(291,693)
Operating profit/(loss)	2	3,605	(285,319)
Profit/(loss) for the financial year		3,605	(285,319)

The results stated above are all derived from continuing operations.

There are no items of other comprehensive income in the current or prior year other than those recorded in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019**

	Note	2019 £	2018 £
Current assets			
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	6	-	3,554
Cash at bank and in hand		2,875	13,975
		<u>2,875</u>	<u>17,529</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7	(284,588)	(302,847)
Net current liabilities		<u>(281,713)</u>	<u>(285,318)</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>(281,713)</u>	<u>(285,318)</u>
Net liabilities		<u><u>(281,713)</u></u>	<u><u>(285,318)</u></u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	8	1	1
Profit and loss account		(281,714)	(285,319)
		<u>(281,713)</u>	<u>(285,318)</u>

The directors consider that the Company is entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the Company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The notes on pages 7 to 11 are an integral part of these financial statements.

The financial statements on pages 4 to 11 were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 21 August 2020 and were signed on its behalf by:



**R Scott
Director**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019**

	Called up share capital	Profit and loss account	Total equity
	£	£	£
At 1 January 2018	1	-	1
Comprehensive Income for the year			
Loss for the year	-	(285,319)	(285,319)
At 31 December 2018	1	(285,319)	(285,318)
Comprehensive Income for the year			
Profit for the year	-	3,605	3,605
At 31 December 2019	1	(281,714)	(281,713)

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019**

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention unless otherwise specified within these accounting policies and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland and the Companies Act 2006.

The preparation of financial statements in compliance with FRS 102 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise judgment in applying the Company's accounting policies.

Going concern

After reviewing the Company's forecasts and projections, the Board of Directors have determined that the Company has adequate resources to continue to prepare the Company financial statements on a going concern basis.

The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

1.2 Financial reporting standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemptions

The company has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemptions in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by the FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland":

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows;
- the requirements of Section 3 Financial Statement Presentation paragraph 3.17(d);
- the requirements of Section 11 Financial Instruments paragraphs 11.42, 11.44 to 11.45, 11.47, 11.48(a)(iii), 11.48(a)(iv), 11.48(b) and 11.48(c);
- the requirements of Section 12 Other Financial Instruments paragraphs 12.26 to 12.27, 12.29(a), 12.29(b) and 12.29A;
- the requirements of Section 33 Related Party Disclosures paragraph 33.7.

This information is included in the consolidated financial statements of Theo Topco Limited as at 31st December 2019 and these financial statements may be obtained from Companies House.

1.3 Turnover

Turnover is wholly derived from the United Kingdom and represents sales tied to More 2 Life Ltd, another group company, at invoiced amounts less Value Added Tax or local taxes on sales.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE
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1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.4 Taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the profit for the year and taking into account taxation deferred.

Current tax is measured at amounts expected to be paid using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the date of the Statement of Financial Position.

Deferred taxation

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed by the date of the Statement of Financial Position except for deferred tax assets which are only recognised to the extent that the Company anticipates making sufficient taxable profits in the future to absorb the reversal of the underlying timing differences.

Deferred tax balances are not discounted.

1.5 Dividends

Equity dividends are recognised when they become legally payable. Interim equity dividends are recognised when they are paid. Final equity dividends are recognised when approved by the shareholders.

1.8 Reserves

The Company's reserves are as follows:

- Called up share capital reserve represents the nominal value of the shares issued.
- Profit and loss account represents cumulative profits or losses, net of dividends paid and other adjustments.

2. Operating profit/(loss)

Auditors' remuneration

Fees payable to the Company's auditors for the audit of Modern Lending Advisers Limited are borne by KRS Services Limited, a fellow subsidiary company. In the Directors' opinion a reasonable allocation of the audit fee to Modern Lending Advisers Limited would be £ Nil (2018: £2,500).

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3. Employees

	2019	2018
	£	£
Wages and salaries	-	230,802
Social security costs	-	25,459
Cost of defined contribution scheme	-	7,981
	<u>-</u>	<u>264,242</u>

The average monthly number of employees, including the Directors, during the year was as follows:

	2019	2018
	No.	No.
Sales Staff	<u>-</u>	<u>8</u>

4. Directors' remuneration

No Directors received any remuneration from the Company during the current or prior year.

The emoluments of the directors are paid by the parent company which makes no recharge to the company. The directors are directors of the parent company and a number of fellow subsidiaries and it is not possible to make an accurate apportionment of their emoluments in respect of each of the subsidiaries. Accordingly, the above details include no emoluments in respect of the directors. Their total emoluments are included in the aggregate of directors' emoluments disclosed in the financial statements of the parent company.

5. Taxation

	2019	2018
	£	£
Total current tax	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Deferred tax		
Total deferred tax	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Taxation on profit on ordinary activities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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5. Taxation (continued)

Factors affecting tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year is lower than (2018 – same as) the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2018 - 19%). The differences are explained below:

	2019 £	2018 £
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before tax	3,605	(285,319)
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2018 - 19%)	685	(54,211)
Effects of:		
Group relief surrendered/(claimed)	(685)	54,211
Total tax charge for the year	-	-

Factors that may affect future tax charges

There were no factors that may affect future tax charges.

6. Debtors

	2019 £	2018 £
Trade debtors	-	3,554
	-	3,554

7. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2019 £	2018 £
Amounts owed to Group undertakings	19,385	299,548
Other creditors	265,203	3,299
	284,588	302,847

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8. Share capital

	2019	2018
	£	£
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
1 (2018 - 1) Ordinary Shares share of £1.00	1	1

9. Post balance sheet events

The Covid-19 pandemic and the government actions to mitigate the spread of the disease are considered to be non-adjusting post balance sheet events, which do not provide more information about the conditions at the balance sheet date. The impact of these events on the Directors considerations around the going concern assumption are discussed in the Directors Report but given the Company was able to rapidly and successfully transition to working remotely and has continued to trade throughout the outbreak, the Going Concern assumption is considered to still be appropriate.

10. Ultimate Parent company

At 31 December 2019 the Company's immediate parent company was Key Retirement Solutions Limited and the Company's ultimate parent company was Theo Topco Limited.

Theo Midco Limited is the parent of the smallest group of which the Company is a member and for which consolidated financial statements are prepared. Copies of the consolidated financial statements can be obtained from Baines House, Midgery Court, Fulwood, Preston, PR2 9ZH.

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There is no ultimate controlling party by virtue of a majority shareholding of Theo Topco Limited, although Partners Group have de facto control of the Group due to the constraints imposed on the Group and executive directors through the investment agreement.