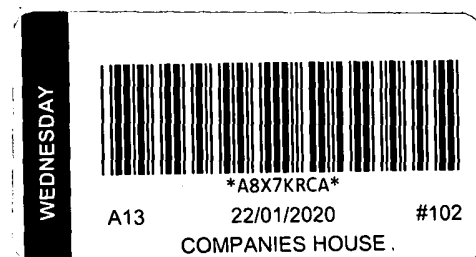


Limited Liability Partnership Registration No. OC311400 (England and Wales)

SIMKINS LLP
ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2019



SIMKINS LLP

LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP INFORMATION

Designated members	Mr J Blair Mr E Lawson Ms C Copeland Mr E J Baden-Powell Mr G Benaim Mr P J Gardiner
Limited liability partnership number	OC311400
Registered office	Lynton House 7/12 Tavistock Square London WC1H 9LT
Auditor	MGI Midgley Snelling LLP Ibex House Baker Street Weybridge Surrey KT13 8AH

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MEMBERS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2019

The members present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 30 April 2019.

Principal activities

The principal activity of the limited liability partnership continued to be that of the provision of legal services to UK and international clients.

Development and performance

The firm will continue to grow and enhance the full range of legal services it provides to people and businesses working in the media, entertaining, sport, leisure and property sectors by the recruitment of new members and by its commitment to training new and existing staff.

The profit for the year before members remuneration and profit shares was £4,451,775 (2018: £5,987,417).

Members' Interest

The capital requirements of the partnership are determined from time to time by the members. Each member is required to subscribe to a proportion of this capital and no interest is payable on the capital subscribed. No member has the right directly or indirectly to withdraw or receive back any part of the amount standing to the credit of their capital contribution account except on ceasing to be a member

Members' drawings, contributions and repayments

The members receive monthly drawings and from time to time additional profit distributions. The policy for the amount and timing of any additional profit distributions is determined by the designated members after taking into account the LLP's cash requirements for operating and investment activities and after allowing for a tax reserve in respect of members' taxation on profit shares. The monthly drawings represent payments on account of the current period and are reclaimable from members if drawings are in excess of fixed profit shares.

Designated members

The designated members who held office during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were as follows:

Mr J Blair
Mr E Lawson
Ms C Copeland
Mr E J Baden-Powell
Mr G Benaim
Mr P J Gardiner

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MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2019

Statement of members' responsibilities

The members are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law (as applied by The Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008) requires the members to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the members have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice. Under company law (as applied by The Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008) the members 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 limited liability partnership and of the profit or loss of the limited liability partnership for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the members 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 limited liability partnership will continue in business.

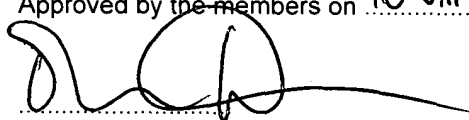
The members are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the limited liability partnership's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the limited liability partnership and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 (as applied by The Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008). They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the limited liability partnership and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Statement of disclosure to auditor

Each of the members in office at the date of approval of this annual report confirms that:

- so far as the members are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the limited liability partnership's auditor is unaware, and
- the members have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as members in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the limited liability partnership's auditor is aware of that information.

Approved by the members on 16.viii.2019 and signed on behalf by:



Mr E Lawson

Designated Member

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SIMKINS LLP

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Simkins LLP (the 'limited liability partnership') for the year ended 30 April 2019 which comprise the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of financial position, reconciliation of members' interest, the statement of cash flows and notes to the financial statements, 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 state of the limited liability partnership's affairs as at 30 April 2019 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 as applied to limited liability partnerships by the Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008.

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 limited liability partnership 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

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the members' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the members have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the limited liability partnership's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Other information

The members are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the members' report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, 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 audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE MEMBERS OF SIMKINS LLP

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 as applied to limited liability partnerships 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
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of members

As explained more fully in the members' responsibilities statement, the members 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 members 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 members are responsible for assessing the limited liability partnership'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 members either intend to liquidate the limited liability partnership 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.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the limited liability partnership's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 as applied by the Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the limited liability partnership'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 limited liability partnership and the limited liability partnership's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Sarah Squires BEng ACA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of MGI Midgley Snelling LLP

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STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2019

		2019 £	2018 £
Turnover		9,373,650	10,717,209
Cost of sales		87,980	(9,681)
Gross profit		9,461,630	10,707,528
Administrative expenses		(5,100,968)	(4,835,819)
Other operating income		59,382	109,383
Operating profit	3	4,420,044	5,981,092
Investment income	6	34,452	7,973
Finance costs	7	(2,721)	(1,648)
Profit for the financial year before members' remuneration and profit shares		4,451,775	5,987,417
Profit for the financial year before members' remuneration and profit shares		4,451,775	5,987,417
Members' remuneration charged as an expense	5	(3,635,500)	(3,734,525)
Profit for the financial year available for discretionary division among members		816,275	2,252,892

The statement of comprehensive income has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

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STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2019

	2019	2018
	£	£
Profit for the financial year available for discretionary division among members	816,275	2,252,892
Other comprehensive income	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	<u>816,275</u>	<u>2,252,892</u>

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 30 APRIL 2019

	Notes	2019 £	£	2018 £	£
Fixed assets					
Property, plant and equipment	8		85,429		64,824
Current assets					
Inventories	9	439,768		351,788	
Trade and other receivables	10	2,584,624		3,121,641	
Cash and cash equivalents		2,189,183		3,467,636	
		5,213,575		6,941,065	
Current liabilities	11	(1,197,648)		(1,471,994)	
Net current assets			4,015,927		5,469,071
Total assets less current liabilities			4,101,356		5,533,895
Provisions for liabilities	13		(301,282)		(135,000)
Net assets attributable to members			3,800,074		5,398,895
Represented by:					
Loans and other debts due to members within one year					
Amounts due in respect of profits			2,420,074		3,918,895
Members' other interests					
Members' capital classified as equity			1,380,000		1,480,000
			3,800,074		5,398,895
Total members' interests					
Loans and other debts due to members			2,420,074		3,918,895
Members' other interests			1,380,000		1,480,000
			3,800,074		5,398,895

The financial statements were approved by the members and authorised for issue on 16.05.2019 and are signed on their behalf by:



Mr E Lawson
Designated member



Mr P J Gardiner
Designated Member

Limited Liability Partnership Registration No. OC311400

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RECONCILIATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2019

Current financial year	EQUITY			DEBT		TOTAL
	Members' other interests			Loans and other debts due to members less any amounts due from members in debtors		MEMBERS' INTERESTS
	Members' capital (classified as equity)	Other reserves	Total	Other amounts	Total	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Amounts due to members				3,918,895		
Members' interests at 1 May 2018	1,480,000	-	1,480,000	3,918,895	3,918,895	5,398,895
Members' remuneration charged as an expense, including employment costs and retirement benefit costs	-	-	-	3,635,500	3,635,500	3,635,500
Profit for the financial year available for discretionary division among members	-	816,275	816,275	-	-	816,275
Members' interests after profit and remuneration for the year	1,480,000	816,275	2,296,275	7,554,395	7,554,395	9,850,670
Allocation of profit for the financial year	-	(816,275)	(816,275)	816,275	816,275	-
Introduced by members	140,000	-	140,000	515,113	515,113	655,113
Repayments of capital	(115,000)	-	(115,000)	-	-	(115,000)
Reclassifications	(125,000)	-	(125,000)	-	-	(125,000)
Drawings	-	-	-	(6 465,709)	(6,465,709)	(6,465,709)
Members' interests at 30 April 2019	1,380,000	-	1,380,000	2 420,074	2,420,074	3,800,074

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RECONCILIATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2019

Prior financial year	EQUITY			DEBT		TOTAL
	Members' other interests			Loans and other debts due to members less any amounts due from members in debtors		MEMBERS' INTERESTS
	Members' capital (classified as equity)	Other reserves	Total	Other amounts	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Members' interests at 1 May 2017	1,435,000	-	1,435,000	2,973,965	2,973,965	4,408,965
Members' remuneration charged as an expense, including employment costs and retirement benefit costs	-	-	-	3,734,525	3,734,525	3,734,525
Profit for the financial year available for discretionary division among members	-	2,252,892	2,252,892	-	-	2,252,892
Members' interests after profit and remuneration for the year	1,435,000	2,252,892	3,687,892	6,708,490	6,708,490	10,396,382
Allocation of profit for the financial year	-	(2,252,892)	(2,252,892)	2,252,892	2,252,892	-
Introduced by members	120,000	-	120,000	553,216	553,216	673,216
Repayments of capital	(25,000)	-	(25,000)	-	-	(25,000)
Reclassifications	(50,000)	-	(50,000)	-	-	(50,000)
Drawings	-	-	-	(5,595,703)	(5,595,703)	(5,595,703)
Members' interests at 30 April 2018	1,480,000	-	1,480,000	3,918,895	3,918,895	5,398,895

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2019

	Notes	2019 £	£	2018 £	£
Cash flows from operating activities					
Cash generated from operations	17	4,866,162		6,185,330	
Interest paid		(2,721)		(1,648)	
Net cash inflow from operating activities		<u>4,863,441</u>		<u>6,183,682</u>	
Investing activities					
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(75,750)		(53,874)	
Loan for members capital account		(50,000)		-	
Interest received		<u>34,452</u>		<u>7,973</u>	
Net cash used in investing activities			(91,298)		(45,901)
Financing activities					
Contributions by members		655,113		673,216	
Repayment of capital or debt to members		(115,000)		(25,000)	
Payments to members that represent a return on amounts subscribed or otherwise contributed		(6,465,709)		(5,595,703)	
Capital transferred to creditors		(125,000)		(50,000)	
Repayment of bank loans		<u>-</u>		<u>(150,000)</u>	
Net cash used in financing activities			(6,050,596)		(5,147,487)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents			(1,278,453)		990,294
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			<u>3,467,636</u>		<u>2,477,342</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			<u><u>2,189,183</u></u>		<u><u>3,467,636</u></u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2019

1 Accounting policies

Limited liability partnership information

Simkins LLP is a limited liability partnership incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Lynton House, 7/12 Tavistock Square, London, WC1H 9LT.

The limited liability partnership's principal activities are disclosed in the Members' Report.

1.1 Accounting convention

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting by Limited Liability Partnerships" issued in January 2017, together with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the limited liability partnership. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts chargeable to clients for professional services provided during the year excluding value added tax. Turnover is recognised when a right to consideration has been obtained through performance under each contract. Consideration accrues as contract activity progresses by reference to the value of the work performed.

If the right to consideration is conditional or contingent on a specified future event or outcome, which is outside the control of the firm, revenue is not recognised until that critical event occurs.

1.3 Members' participating interests

Members' participation rights are the rights of a member against the LLP that arise under the members' agreement (for example, in respect of amounts subscribed or otherwise contributed remuneration and profits).

Members' participation rights in the earnings or assets of the LLP are analysed between those that are, from the LLP's perspective, either a financial liability or equity, in accordance with section 22 of FRS 102. A member's participation rights including amounts subscribed or otherwise contributed by members, for example members' capital, are classed as liabilities unless the LLP has an unconditional right to refuse payment to members, in which case they are classified as equity.

All amounts due to members that are classified as liabilities are presented within 'Loans and other debts due to members' and, where such an amount relates to current year profits, they are recognised within 'Members' remuneration charged as an expense' in arriving at the relevant year's result. Undivided amounts that are classified are shown within 'Members' other interests'. Amounts recoverable from members are presented as debtors and shown as amounts due from members within members' interests.

Where there exists an asset and liability component in respect of an individual member's participation rights, they are presented on a gross basis unless the LLP has both a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts, and it intends either to settle on a net basis or to settle and realise these amounts simultaneously, in which case they are presented net.

Once an unavoidable obligation has been created in favour of members through allocation of profits or other means, any undrawn profits remaining at the reporting date are shown as 'Loans and other debts due to members' to the extent they exceed debts due from a specific member.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2019

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.4 Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Fixtures and fittings	25% on cost
Computers	25% on cost

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the income statement.

1.5 Work in progress

Work in progress is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost includes direct employment costs and members' time costs. Net realisable value takes account of any losses based upon anticipated costs of completion.

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are basic financial assets and include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.7 Financial instruments

The limited liability partnership has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the limited liability partnership's statement of financial position when the limited liability partnership becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amounts presented in the financial statements when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include trade and other receivables and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2019

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other payables and bank loans, are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade payables are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

1.8 Taxation

Members are personally liable for taxation on their share of the partnership profits. Consequently no reserve for taxation is made in these financial statements, and the profits are shown within Members' Interests or as 'Loans and other debts due to Members' without any deduction for tax.

1.9 Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the limited liability partnership has a legal or constructive present obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that the limited liability partnership will be required to settle that obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the reporting end date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the amount expected to be required to settle the obligation is recognised at present value. When a provision is measured at present value, the unwinding of the discount is recognised as a finance cost in profit or loss in the period in which it arises.

1.10 Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense, unless those costs are required to be recognised as part of the cost of stock or non-current assets.

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the limited liability partnership is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.11 Retirement benefits and post retirement payments

The LLP operates a defined contribution pension scheme and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the LLP to the fund in respect of the year.

The assets of the plan are held separately from the LLP in independently administered funds.

1.12 Leases

Rentals payable under operating leases, including any lease incentives received, are charged to income on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease except where another more systematic basis is more representative of the time pattern in which economic benefits from the lease asset are consumed.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2019

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.13 Foreign exchange

Transactions in currencies other than pounds sterling are recorded at the rates of exchange prevailing at the dates of the transactions. At each reporting end date, monetary assets and liabilities that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the reporting end date. Gains and losses arising on translation are included in the income statement for the period.

2 Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the limited liability partnership's accounting policies, the members are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

The key judgements and estimation uncertainty that have a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements are described below.

Bad debt provision - The members have completed a review of the trade debtor balances to determine which balances are unlikely to be received and a provision has been accounted for where necessary.

Dilapidations - This provision relates to the expected cost of maintaining full tenant repairing leases through the life of the lease to termination with regards to the square footage of the premises and the lease conditions. An independent firm of Chartered Surveyors were used to calculate this provision.

Claims - The claims provision relates to the expected cost of settling claims where such claims can be measured reliably.

3 Operating profit

	2019	2018
Operating profit for the year is stated after charging:	£	£
Fees payable to the LLP's auditor for the audit of the LLP's financial statements	4,120	4,000
Depreciation of owned property, plant and equipment	55,144	36,206
Operating lease charges	554,060	490,840

SIMKINS LLP

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2019

4 Employees

The average number of persons (excluding members) employed by the LLP during the year was:

	2019 Number	2018 Number
Fee earners	22	22
Administration and secretarial	21	24
	<u>43</u>	<u>46</u>

Their aggregate remuneration comprised:

	2019 £	2018 £
Wages and salaries	2,381,106	2,354,443
Social security costs	271,518	262,090
Pension costs	36,296	18,712
	<u>2,688,920</u>	<u>2,635,245</u>

5 Members' remuneration

	2019 Number	2018 Number
Average number of members during the year	<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>

	2019 £	2018 £
Profit attributable to the member with the highest entitlement	<u>512,124</u>	<u>861,516</u>

	2019 £	2018 £
Automatic division of profits	<u>3,635,500</u>	<u>3,734,525</u>

6 Investment income

	2019 £	2018 £
Interest income		
Interest on bank deposits	<u>34,452</u>	<u>7,973</u>

SIMKINS LLP

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2019

7 Finance costs

	2019 £	2018 £
Interest on financial liabilities measured at amortised cost:		
Interest on bank overdrafts and loans	1,941	928
Other interest	780	720
	<u>2,721</u>	<u>1,648</u>

8 Property, plant and equipment

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computers £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 May 2018	323,143	438,244	761,387
Additions	2,115	73,635	75,750
	<u>325,258</u>	<u>511,879</u>	<u>837,137</u>
At 30 April 2019			
Depreciation and impairment			
At 1 May 2018	314,182	382,382	696,564
Depreciation charged in the year	5,372	49,772	55,144
	<u>319,554</u>	<u>432,154</u>	<u>751,708</u>
At 30 April 2019			
Carrying amount			
At 30 April 2019	5,704	79,725	85,429
	<u>8,961</u>	<u>55,863</u>	<u>64,824</u>
At 30 April 2018			

9 Inventories

	2019 £	2018 £
Work in progress	<u>439,768</u>	<u>351,788</u>

10 Trade and other receivables

	2019 £	2018 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade receivables	2,098,815	2,776,180
Other receivables	150,806	11,068
Prepayments and accrued income	335,003	334,393
	<u>2,584,624</u>	<u>3,121,641</u>

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11 Current liabilities

	2019 £	2018 £
Trade payables	851,652	538,193
Other taxation and social security	51,336	714,147
Other payables	125,000	54,376
Accruals and deferred income	169,660	165,278
	<u>1,197,648</u>	<u>1,471,994</u>

12 Financial instruments

	2019 £	2018 £
Carrying amount of financial assets		
Debt instruments measured at amortised cost	<u>2,163,707</u>	<u>3,139,036</u>
Carrying amount of financial liabilities		
Measured at amortised cost	<u>1,593,683</u>	<u>1,471,994</u>

13 Provisions for liabilities

	2019 £	2018 £
Dilapidation	102,000	85,000
Insurance claims	50,000	50,000
Rent free	149,282	-
	<u>301,282</u>	<u>135,000</u>

Movements on provisions:

	Dilapidation £	Insurance claims £	Rent free £	Total £
At 1 May 2018	85,000	50,000	-	135,000
Additional provisions in the year	<u>17,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>149,282</u>	<u>166,282</u>
At 30 April 2019	<u>102,000</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>149,282</u>	<u>301,282</u>

Provision is made for dilapidations in respect of a property lease that contains a requirement for the premises to be returned to their original state at the conclusion of the lease term. The lease to which the provision relates was renewed during the year and expires in 2023.

In common with other professional services businesses the LLP is insured against the cost of any professional liability claims that are notified to the LLP. A provision is made for the LLP's estimated retained liability for such claims.

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13 Provisions for liabilities

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A rent free provision has been provided in order to spread the cost of the lease over the number of years per the agreement.

14 Retirement benefit schemes

Defined contribution schemes

The limited liability partnership operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the limited liability partnership in an independently administered fund.

The charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes was £36,296 (2018 - £18,712).

Contributions amounting to £6,584 (2018: £6,741) were outstanding at the year end and are included within other creditors.

15 Loans and other debts due to members

	2019 £	2018 £
Analysis of loans		
Amounts falling due within one year	2,420,074	3,918,895

Capital is normally repaid to members after they cease to be members of Simkins LLP. In the event of Simkins LLP going into administration or being wound up, the members' capital within Simkins LLP ranks after unsecured creditors who are not members of Simkins LLP.

No restrictions or limitations exist on the ability of the members to reduce the amount of 'Members' other interests'.

16 Operating lease commitments

Lessee

At the reporting end date the limited liability partnership had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

	2019 £	2018 £
Within one year	346,612	122,648
Between two and five years	1,473,102	-
	<u>1,819,714</u>	<u>122,648</u>

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17	Cash generated from operations	2019 £	2018 £
	Profit for the year	4,451,775	5,987,417
	Adjustments for:		
	Finance costs recognised in profit or loss	2,721	1,648
	Investment income recognised in profit or loss	(34,452)	(7,973)
	Depreciation and impairment of property, plant and equipment	55,144	36,206
	Increase in provisions	166,282	17,000
	Movements in working capital:		
	(Increase)/decrease in inventories	(87,980)	9,680
	Decrease/(increase) in trade and other receivables	587,017	(423,011)
	(Decrease)/increase in trade and other payables	(274,345)	564,363
	Cash generated from operations	<u>4,866,162</u>	<u>6,185,330</u>