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**LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP**

**AS Underwriting LLP**

**Annual Report**

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◆ **For the year ended 31 December 2018** ◆

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**Registered Number: OC349044**

# AS Underwriting LLP

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## **AS Underwriting LLP**

### **General Information**

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#### **DESIGNATED MEMBERS**

Argenta Continuity Limited  
Argenta LLP Services Limited

#### **MEMBERS' AGENT**

(Regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority)  
Argenta Private Capital Limited

#### **AUDITORS**

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#### **REGISTERED NUMBER**

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#### **REGISTERED OFFICE**

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London  
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## **AS Underwriting LLP**

### **Strategic Report For the year ended 31 December 2018**

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The Members present their Strategic Report for the year ended 31 December 2018.

#### **Business Review**

The Limited Liability Partnership continues to write insurance business in the Lloyd's insurance market as a limited liability underwriting Member of Lloyd's.

The financial statements incorporate the annual accounting results of the Syndicates on which the Limited Liability Partnership participates for the 2016, 2017 and 2018 years of account, as well as any 2015 and prior run-off years.

#### **Results**

The result for the year is shown in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

#### **Financial Risk Management Objectives and Policies**

The Limited Liability Partnership is principally exposed to financial risk through its participation on Lloyd's Syndicates. It has delegated sole management and control of its underwriting through each Syndicate to the managing agent of that Syndicate and it looks to the managing agents to implement appropriate policies, procedures and internal controls to manage each Syndicate's exposures to insurance risk, credit risk, market risk, liquidity risk and operational risk. The Limited Liability Partnership is also directly exposed to these risks, but they are not considered material for the assessment of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Limited Liability Partnership.

Hedge accounting is not used by the Limited Liability Partnership.

Approved by the Members on 28 June 2019 and signed on their behalf by:



**D C BOWLES**  
**ARGENTA LLP SERVICES LIMITED**  
Designated Member

## AS Underwriting LLP

### Members' Report For the year ended 31 December 2018

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The Members present their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018.

#### Statement of Members' Responsibilities

Legislation applicable to Limited Liability Partnerships requires the Members to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Partnership and of the profit or loss of the Partnership for that period.

In preparing those financial statements, the Members are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departure 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 Partnership will continue in business.

The Members are responsible for ensuring that proper and up to date books of account are maintained in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Partnership and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Limited Liability Partnership Regulations. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Partnership and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

#### Activities

The principal activity of the Limited Liability Partnership in the year under review was that of a limited liability underwriting Member of Lloyd's.

#### Designated Members

The Designated Members during the period were as follows:

Argenta Continuity Limited  
Argenta LLP Services Limited

#### Members' Interests

The net profit of the Limited Liability Partnership for the financial year is allocated to each Member in accordance with their respective profit shares for the relevant year(s) of account.

The net loss of the Limited Liability Partnership for the financial year is allocated to each Member in accordance with their respective yearly shares for the relevant year(s) of account.

#### Brexit

The Brexit talks continue with Parliament debating the EU Withdraw Bill. At present the insurance sector still needs certainty on the UK's future trading relationship with the EU. The priority is to ensure mutual insurance and reinsurance market access once the UK leaves the EU. Lloyd's have established a subsidiary, Lloyd's Brussels, which opened for business on 13 November 2018 and provides certainty for the market and Lloyd's clients. All legacy European Economic Area business will be moving to Lloyd's Brussels before the end of 2020 via a part VII transfer. The Members are monitoring the Lloyd's market's preparations along with general market conditions to identify if it is appropriate to make any changes to the current strategy of the Partnership.

#### Auditors

Mazars LLP have signified their willingness to act and continue to be appointed as the auditors to the Limited Liability Partnership.

Approved by the Members on 28 June 2019 and signed on their behalf by:



**D C BOWLES**  
**ARGENTA LLP SERVICES LIMITED**  
Designated Member

## AS Underwriting LLP

### Independent Auditor's Report To the Members of AS Underwriting LLP For the year ended 31 December 2018

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#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of AS Underwriting LLP (the 'LLP') for the year ended 31 December 2018 which comprise the Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Financial Position, Reconciliation of Member's Interests, 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 LLP's affairs as at 31 December 2018 and of its result for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 as applied to limited liability partnerships.

#### 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 LLP 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.

#### The impact of uncertainties due to the United Kingdom exiting the European Union on our audit

The Members' view on the impact of Brexit is disclosed on page 5.

The terms on which the United Kingdom may withdraw from the European Union are not clear, and it is therefore not currently possible to evaluate all the potential implications to the Company's trade, customers, suppliers and the wider economy.

We considered the impact of Brexit on the Company as part of our audit procedures, applying a standard firm wide approach in response to the uncertainty associated with the Company's future prospects and performance.

However, no audit should be expected to predict the unknowable factors or all possible implications for the Company and this is particularly the case in relation to Brexit.

#### 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 LLP'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 whole financial statements, other than the financial statements themselves and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and 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.

## AS Underwriting LLP

### Independent Auditor's Report (continued) To the Members of AS Underwriting LLP For the year ended 31 December 2018

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

In 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 Strategic Report or the Members' Report

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which 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 Statement of Members' Responsibilities set out on page 5, 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 LLP'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 LLP 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 [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditor's report.

#### Use of the Audit Report

This report is made solely to the LLP's Members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 as applied to limited liability partnerships. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the LLP'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 LLP and the LLP's Members as a body for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Amanda Barker (Senior Statutory Auditor)  
for and on behalf of Mazars LLP  
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor  
Tower Bridge House  
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28 June 2019

# AS Underwriting LLP

## Statement of Comprehensive Income – Technical Account For the year ended 31 December 2018

	Note	2018 £	2017 £
<b>Premiums</b>			
Gross premiums written	1	3,857,437	2,538,374
Outward reinsurance premiums	1	<u>(1,473,780)</u>	<u>(677,191)</u>
<b>Net premiums written</b>		<b>2,383,657</b>	<b>1,861,183</b>
<b>Change in the provision for Unearned premiums</b>			
Gross provision	1	(387,632)	(50,076)
Reinsurers' share	1	<u>224,773</u>	<u>58,581</u>
<b>Earned premiums, net of reinsurance</b>		<b>2,220,798</b>	<b>1,869,688</b>
Allocated investment return transferred from the non-technical account		35,330	16,164
Other technical income, net of reinsurance		-	-
<b>Claims paid</b>			
Gross amount	1	(1,862,965)	(1,518,726)
Reinsurers' share	1	<u>637,166</u>	<u>213,043</u>
<b>Net claims paid</b>		<b>(1,225,799)</b>	<b>(1,305,683)</b>
<b>Change in provision for claims</b>			
Gross amount	1	(2,207,256)	(1,172,319)
Reinsurers' share	1	<u>1,277,598</u>	<u>592,488</u>
<b>Net change in provisions for claims</b>		<b>(929,658)</b>	<b>(579,831)</b>
<b>Claims incurred, net of reinsurance</b>		<b>(2,155,457)</b>	<b>(1,885,514)</b>
Changes in other technical provisions, net of reinsurance		-	-
Net operating expenses	1, 2	(812,366)	(727,628)
Other technical charges, net of reinsurance		-	-
Amount (payable)/recoverable under Reinsurance arrangements		<u>634,151</u>	<u>552,271</u>
<b>Balance on the technical account for general business</b>		<b><u>(77,544)</u></b>	<b><u>(175,019)</u></b>

The accounting policies and notes on pages 14 to 38 form part of these financial statements.



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### Statement of Comprehensive Income – Non Technical Account For the year ended 31 December 2018

	Note	2018 £	2017 £
<b>Balance on general business technical account</b>		(77,544)	(175,019)
Investment income	3	35,656	16,165
Allocated investment return transferred to the technical account		(35,330)	(16,164)
Other income		10,033	5,095
Other charges, including value adjustments		(21,018)	(20,968)
Loss for the financial period before Members' remuneration and profit shares	4	(88,203)	(190,891)
Members' remuneration charged as an expense	5	-	-
<b>Loss for the financial period available for discretionary division among Members</b>		(88,203)	(190,891)
<b>Other comprehensive (expenditure)/income:</b>			
Currency translation differences		(53,888)	23,343
<b>Total comprehensive expenditure</b>		<u>(142,091)</u>	<u>(167,548)</u>

All items derive from continuing activities.

The accounting policies and notes on pages 14 to 38 form part of these financial statements.

# AS Underwriting LLP

## Statement of Financial Position As at 31 December 2018

		31 December 2018			31 December 2017		
	Note	Syndicate Participation £	Partnership £	Total £	Syndicate Participation £	Partnership £	Total £
<b>Assets</b>							
<b>Intangible assets</b>	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Investments</b>							
Other financial investments	7	2,158,209	-	2,158,209	1,402,050	-	1,402,050
Deposits with ceding undertakings		-	-	-	-	-	-
		2,158,209	-	2,158,209	1,402,050	-	1,402,050
<b>Reinsurers' share of technical provisions</b>							
Provision for unearned premiums	8	544,104	-	544,104	279,418	-	279,418
Claims outstanding	8	2,367,372	-	2,367,372	1,031,395	-	1,031,395
Other technical provisions		-	-	-	-	-	-
		2,911,476	-	2,911,476	1,310,813	-	1,310,813
<b>Debtors</b>							
Amounts falling due within one year	7	1,603,040	266,258	1,869,298	706,256	582,058	1,288,314
Amounts falling due after one year	7	126,703	301,367	428,070	11	-	11
		1,729,743	567,625	2,297,368	706,267	582,058	1,288,325
<b>Other assets</b>							
Cash at bank and in hand		816,476	969	817,445	463,501	-	463,501
Other		206,086	-	206,086	165,281	-	165,281
		1,022,562	969	1,023,531	628,782	-	628,782
<b>Prepayments and accrued income</b>							
Accrued interest		5,251	-	5,251	-	-	-
Deferred acquisitions costs	8	336,399	-	336,399	303,152	-	303,152
Other prepayments and accrued income		13,103	-	13,103	26,097	-	26,097
		354,753	-	354,753	329,249	-	329,249
<b>Total assets</b>		8,176,743	568,594	8,745,337	4,377,161	582,058	4,959,219

The accounting policies and notes on pages 14 to 38 form part of these financial statements.

# AS Underwriting LLP

## Statement of Financial Position As at 31 December 2018

		31 December 2018			31 December 2017		
	Note	Syndicate Participation £	Partnership £	Total £	Syndicate Participation £	Partnership £	Total £
<b>Liabilities and Members' interests</b>							
<b>Loans and other debts due to Members</b>							
Syndicate profit and loss		(299,264)	-	(299,264)	(704,335)	-	(704,335)
Corporate profit and loss -		-	-	-	-	-	-
Syndicate capacity		-	-	-	-	-	-
Corporate profit and loss - other		-	108,773	108,773	-	572,058	572,058
		(299,264)	108,773	(190,491)	(704,335)	572,058	(132,277)
<b>Technical provisions</b>							
Provision for unearned premiums	8	1,724,585	-	1,724,585	1,246,697	-	1,246,697
Claims outstanding	8	5,408,596	-	5,408,596	3,025,363	-	3,025,363
Other technical provisions		-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Provisions for other risks</b>							
		-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Deposit received from reinsurers</b>							
		759,784	-	759,784	316,367	-	316,367
<b>Creditors</b>							
Amounts falling due within one year	7	470,927	210,808	681,735	486,777	-	486,777
Amounts falling due after one year	7	125,423	239,013	364,436	727	-	727
		8,489,315	449,821	8,939,136	5,075,931	-	5,075,931
<b>Accruals and deferred income</b>							
		(13,308)	10,000	(3,308)	5,565	10,000	15,565
<b>Total liabilities</b>							
		8,176,743	568,594	8,745,337	4,377,161	582,058	4,959,219

The financial statements were approved by the Members of the Limited Liability Partnership and signed on its behalf by:



**D C BOWLES**  
**ARGENTA LLP SERVICES LIMITED**  
28 June 2019

Registered Number: OC349044

The accounting policies and notes on pages 14 to 38 form part of these financial statements.

## AS Underwriting LLP

### Reconciliation of Members' Interests For the year ended 31 December 2018

	Liabilities			
	Partnership profit and loss allocated to Members			
	Syndicate profit and loss allocated to Members £	Syndicate capacity £	Other £	Total £
Members' interests at 1 January 2017	105,998	-	19,718	125,716
Allocated (Loss) 2015 year of account	(21,000)	-	-	(21,000)
Allocated (Loss) 2016 year of account	(195,841)	-	-	(195,841)
Allocated Profit 2017 year of account	(482,011)	-	531,304	49,293
Members' interests after (Loss) for the year	(592,854)	-	551,022	(41,832)
Reallocate distribution Introduced by Members	(111,481)	-	111,481	-
Repayment of debt (including Members' capital classified as a liability)	-	-	(90,445)	(90,445)
Other movements	-	-	-	-
Members' interests at 31 December 2017	(704,335)	-	572,058	(132,277)
Allocated Loss 2016 year of account	(60,620)	-	-	(60,620)
Allocated Loss 2017 year of account	(22,242)	-	-	(22,242)
Allocated Loss 2018 year of account	(54,567)	-	(4,662)	(59,229)
Members' interests after Loss for the year	(841,764)	-	567,396	(274,368)
Reallocate distribution Introduced by Members	542,500	-	(542,500)	-
Repayment of debt (including Members' capital classified as a liability)	-	-	83,877	83,877
Other movements	-	-	-	-
Members' interests at 31 December 2018	(299,264)	-	108,773	(190,491)

The accounting policies and notes on pages 14 to 38 form part of these financial statements.

## AS Underwriting LLP

### Statement of Cash Flows For the year ended 31 December 2018

	2018 £	2017 £
<b>Operating activities</b>		
Loss on ordinary activities before tax	(88,203)	(190,891)
Profit attributable to Syndicate transactions	83,541	722,195
(Loss)/profit excluding Syndicate transactions	(4,662)	531,304
Adjustment for:		
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	14,433	(552,271)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	449,821	(69)
Profit on disposal of intangible assets	-	-
Amortisation of Syndicate capacity	-	-
Realised/unrealised losses on investments	-	-
Investment income	(326)	(1)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	459,266	(21,037)
<b>Investing activities</b>		
Investment income	326	1
Purchase of Syndicate capacity	-	-
Proceeds from sale of Syndicate capacity	-	-
Net cash inflow from investing activities	326	1
<b>Financing activities</b>		
Repayment of debt to Members	(458,623)	-
Capital introduced by Members	-	21,036
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from financing activities	(458,623)	21,036
Net cash increase in cash and cash equivalents	969	-
Effect of exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	969	-
Consisting of:		
Cash at bank and in hand	969	-
Cash equivalents	-	-
	969	-

The Limited Liability Partnership has no control over the disposition of assets and liabilities at Lloyd's. Consequently, the Statement of Cash Flows is prepared reflecting only the movement in Limited Liability Partnership funds, which includes transfers to and from the Syndicates at Lloyd's.

The accounting policies and notes on pages 14 to 38 form part of these financial statements.

## AS Underwriting LLP

### Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 31 December 2018

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#### General information

The Partnership is a Limited Liability Partnership incorporated in the United Kingdom.

The financial statements have been presented in Pounds Sterling ("Sterling") as this is the Limited Liability Partnership's functional currency, being the primary economic environment in which the Limited Liability Partnership operates.

#### Basis of preparation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with:

- FRS 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard Applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* ("FRS 102");
- FRS 103 *Insurance Contracts*;
- The requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice *Accounting by Limited Liability Partnerships* ("LLP SORP"); and
- Applicable legislation, as set out in the Companies Act 2006 and The Large and Medium-sized Companies and Groups (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 ("SI 2008/410") as modified by the Large and Medium-sized Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts) Regulations 2008 ("SI 2008/1913").

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical costs convention as modified for certain financial instruments held at fair value.

#### Recognition of insurance transactions

The Limited Liability Partnership recognises its proportion of all the transactions undertaken by the Lloyd's Syndicates in which it participates ("the Syndicates") in aggregation with the transactions undertaken by the Limited Liability Partnership at entity level ("the Partnership").

The financial statements are prepared using the annual basis of accounting. Under the annual basis of accounting a result is determined at the end of each accounting period reflecting the profit or loss from providing insurance coverage during that period and any adjustments to the profit or loss of providing insurance cover during earlier accounting periods.

Amounts reported in the general business technical account relate to movements in the period in respect of all relevant years of account of the Syndicates on which the Limited Liability Partnership participates.

For each such Syndicate, the Limited Liability Partnership's proportion of the underwriting transactions, investment return and operating expenses has been reflected within the Limited Liability Partnership's Statement of Comprehensive Income. Similarly, its proportion of the Syndicate's assets and liabilities has been reflected in its Statement of Financial Position (under the column heading "Syndicate"). The Syndicate's assets are held subject to trust deeds for the benefit of the Limited Liability Partnership's insurance creditors.

The proportion referred to above is calculated by reference to the Limited Liability Partnership's participation as a percentage of the Syndicate's total capacity.

The Limited Liability Partnership has delegated sole management and control of its underwriting through each Syndicate to the managing agent of the Syndicate ("the Managing Agent") and it has further undertaken not to interfere with the exercise of such management and control. The Managing Agents of the Syndicates are therefore responsible for determining the insurance transactions to be recognised by the Limited Liability Partnership.

#### Sources of data

The information used to compile the technical account and the "Syndicate" Statement of Financial Position is based on returns prepared for this purpose by the Managing Agents of the Syndicates ("the Returns"). These Returns have been subjected to audit by the Syndicate auditors and are consistent with the audited annual reports to Syndicate Members.

The format of the Returns is established by Lloyd's. Lloyd's collate this data at a Syndicate level analysing it into corporate Member level results which reflects the relevant data in respect of all the Syndicates in which the Limited Liability Partnership participates.

# AS Underwriting LLP

## Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 31 December 2018

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### Accounting policies

#### i. Going concern

These financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

#### ii. Premiums

Premiums written comprise the total premiums receivable for the whole period of cover provided by the contracts incepting during the financial year, together with any adjustments arising in the year to such premiums receivable in respect of business written in prior years. Premiums are shown gross of commission payable to intermediaries and exclude insurance premium tax. Gross premiums written may include "reinsurance to close" premiums receivable (see vi below). Outward reinsurance premiums may include "reinsurance to close" premiums payable (see vi below). Premiums written by a Syndicate may also include the reinsurance of other Syndicates on which the Partnership participates. No adjustments have been made to gross premiums written or outward reinsurance premiums (or to gross and reinsurers' claims) to remove this inter - Syndicate reinsurance. Unearned premiums represent the proportion of premiums written in the year that relate to the unexpired terms of policies in force at the balance sheet date, calculated on the basis of established earnings patterns or time apportionment as appropriate.

#### iii. Claims incurred

Claims incurred include the costs of claims handling expenses. Recoverable amounts arising out of subrogation or salvage are deducted from the cost of claims. Claims incurred comprise amounts paid or provided in respect of claims occurring during the year to 31 December, together with the amount by which settlement or reassessment of claims from prior years differ from the provision at the beginning of the year.

#### iv. Provision for claims outstanding

Claims outstanding comprise amounts set aside for claims notified and claims incurred but not yet reported (IBNR). Provision is made for claims incurred but not paid in respect of events up to 31 December. The provision is based on the Returns and reports from the Managing Agents and the Limited Liability Partnership's licensed adviser or Members' Agent. When appropriate, statistical methods have been applied to past experience of claims frequency and severity.

The two most critical assumptions with regard to claims provisions are that the past is a reasonable predictor of the likely level of claims development, and that the rating and other models used for current business are fair reflections of the likely level of ultimate claims to be incurred. The Members consider the provision for gross claims and related reinsurance recoveries, as based on the Returns to be fairly stated. However, ultimate liability will vary as a result of subsequent information and events, and this may result in significant adjustments to the amounts provided. Adjustments to amounts of claims provisions established in prior years are reflected in the financial statements for the period in which the adjustments are made.

#### v. Unexpired risk provision

A provision for unexpired risk is made by the underlying Syndicates where claims, related expenses and deferred acquisition costs, likely to arise after the end of the financial period in respect of contracts concluded before that date, are expected to exceed the unearned premiums and premiums receivable under these contracts, after the deduction of any acquisition costs deferred.

## AS Underwriting LLP

### Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 31 December 2018

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#### Accounting policies (continued)

##### vi. Reinsurance to close

A reinsurance to close is a particular type of reinsurance contract entered into by Lloyd's Syndicates. Under it, underwriting Members (the reinsured Members) who are Members of a Syndicate for a year of account (the closed year), agree with underwriting Members who comprise that or another Syndicate for a later year of account (the reinsuring Members) that the reinsuring Members will indemnify, discharge or procure the discharge, of the reinsured Members against all known and unknown liabilities of the reinsured Members arising out of insurance business undertaken through that Syndicate and allocated to the closed year in consideration of:

- (1) a premium; and
- (2) either:

- a) the assignment, or agreement to assign, to the reinsuring Members of all the rights of the reinsured Members arising out of, or in connection with, that insurance business (including without limitation the right to receive all future premiums, reinsurances and other monies receivable in connection with that insurance business); or
- b) an agreement by the reinsured Members that the reinsuring Members shall collect on behalf of the reinsured Members the proceeds of all such rights and retain them for their own benefit so far as they are not applied in discharges of the liabilities of the reinsured Members.

Where the reinsurance to close is between Members on successive years of account of the same Syndicate, the Managing Agent has a duty to ensure both sets of Members are treated equitably and to set the reinsurance to close with the intention that neither a profit nor a loss accrues to either group of Members. To the extent that the Limited Liability Partnership participates on successive years of account of the same Syndicate and there is a reinsurance to close between those years, the Limited Liability Partnership has offset its share of the reinsurance to close received against its share of the reinsurance to close paid.

If the Limited Liability Partnership has increased its participation from one year of account to the next, the reinsurance to close paid is eliminated, as a result of this offset, leaving an element of the reinsurance to close received. This reflects the fact that the Limited Liability Partnership has assumed a greater proportion of the business of the Syndicate. If the Limited Liability Partnership has reduced its participation from one year of account to the next, the reinsurance to close received is eliminated, leaving an element of the reinsurance to close paid. This reflects the reduction in the Limited Liability Partnership's exposure to risks previously written by the Syndicate. The reinsurance to close is technically a reinsurance contract and, as such, the payment of a reinsurance to close does not remove from Members of that year of account ultimate responsibility for claims payable on risks they have written. If the reinsuring Members under the reinsurance to close become insolvent and the other elements of the Lloyd's chain of security also fail, the reinsured Members remain theoretically liable for the settlement of any outstanding claims. However, payment of a reinsurance to close is conventionally accepted as terminating a reinsured Member's participation on a Syndicate year of account and it is treated for accounts purposes as settling all the Limited Liability Partnership's outstanding gross liabilities in respect of the business so reinsured.



## Accounting policies (continued)

## vii. Financial instruments

The Limited Liability Partnership has chosen to apply the provisions of Section 11 *Basic Financial Instruments* and Section 12 *Other Financial Instruments* in full.

The Limited Liability Partnership holds both basic and non-basic financial instruments. The Limited Liability Partnership's financial instruments comprise of cash and cash equivalents, trade and other debtors, trade and other creditors and investments in a variety of basic and non-basic financial instruments, through both the Limited Liability Partnership and through the Syndicates.

Financial assets and liabilities are recognised when the Limited Liability Partnership becomes party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

Basic financial instruments (except for non-puttable ordinary and non-convertible preference shares) are initially recognised at the transaction price, including any transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any provision for impairment in the case of financial assets. Amounts that are receivable/payable within one year are measured at the undiscounted amount of the cash expected to be received/settled. Financial instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost include cash, debtors and creditors.

Where a financial instrument constitutes a financing transaction, it is initially measured at the present value of the future payments, discounted at a market rate of interest, and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

All other financial instruments are measured at fair value through profit or loss.

At the end of each reporting year, the Limited Liability Partnership assesses whether there is objective evidence that any financial asset may be impaired. A provision for impairment is established when there is objective evidence that the Limited Liability Partnership will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables. The amount of the provision is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows, discounted at the effective interest rate. The amount of the provision is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Investment income is initially recorded in the non-technical account. All investment income arising on Syndicate participations is allocated to the technical account.

Interest income is recognised as it accrues using the effective interest method.

Dividend income receivable is recognised when the rights to receive the distributions have been established.

## viii.

## Derivative financial instruments

The Limited Liability Partnership uses derivative financial instruments to reduce exposure to foreign exchange risk and interest rate movements. The Limited Liability Partnership does not hold or issue derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes. Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value at the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently remeasured to their fair value at each reporting date. The resulting gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately.

## ix.

## Derecognition of financial assets

A financial asset or, when applicable, a part of a financial asset is derecognised when:

- The rights to the cash flows from the asset have expired; or
- The Limited Liability Partnership retains the right to receive cash flows from the asset or has assumed an obligation to pay the received cash flows in full without material delay to a third party under a 'pass-through' arrangement and either (a) the Limited Liability Partnership has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset; or (b) the Limited Liability Partnership has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

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#### Accounting policies (continued)

**ix. Derecognition of financial assets (continued)**

When the Limited Liability Partnership has transferred its right to receive cash flows from an asset or has entered into a pass-through arrangement, and has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards nor transferred control of the asset, the asset is recognised to the extent of the Limited Liability Partnership continuing involvement in the asset. Continuing involvement that takes the form of a guarantee over the transferred asset is measured at the lower of the original carrying amount of the asset and the maximum amount of consideration that the Limited Liability Partnership could be required to repay. In that case, the Limited Liability Partnership also recognises an associated liability.

**x. Offsetting of financial instruments**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the balance sheet if, and only if there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognised amounts; and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

**xi. Net operating expenses**

Operating expenses are recognised when incurred. They include the Limited Liability Partnership's share of Syndicate operating expenses, the remuneration payable to Managing Agents (and the Partnership's Members' Agent/licensed adviser) and the direct costs of Membership of Lloyd's.

**xii. Deferred acquisition costs**

Acquisition costs, which represent commission and other related expenses, are deferred over the period in which the related premiums are earned.

**xiii. Foreign currencies**

Transactions in United States Dollars, Canadian Dollars and Euros are translated at the rates of exchange ruling at the date the transaction is processed or at an appropriate average rate. Unless otherwise stated, transactions in currencies other than United States Dollars, Canadian Dollars and Euros are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the date the transaction is processed. Monetary assets and liabilities are retranslated into Sterling at the rate of exchange at the balance sheet date. Non-monetary assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date are maintained at the rate of exchange ruling when the contract was entered into except for non-monetary assets and liabilities arising out of insurance contracts which are treated as monetary items in accordance with FRS 103 *Insurance Contracts* ("FRS 103"). Exchange differences arising on translation to the functional currency are dealt with through the non-technical account in the profit and loss account.

**xiv. Intangible assets**

Intangible assets include purchased rights to participate on Syndicates. The purchase cost is capitalised and amortised on a straight line basis over the useful life of the rights which is five years.

**xv. Insurance contracts – product classification**

Insurance contracts are those contracts when the Limited Liability Partnership (the insurer/reinsurer) has accepted significant insurance risk from another party (the policyholder/reinsured) by agreeing to compensate the policyholder if a specified uncertain future event (the re/insured event) adversely affects the policyholder. As a general guideline, the Limited Liability Partnership determines whether it has significant insurance risk, by comparing benefits paid with benefits payable if the insured event did not occur. Insurance contracts can also transfer financial risk.

Once a contract has been classified as an insurance contract, it remains an insurance contract for the remainder of its lifetime, even if the insurance risk reduces significantly during this period, unless all rights and obligations are extinguished or expire.

Any separable embedded derivatives within an insurance contract are separated and accounted for in accordance with sections 11 and 12 of FRS102 unless the embedded derivative is itself an insurance contract (i.e. the derivative is not separated if the policyholder benefits from the derivative only when the insured event occurs).

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#### Accounting policies (continued)

##### xvi. Members' participation rights and remuneration

Members' participation rights are the rights of a Member against the Limited Liability Partnership that arise under the Members' Agreement.

Members' participation rights in the earnings or assets of the Limited Liability Partnership are analysed between those that are, from the Limited Liability Partnership's perspective, either a financial liability or equity, in accordance with Section 22 *Liabilities and Equity*. A Member's participation right results in a liability where there is a contractual obligation on the part of the Limited Liability Partnership to deliver cash, or other financial assets, to the Member.

Amounts subscribed or otherwise contributed by Members, for instance Members' capital and loans, are classified as equity where the Limited Liability Partnership has an unconditional right to avoid delivering cash or other assets to the Member (i.e. the right to any payment or repayment is discretionary on the part of the Limited Liability Partnership). If the Limited Liability Partnership does not have such an unconditional right, such amounts are classified as liabilities.

The net profit of the Limited Liability Partnership for the financial year is allocated to each Member in accordance with their respective profit shares for the relevant year(s) of account.

The net loss of the Limited Liability Partnership for the financial year is allocated to each Member in accordance with their respective yearly shares for the relevant year(s) of account.

Loans and other debts due to Members rank *pari passu* with other unsecured creditors on the winding up of a partnership.

The key management personnel of the Limited Liability Partnership are considered to be the Members. The Members are not employees of the Limited Liability Partnership, and consequently the total remuneration of the Members' consists of the allocated profit/(loss) for the year.

##### xvii. Taxation

Income tax payable on the Limited Liability Partnership's profits is solely the personal liability of the Members and consequently is not dealt with in these financial statements.

##### xviii. Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In applying the Limited Liability Partnership's accounting policies, the Members are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions in determining the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities. The Members' judgements, estimates and assumptions are based on the best and most reliable evidence available at the time when the decisions are made, and are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be applicable. Due to the inherent subjectivity involved in making such judgements, estimates and assumptions, the actual results and outcomes may differ. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis.

The management and control of each Syndicate is carried out by the managing agent of that Syndicate, and the Limited Liability Partnership looks to the managing agent to implement appropriate policies, procedures and internal controls to manage each Syndicate. The critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty set out below therefore relate to those made by the Members in respect of the Partnership only, and do not include estimates and judgements made in respect of the Syndicates.

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### Accounting policies (continued)

#### xviii. Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty (continued)

##### **Critical accounting judgements**

The critical judgements that the Members have made in the process of applying the Limited Liability Partnership's accounting policies and that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the statutory financial statements are discussed below.

##### *Assessing indicators of impairment*

In assessing whether there have been any indicators of impairment assets, the Members have considered both external and internal sources of information such as market conditions, counterparty credit ratings and experience of recoverability. There have been no indicators of impairments identified during the current financial year.

##### *Key sources of estimation uncertainty*

The key assumptions concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

##### *Impairment review*

The impairment of the Syndicate Assets is performed by the Syndicate themselves. The Members perform an impairment review when indications of impairment arise.

##### *Recoverability of receivables*

The Limited Liability Partnership establishes a provision for receivables that are estimated not to be recoverable. When assessing recoverability the Members consider factors such as the aging of the receivables, past experience of recoverability, and the credit profile of individual or groups of customers.

##### *Determining the useful life of purchased Syndicate capacity*

The Members have assessed the useful life of Syndicate capacity to be five years. This is on the basis that the Members consider this to be the life over which value is created from the investment made.

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## Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 31 December 2018

### 1. Class of Business

2018	Gross Premiums Written £	Gross Premiums Earned £	Gross Claims Incurred £	Net Operating Expenses £	Reinsurance Balance £	Total £
<b>Direct Insurance</b>						
Accident and health	-	4	(3,170)	(1)	1,619	(1,548)
Motor – third party liability	16,277	5,197	-	(1,352)	(1,934)	1,911
Motor – other classes	(6,120)	7,006	(10,035)	(1,532)	(990)	(5,551)
Marine, aviation and transport	358,769	357,605	(286,758)	(83,342)	23,779	11,284
Fire and other damage to property	903,508	864,160	(1,049,587)	(200,363)	206,664	(179,126)
Third party liability	913,500	968,881	(1,224,854)	(224,074)	280,902	(199,145)
Credit and suretyship	4,859	4,186	(183)	(1,003)	(1,240)	1,760
Legal expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assistance	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	-
	2,190,793	2,207,039	(2,574,587)	(511,667)	508,800	(370,415)
<b>Reinsurance</b>	1,666,644	1,262,766	(1,495,634)	(300,699)	156,957	(376,610)
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,857,437</b>	<b>3,469,805</b>	<b>(4,070,221)</b>	<b>(812,366)</b>	<b>665,757</b>	<b>(747,025)</b>

  

2017	Gross Premiums Written £	Gross Premiums Earned £	Gross Claims Incurred £	Net Operating Expenses £	Reinsurance Balance £	Total £
<b>Direct Insurance</b>						
Accident and health	8	9	(15,282)	(664)	2,302	(13,635)
Motor – third party liability	-	-	-	-	-	-
Motor – other classes	22,998	25,176	(16,471)	(9,654)	56	(893)
Marine, aviation and transport	254,293	230,848	(130,849)	(74,031)	(30,190)	(4,222)
Fire and other damage to property	835,725	998,263	(1,814,836)	(263,457)	354,639	(725,391)
Third party liability	818,443	752,161	(157,544)	(231,315)	(199,448)	163,854
Credit and suretyship	2,007	1,921	(5,031)	(594)	812	(2,892)
Legal expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assistance	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1,933,474	2,008,378	(2,140,013)	(579,715)	128,171	(583,179)
<b>Reinsurance</b>	604,900	479,920	(551,032)	(147,913)	58,750	(160,275)
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,538,374</b>	<b>2,488,298</b>	<b>(2,691,045)</b>	<b>(727,628)</b>	<b>186,921</b>	<b>(743,454)</b>

All insurance business is underwritten in the United Kingdom in the Lloyd's insurance market. Consequently all insurance contracts are deemed to be concluded in the United Kingdom.

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#### 2. Net Operating Expenses

	2018 £	2017 £
Acquisition costs	884,134	659,676
Change in deferred acquisition costs	(100,495)	(39,269)
Administrative expenses	104,218	72,818
Reinsurance commissions and profit participations	(135,582)	-
Personal expenses	60,091	34,403
	<u>812,366</u>	<u>727,628</u>

#### 3. Investment Income

	2018 £	2017 £
Financial instruments held at fair value through profit or loss:		
Interest and dividend income	31,706	16,098
Realised gains and losses	(80)	(1,556)
Unrealised gains and losses	3,676	1,622
Other	-	-
	<u>35,302</u>	<u>16,164</u>
Financial instruments held at amortised cost:		
Interest	326	1
Other	-	-
	<u>326</u>	<u>1</u>
Investment management expenses, including interest	28	-
	<u>28</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>35,656</u>	<u>16,165</u>

#### 4. Profit/(Loss) on Ordinary Activities before Taxation

	2018 £	2017 £
Operating Loss is stated after charging:		
Amortisation of Syndicate capacity	-	-
Profit on disposal of intangible fixed assets	-	-
Profit/(loss) on exchange	(1,886)	1,931

The Limited Liability Partnership has no employees.

The auditors charge a fixed fee to Argenta Private Capital Limited of £315 for the provision of the statutory audit, they also provide non-audit services through an outsourcing arrangement of approximately £515.

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### 5. Members' Remuneration

The key management personnel of the Limited Liability Partnership are considered to be the Members. The Members are not employees of the Limited Liability Partnership, and consequently the total remuneration of the Members consists of the allocated profit/(loss) for the year.

The average number of Members during the year was 7.

6. Intangible Assets	Total £
<b>Purchased Syndicate Capacity</b>	
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 January 2018	-
Additions	-
Disposals	-
At 31 December 2018	-
<b>Amortisation</b>	
At 1 January 2018	-
Additions	-
Disposals	-
At 31 December 2018	-
<b>Net Book Value</b>	
At 31 December 2018	-
At 31 December 2017	-

### 7. Financial Instruments and Financial Risk Management

#### 7.1 Financial Investments

##### Other financial investments – Syndicate participation

	2018 Market Value £	2017 Market Value £
Shares and other variable yield securities and units in unit trusts	965,633	1,402,050
Debt securities and other fixed income securities	1,192,576	-
Participation in investment pools	-	-
Loans with credit institutions	-	-
Derivative financial instruments	-	-
Other investments	-	-
Deposits with credit institutions	-	-
Other	-	-
	<u>2,158,209</u>	<u>1,402,050</u>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 7. Financial Instruments and Financial Risk Management (continued)

##### 7.2 Debtors

	2018			2017		
	Syndicate Participation £	Corporate £	Total £	Syndicate Participation £	Corporate £	Total £
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>						
Arising out of direct insurance operations	738,895	-	738,895	524,408	-	524,408
Arising out of reinsurance operations	161,248	-	161,248	116,726	-	116,726
<b>Other Debtors:</b>						
Amounts due from group undertakings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	702,897	266,258	969,155	65,122	582,058	647,180
Total Amounts falling due within one year	1,603,040	266,258	1,869,298	706,256	582,058	1,288,314
<b>Amounts falling due after one year:</b>						
Arising out of direct insurance operations	5	-	5	-	-	-
Arising out of reinsurance operations	60	-	60	11	-	11
<b>Other Debtors:</b>						
Amounts due from group undertakings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	126,638	301,367	428,005	-	-	-
Total Amounts falling due after one year	126,703	301,367	428,070	11	-	11
	1,729,743	567,625	2,297,368	706,267	582,058	1,288,325



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### Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 7. Financial Instruments and Financial Risk Management (continued)

##### 7.3 Creditors

	2018		2017	
	Syndicate Participation £	Corporate £	Syndicate Participation £	Corporate £
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>				
Arising out of direct insurance operations	43,706	-	67,724	-
Arising out of reinsurance operations	(131,200)	-	401,991	-
Amounts owed to credit institutions	-	-	-	-
<b>Other creditors:</b>				
Corporation tax	-	-	-	-
Members loan accounts	-	-	-	-
Third party funds	-	-	-	-
Other creditors	558,421	210,808	17,062	-
Amount due to group undertakings	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Amounts falling due within one year</b>	<b>470,927</b>	<b>210,808</b>	<b>486,777</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Amounts falling due after one year:</b>				
Arising out of direct insurance operations	-	-	-	-
Arising out of reinsurance operations	133	-	727	-
Amounts owed to credit institutions	-	-	-	-
<b>Other creditors:</b>				
Corporation tax	-	-	-	-
Members loan accounts	-	-	-	-
Third party funds	-	-	-	-
Other creditors	125,290	239,013	-	-
Amount due to group undertakings	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Amounts falling due after one year</b>	<b>125,423</b>	<b>239,013</b>	<b>727</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>596,350</b>	<b>449,821</b>	<b>487,504</b>	<b>-</b>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 7. Financial Instruments and Financial Risk Management (continued)

##### 7.4 Classification of Financial Instruments

The tables below set out the Limited Liability Partnership's financial instruments by classification.

##### Other financial investments – Syndicate participation

	2018			2017		
	At fair value through profit or loss £	At amortised cost £	Total £	At fair value through profit or loss £	At amortised cost £	Total £
<b>Financial assets</b>						
Investments	2,158,209	-	2,158,209	1,402,050	-	1,402,050
Deposits with ceding undertakings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance debtors	-	738,900	738,900	-	524,408	524,408
Reinsurance debtors	-	161,308	161,308	-	116,737	116,737
Other debtors	-	829,535	829,535	-	65,122	65,122
Cash at bank and in hand	-	816,476	816,476	-	463,501	463,501
Other assets	206,086	-	206,086	165,281	-	165,281
	<b>2,364,295</b>	<b>2,546,219</b>	<b>4,910,514</b>	<b>1,567,331</b>	<b>1,169,768</b>	<b>2,737,099</b>
<b>Financial liabilities</b>						
Borrowings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Derivative financial instruments	126	-	126	-	-	-
Insurance creditors	-	43,706	43,706	-	67,724	67,724
Reinsurance creditors	-	(131,067)	(131,067)	-	402,718	402,718
Amounts owed to credit institutions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other creditors	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>126</b>	<b>(87,361)</b>	<b>(87,235)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>470,442</b>	<b>470,442</b>

##### Other financial investments – Partnership

	2018			2017		
	At fair value through profit or loss £	At amortised cost £	Total £	At fair value through profit or loss £	At amortised cost £	Total £
<b>Financial assets</b>						
Investments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other debtors	-	567,625	567,625	-	582,058	582,058
Cash at bank and in hand	-	969	969	-	-	-
Other assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>-</b>	<b>568,594</b>	<b>568,594</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>582,058</b>	<b>582,058</b>
<b>Financial liabilities</b>						
Other creditors	-	449,821	449,821	-	-	-
	<b>-</b>	<b>449,821</b>	<b>449,821</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

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#### 7. Financial Instruments and Financial Risk Management (continued)

##### 7.4 Classification of Financial Instruments (continued)

The table below sets out details of the Limited Liability Partnership's derivative financial instruments.

	2018		2017	
	Notional amount £	Fair value £	Notional amount £	Fair value £
Foreign exchange forward contracts	64,929	(126)	-	-
Interest rate future contracts	-	-	-	-
Foreign exchange options	-	-	-	-
Equity options	-	-	-	-
Foreign exchange contract for difference	-	-	-	-
Other	-	126	-	-
	64,929	-	-	-

##### 7.5 Financial Instruments held at fair value through profit or loss

The assets and liabilities carried at fair value through profit or loss have been categorised between the three levels of the fair value hierarchy that reflects the observability and significance of inputs used when establishing the fair value. The categorisation of these instruments is based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

Level (a) in the fair value hierarchy consists of assets and liabilities valued using unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. An active market for the asset or liability is a market in which transactions for the asset or liability occur with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an on-going basis.

Level (b) in the fair value hierarchy consists of assets and liabilities that do not have directly quoted market prices available from active markets. Instead the price of a recent transaction for an identical asset or liability is used, provided that there has not been a significant change in economic circumstances or a significant lapse of time since the recent transaction.

Level (c) in the fair value hierarchy consists of those types of assets and liabilities for which fair values cannot be obtained directly from quoted market prices in active markets or in a recent transaction. These assets and liabilities are measured using a valuation technique to estimate what the transaction price would have been in an arm's length transaction.

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### 7. Financial Instruments and Financial Risk Management (continued)

#### 7.5 Financial Instruments held at fair value through profit or loss (continued)

The tables below set out the Limited Liability Partnership's financial instruments held at fair value through profit or loss by level of hierarchy.

#### Other financial investments – Syndicate participation

	Level (a) £	Level (b) £	Level (c) £	Fair value total £	Held at amortised cost £	Total £
<b>2018</b>						
<b>Financial assets</b>						
Shares and other variable yield securities and units in unit trusts	-	965,633	-	965,633	-	965,633
Debt securities and other fixed income securities	811,170	381,406	-	1,192,576	-	1,192,576
Participation in investment pools	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loans and deposits with credit institutions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Overseas deposits	138,676	67,410	-	206,086	-	206,086
Derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other investments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Financial assets classified as held for sale	-	-	-	-	-	-
	949,846	1,414,449	-	2,364,295	-	2,364,295
<b>Financial liabilities</b>						
Borrowings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Derivative liabilities	-	126	-	126	-	126
Financial liabilities classified as held for sale	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	126	-	126	-	126

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#### 7. Financial Instruments and Financial Risk Management (continued)

##### 7.5 Financial Instruments held at fair value through profit or loss (continued)

###### Other financial investments – Syndicate participation (continued)

	Level (a) £	Level (b) £	Level (c) £	Fair value total £	Held at amortised cost £	Total £
<b>2017</b>						
<b>Financial assets</b>						
Shares and other variable yield securities and units in unit trusts	8,633	1,393,417	-	1,402,050	-	1,402,050
Debt securities and other fixed income securities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Participation in investment pools	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loans and deposits with credit institutions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Overseas deposits	-	165,281	-	165,281	-	165,281
Derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other investments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Financial assets classified as held for sale	-	-	-	-	-	-
	8,633	1,558,698	-	1,567,331	-	1,567,331
<b>Financial liabilities</b>						
Borrowings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Derivative liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Financial liabilities classified as held for sale	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-

At the Partnership level the Limited Liability Partnership does not hold any financial investments. Consequently investment tables have not been presented for the Partnership.

##### 7.6 Financial Risk Management

The Limited Liability Partnership is a financial institution and therefore provides the following disclosures in respect of the financial instruments it holds. The Limited Liability Partnership holds only cash and cash equivalents in respect of financial instruments.

The Limited Liability Partnership is exposed to the following financial risks in the course of its operating and financing activities:

- Credit risk
- Liquidity risk
- Interest rate risk
- Equity price risk; and
- Currency risk

The management and control of each Syndicate is carried out by the managing agent of that Syndicate, and the Limited Liability Partnership looks to the managing agent to implement appropriate policies, procedures and internal controls to manage each Syndicate, including those in respect of financial risk management. The following qualitative risk management disclosures made by the Members therefore relate to the Partnership only. The quantitative disclosures are made in respect of both the Partnership and the Syndicates.

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#### 7. Financial Instruments and Financial Risk Management (continued)

##### 7.6 Financial Risk Management (continued)

###### Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty to the Limited Liability Partnership's financial instruments will cause a loss to the Limited Liability Partnership through failure to perform its obligations. The key areas of exposure to credit risk for the Limited Liability Partnership result through its reinsurance programme, investments, bank deposits and policyholder receivables.

The Limited Liability Partnership manages credit risk at the Limited Liability Partnership level by ensuring that investments and cash and cash equivalent deposits are placed only with highly rated credit institutions.

The carrying amount of the Limited Liability Partnership's financial assets represents the Limited Liability Partnership's maximum exposure to credit risk.

The tables below show the credit quality of financial assets that are neither past due nor impaired.

Syndicate participation	AAA £	AA £	A £	BBB or lower £	Not rated £	Total £
<b>2018</b>						
Shares and other variable yield securities and units in unit trusts	-	-	-	-	965,633	965,633
Debt securities and other fixed income securities	795,987	70,516	285,482	40,591	-	1,192,576
Participation in investment pools	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loans secured with credit institutions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits with credit institutions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Overseas deposits	119,480	26,211	20,809	27,029	12,557	206,086
Derivative investments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other investments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits with ceding undertakings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reinsurers share of claims outstanding	-	175,261	2,192,111	-	-	2,367,372
Reinsurance debtors	-	-	(170,109)	-	241,648	71,539
Cash at bank and in hand	742,270	-	74,206	-	-	816,476
Insurance debtors	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other debtors	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1,657,737	271,988	2,402,499	67,620	1,219,838	5,619,682

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### 7. Financial Instruments and Financial Risk Management (continued)

#### 7.6 Financial Risk Management (continued)

Syndicate participation	AAA £	AA £	A £	BBB or lower £	Not rated £	Total £
<b>2017</b>						
Shares and other variable yield securities and units in unit trusts	1,160,062	-	241,988	-	-	1,402,050
Debt securities and other fixed income securities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Participation in investment pools	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loans secured with credit institutions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits with credit institutions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Overseas deposits	165,281	-	-	-	-	165,281
Derivative investments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other investments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits with ceding undertakings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reinsurers share of claims outstanding	-	60,281	971,001	-	113	1,031,395
Reinsurance debtors	-	138	55,323	-	55	55,516
Cash at bank and in hand	-	-	463,501	-	-	463,501
Insurance debtors	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other debtors	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1,325,343	60,419	1,731,813	-	168	3,117,743

The tables below show the ageing and impairment of financial assets by class of instruments.

Syndicate participation	Neither due nor impaired £	Less than 6 months £	Between 6 months and 1 year £	Greater than 1 year £	Impaired £	Total past due or impaired £
<b>2018</b>						
Shares and other variable yield securities and units in unit trusts	965,633	-	-	-	-	965,633
Debt securities and other fixed income securities	1,192,576	-	-	-	-	1,192,576
Participation in investment pools	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loans secured with credit institutions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits with credit institutions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Overseas deposits	206,086	-	-	-	-	206,086
Derivative investments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other investments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits with ceding undertakings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reinsurers share of claims outstanding	2,367,372	-	-	-	-	2,367,372
Reinsurance debtors	(6,013)	76,183	337	1,032	-	71,539
Cash at bank and in hand	816,476	-	-	-	-	816,476
Insurance debtors	499,072	186,978	52,850	-	-	738,900
Other debtors	1,799,807	-	-	-	-	1,799,807
	7,841,009	263,161	53,187	1,032	-	8,158,389

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### 7. Financial Instruments and Financial Risk Management (continued)

#### 7.6 Financial Risk Management (continued)

Syndicate participation	Neither due nor impaired £	Less than 6 months £	Between 6 months and 1 year £	Greater than 1 year £	Impaired £	Total past due or impaired £
<b>2017</b>						
Shares and other variable yield securities and units in unit trusts	1,402,050	-	-	-	-	1,402,050
Debt securities and other fixed income securities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Participation in investment pools	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loans secured with credit institutions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits with credit institutions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Overseas deposits	165,281	-	-	-	-	165,281
Derivative investments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other investments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits with ceding undertakings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reinsurers share of claims outstanding	1,031,395	-	-	-	-	1,031,395
Reinsurance debtors	6,021	48,492	708	295	-	55,516
Cash at bank and in hand	463,501	-	-	-	-	463,501
Insurance debtors	374,144	94,166	56,098	-	-	524,408
Other debtors	691,093	-	-	-	-	691,093
	<b>4,133,485</b>	<b>142,658</b>	<b>56,806</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,333,244</b>

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial instruments.

The following tables detail the Limited Liability Partnership's remaining contractual maturity for its financial liabilities. The tables have been drawn up based on the undiscounted cash flows of financial liabilities based on the earliest date of which the Partnership can be required to pay.

Syndicate participation	No stated maturity £	Less than 1 year £	1 to 3 years £	3 to 5 years £	Greater than 5 years £	Total £
<b>2018</b>						
Derivative financial instruments	-	126	-	-	-	126
Deposits received from reinsurers	-	356,775	314,345	76,049	12,615	759,784
Provisions for other risks and charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
Claims outstanding	-	1,861,063	1,980,910	1,005,650	560,973	5,408,596
Creditors	-	159,814	297,299	100,050	39,187	596,350
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>-</b>	<b>2,377,778</b>	<b>2,592,554</b>	<b>1,181,749</b>	<b>612,775</b>	<b>6,764,856</b>



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#### 7. Financial Instruments and Financial Risk Management (continued)

##### 7.6 Financial Risk Management (continued)

Syndicate participation	No stated maturity £	Less than 1 year £	1 to 3 years £	3 to 5 years £	Greater than 5 years £	Total £
<b>2017</b>						
Derivative financial instruments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits received from reinsurers	-	109,212	124,924	79,599	2,632	316,367
Provisions for other risks and charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
Claims outstanding	-	1,169,169	891,371	717,009	247,814	3,025,363
Creditors	-	166,806	189,086	120,119	11,493	487,504
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	1,445,187	1,205,381	916,727	261,939	3,829,234

At the Partnership level the Limited Liability Partnership is not exposed to significant liquidity risk. Consequently a maturity profile has not been presented for the Partnership.

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

The Limited Liability Partnership is exposed to the risk of interest rate fluctuations in respect of cash and cash equivalents and other interest bearing securities.

At the Partnership level the Limited Liability Partnership manages interest rate risk by maintaining an appropriate mix between fixed and floating rate financial instruments.

The table below shows the impact of changes in interest rates on the profit or loss for the period and on the equity of the Limited Liability Partnership.

#### Syndicate participation

	2018 £	2017 £
Impact of 50 basis point increase on profit or loss	(8,177)	(7,010)
Impact of 50 basis point decrease on profit or loss	10,706	7,010
Impact of 50 basis point increase on equity	(8,177)	(7,010)
Impact of 50 basis point decrease on equity	10,706	7,010

At the Partnership level the Limited Liability Partnership is not exposed to significant cash flow interest rate risk as all of the financial instruments attract fixed rates of interest. Consequently a sensitivity analysis for interest rate risk has not been presented for the Partnership.

#### Equity price risk

Equity price risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market prices.

The Limited Liability Partnership is exposed to equity price risk in respect of its equity investments.

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#### 7. Financial Instruments and Financial Risk Management (continued)

##### 7.6 Financial Risk Management (continued)

The table below shows the impact of changes in equity prices on the profit or loss for the period and on the equity of the Limited Liability Partnership.

##### Syndicate participation

	2018 £	2017 £
Impact on profit or loss of 5% increase in Stock Market Prices	-	-
Impact on profit or loss of 5% decrease in Stock Market Prices	-	-
Impact on equity of 5% increase in Stock Market Prices	-	-
Impact on equity of 5% decrease in Stock Market Prices	-	-

At the Partnership level the Limited Liability Partnership is not exposed to significant cash flow equity price risk. Consequently a sensitivity analysis for equity price risk has not been presented for the Partnership.

##### Currency risk

The Limited Liability Partnership holds both assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than Sterling, its functional currency. It is therefore exposed to currency risk as the value of the foreign currency assets and liabilities will fluctuate in line with changes in foreign exchange rates.

At the Partnership level the Limited Liability Partnership manages currency risk by ensuring that exchange rate exposures are managed within approved policy parameters.

The table below considers financial assets and financial liabilities denominated in the currencies of the Limited Liability Partnership's principal foreign exchange exposures in aggregate.

##### Net assets and liabilities

	2018		2017	
	Syndicate Participation £	Partnership £	Syndicate Participation £	Partnership £
Sterling	(1,526,573)	108,773	(1,237,425)	572,058
United States Dollar	391,938	-	493,561	-
Euro	198,415	-	137,797	-
Canadian Dollar	(78,231)	-	(116,087)	-
Australian Dollar	-	-	-	-
Japanese Yen	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-

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#### 7. Financial Instruments and Financial Risk Management (continued)

##### 7.6 Financial Risk Management (continued)

The Limited Liability Partnership has delegated sole management and control of its underwriting through each Syndicate to the managing agent of the Syndicate and it has further undertaken not to interfere with the exercise of such management and control. The managing agents of the Syndicates are therefore responsible for determining the insurance transactions to be recognised. As such, disclosures in respect of the assumptions and judgements made, and the objectives, policies and processes for managing currency risk arising from assets and liabilities are only presented for the Partnership in these financial statements.

The Limited Liability Partnership's assets are held in various currencies but are all cash. As such, any exchange movement would be accounted for in the profit and loss.

	Partnership Profit and loss			
	31 December 2018		31 December 2017	
	Increase	Decrease	Increase	Decrease
Effect of Sterling exchange movement by 10%	£	£	£	£
United States Dollar	-	-	-	-
Euro	-	-	-	-
Canadian Dollar	-	-	-	-
Australian Dollar	-	-	-	-
Japanese Yen	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-

##### 7.7 Capital Management

###### Lloyd's capital setting process

In order to meet Lloyd's requirements, each Syndicate is required to calculate its Standard Capital Requirement ("SCR") for the prospective underwriting year. This amount must be sufficient to cover a 1 in 200 year loss, reflecting uncertainty in the ultimate run-off of underwriting liabilities (SCR "to ultimate"). The Syndicate must also calculate its SCR at the same confidence level but reflecting uncertainty over a one year time horizon (one year SCR) for Lloyd's to use in meeting Solvency II requirements. The SCRs of each Syndicate are subject to review by Lloyd's and approval by the Lloyd's Capital and Planning Group.

Each Syndicate Member is liable for its own share of underwriting liabilities on the Syndicate on which it participates but not other Members' shares.

Accordingly, the capital requirement that Lloyd's sets for each Member operates on a similar basis. Each Member's SCR shall thus be determined by the sum of the Member's share of the Syndicate SCR "to ultimate".

Over and above this, Lloyd's applies a capital uplift to the Member's capital requirement, the ECA. The purpose of this uplift, which is a Lloyd's not a Solvency II requirement, is to meet Lloyd's financial strength, licence and ratings objectives.

Effective 1 January 2016, Lloyd's is subject to the Solvency II capital regime and the Solvency I figures are no longer applicable from that date. Although the capital regime has changed, this has not significantly impacted the solvency capital requirement of the Syndicate, since this has been previously calculated using Solvency II principles.

The total Members' interests represent the capital which allows the Limited Liability Partnership to participate on the Syndicates.

The Partnership has complied with all externally imposed capital requirements during the year.

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#### 8. Insurance Contracts

The following reconciliation shows the movement in the provision for claims outstanding during the year.

	2018			2017		
	Gross provision £	Reinsurance asset £	Net £	Gross provision £	Reinsurance asset £	Net £
At 1 January	3,025,363	1,031,395	1,993,968	2,034,574	489,898	1,544,676
Movements in the year	2,207,256	1,277,598	929,658	1,172,319	592,488	579,831
Exchange differences	175,977	58,379	117,598	(181,530)	(50,991)	(130,539)
At 31 December	5,408,596	2,367,372	3,041,224	3,025,363	1,031,395	1,993,968

The following reconciliation shows the movement in the provision for unearned premium during the year.

	2018			2017		
	Gross provision £	Reinsurance asset £	Net £	Gross provision £	Reinsurance asset £	Net £
At 1 January	1,246,697	279,418	967,279	1,305,013	254,245	1,050,768
Movements in the year	387,632	224,773	162,859	50,076	58,581	(8,505)
Exchange differences	90,256	39,913	50,343	(108,392)	(33,408)	(74,984)
At 31 December	1,724,585	544,104	1,180,481	1,246,697	279,418	967,279

The following reconciliation shows the movement in deferred acquisition costs during the year.

	2018 £	2017 £
At 1 January	303,152	285,268
Movements in the year	100,495	39,269
Exchange differences	(67,248)	(21,385)
At 31 December	336,399	303,152

#### 8.1 Risks arising from Insurance Contracts

The Limited Liability Partnership has delegated sole management and control of its underwriting through each Syndicate to the managing agent of the Syndicate and it has further undertaken not to interfere with the exercise of such management and control. The managing agents of the Syndicates are therefore responsible for determining the insurance transactions to be recognised by the Limited Liability Partnership. As such, disclosures in respect of the assumptions and judgements made, and the objectives, policies and processes for managing risk arising from insurance contracts, are not presented in these financial statements.

The development of insurance liabilities provides a measure of the managing agent's ability to estimate the ultimate value of claims. The top half of each table below illustrates how the estimate of total claims outstanding for each accident year has changed at successive year ends. The bottom half of the table reconciles the cumulative claims to the amount appearing in the balance sheet.

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#### 8.1 Risks arising from Insurance Contracts (continued)

##### Claims development - gross

	At end of reporting year	One year later	Two years later	Three years later	Four years later	Five years later	Six years later	Seven years later
2011	346	652	650	637	628	625	625	621
2012	321	667	682	650	634	636	634	
2013	429	815	837	819	806	809		
2014	457	991	1,144	1,092	1,089			
2015	500	1,178	1,320	1,575				
2016	725	1,867	2,300					
2017	1,522	2,589						
2018	2,418							

	Cumulative payments to date	Estimated balance to pay	Profit/(loss) on RITC received
2011	610	10	7
2012	607	27	(37)
2013	759	50	(42)
2014	937	151	(54)
2015	980	595	246
2016	1,295	1,006	
2017	1,102	1,487	
2018	345	2,073	

##### Claims development - net

	At end of reporting year	One year later	Two years later	Three years later	Four years later	Five years later	Six years later	Seven years later
2011	284	576	561	550	542	540	541	537
2012	305	584	597	584	572	570	572	
2013	415	790	818	802	791	794		
2014	387	751	910	887	879			
2015	384	942	1,087	1,201				
2016	597	1,449	1,676					
2017	958	1,754						
2018	1,088							

	Cumulative payments to date	Estimated balance to pay	Profit/(loss) on RITC received
2011	528	9	7
2012	548	24	(18)
2013	748	46	(42)
2014	757	123	(29)
2015	851	349	105
2016	1,074	601	
2017	730	1,024	
2018	230	858	

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**9. Related Party Disclosure**

There are no related party transactions other than those disclosed in the members interest statements. Related party loans and balances do not attract interest and are repayable on demand.

**10. Ultimate Controlling Party**

There is no ultimate controlling party of the Partnership.