Tennant UK Cleaning Solutions Limited

Annual report and financial statements Registered number SC042491 31 December 2014



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Strategic report

The directors present their strategic report for the year ended 31 December 2014.

Principal activities

The company sells indoor and outdoor cleaning machines as well as providing relevant support and also backing this up with both parts sales and repair services to customers.

At the period end the company had shareholders' funds of £4,917,045 (2013: £5,962,225) including reserves of £4,783,651 (2013: £5,828,831), along with net current assets of £1,501,478 (2013: £2,028,661).

The supply and maintenance of cleaning machines will, in common with many other businesses, be subject to external economic factors and so the company will continue to be managed on a prudent basis, to ensure long term stability. Part of the company's business is to provide consignment manufacturing and support under intercompany agreement which guarantees the company a positive return on such activities.

Based on all these factors the directors believe that the general performance of the company will continue at satisfactory level for the foreseeable future and that it is appropriate for the directors to continue to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis.

By order of the board

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N W Hayes Director Castle Laurie Works Bankside Industrial Estate Falkirk FK2 7XE

29 June 2015

Directors' report

Results and dividends

The profit for the period, after taxation, amounted to £1,299,620 (2013: £1,434,368).

Dividends in the period amount to £2,000,000 (2013: £1,500,000)

Directors

The directors who held office during the year and up to the date of signing these financial statements were as follows:

Yves A A H C Derycke Nicholas W Hayes Patrick J O'Neill (resigned 15th September 2014) Heidi M Wilson Stuart W Winship Thomas Paulson Kristin A. Stokes (appointed 15th September 2014)

Donations

During the year the company made charitable contributions of £Nil (2013: £100).

Post balance sheet events

There have been no significant post balance sheet events.

Disclosure of information to auditor

The directors who held office at the date of approval of this directors' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditor is unaware; and each director has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a director to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditor is aware of that information.

Auditor

Pursuant to Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditor will be deemed to be reappointed and KPMG LLP will therefore continue in office.

By order of the board

NW Hayes
Director

Castle Laurie Works Bankside Industrial Estate Falkirk FK2 7XE

29 June 2015

Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the Strategic Report, the Directors' Report and the financial statements

The directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- · make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.



Independent auditor's report to the members of Tennant UK Cleaning Solutions Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Tennant UK Cleaning Solutions Limited for the year ended 31 December 2014 set out on pages 5 to 20. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and UK Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 3, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit, and express an opinion on, the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2014 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

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 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Philip Charles (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of KPMG LLP, Statutory Auditor

Chartered Accountants
191 West George Street

Glasgow

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29 June 2015

Profit and Loss Account

for the year ended 31 December 2014

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· ·	•	£	£
Turnover		24,016,385	21,483,427
Cost of sales	. ,	(17,386,505)	(15,222,693)
Gross profit		6,629,880	6,260,734
Administrative expenses		(5,279,193)	(4,686,595)
Other operating income		6,000	24,000
Operating profit	2	1,356,687	1,598,139
Interest receivable and similar income	5	60,255	14,536
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(77,898)	(110,587)
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Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		1,339,044	1,502,088
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	(39,424)	(67,720)
Profit for the financial year		1,299,620	1,434,368

All of the activities of the company are classed as continuing.

Balance Sheet

at 31 December 2014					
	Note	2014 £	2014 £	2013 £	2013 £
Fixed assets		r		~	£
Intangible assets	8		3,455,685		3,686,064
Tangible assets	9		349,442		418,660
Investments	10		2,409,740		2,409,740
Comment would			6,214,867		6,514,464
Current assets Stocks	11	253,803		325,266	
Debtors	12	4,176,788		4,260,965	
Cash at bank and in hand	12	1,757,051		364,574	
Cash at Cank and in haird					
		6,187,642		4,950,805	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	(4,686,164)		(2,922,144)	
Net current assets			1,501,478		2,028,661
Total assets less current liabilities			7,716,345		8,543,125
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	14		(2,287,300)		(2,287,300)
Not essets evaluating nancion liabilities			5,429,045		6,255,825
Net assets excluding pension liabilities Pension liabilities	22		(512,000)		(293,600)
Net assets			4,917,045		5,962,225
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	17		32,221		32,221
Share premium account	18		100,381		100,381
Capital redemption reserve	19		792		792
Profit and loss account	20		4,783,651		5,828,831
Shareholders' funds	21		4,917,045		5,962,225
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These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on 29 June 2015 and were signed on its behalf by:

N W Hayes Director

Company registered number: SC042491

Statement of total recognised gains and losses

for the year ended 31 December 2014	·	
	2014	2013
	· £	£
Profit for the financial year as reported	1,299,620	1,434,368
Actuarial loss recognised in the pension scheme	(431,000)	(12,000)
Deferred tax arising on losses in the pension scheme	86,200	(3,090)
Total account of mine within to the financial account	954,820	1,419,278
Total recognised gains relating to the financial year	954,820	1,419,276

Notes

(forming part of the financial statements)

1 Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the financial statements, except as noted below.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

Under FRS 1 the company is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement as 90% or more of the voting rights are controlled within a group whose consolidated financial statements are publicly available.

Consolidation

The financial statements present information about the undertaking as an individual undertaking and not about its group. Under Section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 the company is exempt from the obligation to prepare group financial statements.

Turnover

Turnover represents the total invoice value, excluding value added tax, of sales of sweeping machines plus spares and repairs revenue in the period. Turnover also includes tolling fee income earned from Tennant BV in respect of consignment manufacturing and support under intercompany agreement.

Sales revenue relating to sweeping machines is recognised at the point of delivery.

Sales revenue relating to maintenance contracts is deferred and recognised on a straight line basis over the period of the contract.

Research and development

Research and development expenditure is written off in the period in which it is incurred.

Patents

Patents are recorded at cost, less a provision for amortisation in value.

Amortisation

Amortisation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, net of anticipated disposal proceeds, over the estimated useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Patents

5% straight line

Fixed assets

All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost.

Fixed asset investments

Investments in subsidiary undertakings are stated at cost.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, net of anticipated disposal proceeds, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Plant and machinery

20% straight line

Fittings and equipment

15-33% straight line

Motor vehicles

25% straight line

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items. Cost comprises the purchase price of finished goods.

1 Accounting policies (continued)

Goodwill

Purchased goodwill (representing the excess of the fair value of the consideration given over the fair value of the separable net assets acquired) is capitalised. Goodwill is amortised to nil by equal annual instalments over its estimated useful life.

On subsequent disposal or termination of a business, the profit or loss on disposal or termination is calculated after charging the unamortised amount of any related goodwill.

Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost less provision for any permanent diminution in value.

Operating lease agreements

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged against profits on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company. The annual contributions payable are charged to the profit and loss account.

The company also operates a defined benefit pension scheme in respect of employees who transferred to the company from Tennant UK Limited at the start of 2011. Pension scheme assets in relation to the scheme are measured using market values whilst pension scheme liabilities are measured using the attained age method and discounted at the current rate of return on a high quality corporate bond of equivalent term and currency to the liability.

The pension scheme surplus (to the extent that it is recoverable) or deficit is recognised in full. The movement in the scheme surplus/deficit is split between operating charges, finance items and, in the statement of total recognised gains and losses, actuarial gains and losses.

Deferred taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the profit for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes.

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date, where transactions or events that result in an obligation to pay more or a right to pay less tax in the future have occurred by the balance sheet date with certain limited exceptions.

Deferred tax is calculated on an undiscounted basis at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which the timing differences are expected to reverse, based on tax rates and laws enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

A deferred tax asset is regarded as recoverable and therefore recognised only when, on the basis of all available evidence, it can be regarded as more likely than not there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the identifying timing differences can be deducted.

Foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Non monetary assets and liabilities and transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating profit.

Warranty

A provision for warranty is recognised when the underlying products are sold. The provision is based upon historical warranty data.

2	Operating	profit
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	2014	2013
	. £	· £
Operating profit is stated after charging/(crediting):	•	
Amortisation of goodwill	230,379	230,379
Depreciation of owned fixed assets	72,586	99,034
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	- .	4,682
Operating lease costs – land and buildings	283,413	301,628
Net loss/(gain) on foreign currency transaction (non group)	19,902	(22,136)
Research and development expenditure	372,435	356,360
Auditors' remuneration:		
	2014 £	2013 £
		~
Audit of these financial statements	34,000	30,500
Amounts receivable by auditors and their associates in respect of:		
Other services relating to taxation	10,250	10,000
All other services	2,800	2,750
3 Remuneration of directors		
5 Remuneration of directors		
	2014	2013
••	£	£
Directors' emoluments	180,516	176,600
Company contributions to money purchase pension schemes	6,861	6,441
Company contributions to money purchase perision senemes	=====	
•		
		of directors
	2014	2013
Retirement benefits are accruing to the following number of directors under:	•	
Money purchase schemes	2	2

4 Staff numbers and costs

The average number of persons employed by the Company (including directors) during the year, analysed by category, was as follows:

category, was as follows:		
	Number 2014	of employees 2013
Production staff Administrative staff	134 63	126 54
	197	180
The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:	2014 £	2013 £
Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs (note 22)	7,030,999 744,972 227,995	6,467,615 682,344 206,068
	8,003,966	7,356,027
5 Interest receivable and similar income		
	2014 £	2013 £
Interest income Net interest income on pension scheme (note 22)	4,255 56,000	14,536
	60,255	14,536
6 Interest payable and similar charges		
	2014 £	. 2013 £
Intercompany loans On bank borrowings Net interest expense on pension scheme (note 22)	76,496 1,402 -	76,496 27,091 7,000
	77,898	110,587
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7 Taxation

Analysis of charge in year	•	
	2014	2013
·	£	£
UK corporation tax		
Current corporation tax on income for the year	2,809	44,271
Adjustments in respect of prior year	(7,861)	(28,916)
	(5,052)	15,355
Deferred tax	40 504	
Origination and reversal of timing differences in the year	10,506	10,161
Adjustment in respect of prior periods	· -	(798)
Deferred tax on pension scheme liability	33,970	22,358
Effect of change in rate	-	20,644
	44,476	52,365
·	44,470	J2,30J
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	39,424	67,720

Factors affecting the tax charge for the current year

The current tax charge for the year is lower (2013: lower) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK (21.5%, 2013: 23.25%). The differences are explained below.

•	2014 £	2013 £
Current tax reconciliation	·	
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	1,339,044	1,502,088
	· —	
Current tax at 21.5% (2013: 23.25%)	287,894	349,235
Effects of:		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	56,658	60,314
Other timing differences	¹ (33,941)	(22,358)
Depreciation in excess of capital allowances	(10,506)	(10,161)
Group relief received for nil consideration	(297,296)	(332,759)
Adjustments in respect of prior year	(7,861)	(28,916)
Total current corporation tax charge	(5,052)	15,355
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Reductions in the UK corporation tax rate from 26% to 24% (effective from 1 April 2012) and to 23% (effective 1 April 2013) were substantively enacted on 26 March 2012 and 3 July 2012 respectively. Further reductions to 21% (effective from 1 April 2014) and 20% (effective from 1 April 2015) were substantively enacted on 2 July 2013. This will reduce the company's future tax charge accordingly. It has not yet been possible to quantify the full anticipated effect of the announced further rate reduction, although this will further reduce the company's future current corporation tax charge and reduce the company's deferred tax balances accordingly.

ð	intangible assets	
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	Goodwill £	Patents £	Total £
Cost At beginning and end of year	4,607,580	21,393	4,628,973
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Amortisation At beginning of year	921,516	21,393	942,909
Charged in year	230,379	-	230,379
	,		
At end of year	1,151,895	21,393	1,173,288
Net book value			
At 31 December 2014	3,455,685	-	3,455,685
At 31 December 2013	3,686,064		3,686,064
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Goodwill is amortised over 20 years.

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and machinery £	Fittings and equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost	. 1.044.447	-		
At beginning of year Additions	1,044,447 3,368	70,701	376,812	1,491,960 3,368
At end of year	1,047,815	70,701	376,812	1,495,328
Depreciation At beginning of year Charge for year	694,143 60,909	18,959 7,069	360,198 4,608	1,073,300 72,586
At end of year	755,052	26,028	364,806	1,145,886.
Net book value At 31 December 2014	292,763	44,673	12,006	349,442
At 31 December 2013	350,304	51,742	16,614	418,660

10 Investments			
Shares in group companies			£
Cost At beginning and end of year			2,409,740
Net book value At 31 December 2014			2,409,740
The companies in which the Company	's interest at the period	end is more than 20% are as follows:	
Subsidiary undertakings	Country of incorporation	Principal activity	Class and percentage of shares held
Applied Sweepers Group Leasing Ltd Applied Kermaschinen GmbH Applied Sweepers International Ltd Tennant UK Limited	Scotland Germany Scotland England	Sale and hire of sweeping machines Dormant company Dormant company Holding company	Ordinary 100% Ordinary 100% Ordinary 100% Ordinary 100%
11 Stocks		2014 £	2013 £
Finished goods and goods for resale		253,803	325,266
12 Debtors		2014	2013
Trade debtors Amounts owed by group undertakings Prepayments and accrued income Corporation tax Deferred tax asset (see note 15)		\$ 3,803,023 40,391 226,493 51,496 55,385	£ 3,708,879 221,661 192,039 69,585 68,801
		4,176,788	4,260,965
13 Creditors: amounts falling of	lue within one year	2014 £	2013 £
Trade creditors Amounts owed to group undertakings Other taxes and social security Accruals and deferred income		185,883 2,786,121 972,005 742,155	182,386 1,282,496 776,707 680,555
·		4,686,164	2,922,144
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14 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2014	2013
	£	£
Amounts owed to group undertaking	2,287,300	2,287,300

The amounts due to group undertaking represents one loan which is due for repayment in 2020. This loan attracts interest based on the LIBOR rate.

15 Deferred taxation

The amounts provided (2013: provided) at the end of the year are as follows:

The allieums provided (2015) provided at the one of the year are as follows:	2014 £	2013 £
Balance at beginning of year Charged in year	68,801 (13,416)	101,333 (32,532)
Balance at end of year	55,385	68,801
Analysed as:	2014 £	2013 £
Difference between taxation allowances and depreciation on fixed assets Other timing differences	42,358 13,027	55,801 13,000
	55,385	68,801

16 Commitments under operating leases

At 31 December 2014 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below:

		Land and	Land and buildings		
		2014	2013		
		£	£		
Operating leases which expire:					
Within one year		17,566	5,625		
Within two to five years		120,000	163,288		
In five years or more	:	116,500	114,500		
·		•			
•		254,066	283,413		
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17	Called up share capital	·	•
		2014	2013
	ed, called up and fully paid	. £	£
32,221	1 ordinary shares of £1 each	32,221	32,221
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18	Share premium account		
		2014 £	2013 £
Balan	ace at beginning and end of year	100,381	100,381
		·	
19	Capital redemption reserve		
19 .	Capital redelliption reserve	2014	2013
		£	£
Balan	ce at beginning and end of year	792	792
20	Profit and loss account		_
		2014	. 2013
		£	£
	ce brought forward	5,828,831	5,909,553
Divide	for the financial year ends	1,299,620 (2,000,000)	1,434,368 (1,500,000)
	rial loss on pension scheme red taxation on actuarial loss	(431,000) 86,200	(12,000) (3,090)
Deleti	red taxation on actual at 1035		
Balane	ce carried forward	4,783,651	5,828,831
		<u> </u>	·····
21	Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds		
	•	2014 £	2013 £
		-	
Profit f	for the financial year	1,299,620 (2,000,000)	1,434,368 (1,500,000)
Actuar	rial loss on pension scheme	(431,000)	(12,000)
Deterre	ed taxation on actuarial loss	86,200	(3,090)
	duction in shareholders' funds	(1,045,180)	(80,722)
Openin	ng shareholders' funds	5,962,225	6,042,947
Closing	g shareholders' funds	4,917,045	5,962,225
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22 Pension scheme

Defined contribution pension scheme

The Company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension cost charge for the period represents contributions payable by the Company to the scheme and amounted to £133,995 (2013: £115,068). There were no outstanding or prepaid contributions at either the beginning or end of the financial year.

The Company also operates a defined benefit pension scheme covering eligible employees. The scheme is fully funded; its funds are administered by trustees who are independent of the company.

FRS 17 disclosures

The actuarial valuation of the Scheme as at 6 April 2011 was updated to 31 December 2014 by a qualified actuary, using a set of assumptions consistent with those required under FRS 17.

Since the pension scheme obligations only transferred to the Company on 1 January 2011 the comparative figures set out in the remainder of this note prior to 2011, which are presented on a proforma basis only, and which have been extracted from the audited financial statements of Tennant UK Limited for the year ended 31 December 2010, are presented for illustrative purposes only.

The assets in the scheme and the expected return of the main asset classes were as follows:

	31 Dece	31 December 2014		31 December 2013	
·	Rate of Return	Value £000	Rate of Return	Value £000	
With profits policy Annuities	4.4% 3.5%	6,409 1,347	5.6% 4.4%	5,876 1,268	
Total value of scheme assets		7,756		7,144	
Present value of scheme liabilities		(8,396)		(7,511)	
Deficit in scheme Related deferred tax asset		(640) 128		(367)	
Net pension liability		(512)		(294)	
1					
Movements in present value of defined ber	iefit obligation		2014	2013	
			£000	£000	
At 1 January			7,511	7,152	
Current service cost			94	91	
Interest cost	^ .		325 811	319 184	
Actuarial losses			13	184	
Contributions by members Benefits paid			(358)	(250)	
At 31 December			8,396	7,511	
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Change in assumptions

Actuarial loss

22 Pension scheme (continued) Movements in fair value of plan assets 2014 2013 £000 £000 6,701 At 1 January 7,144 Expected return on plan assets 381 312 380 172 Actuarial gains 194 Contributions by employer 196 15 Contributions by members 13 Benefits paid (358)(250)7,144 7,756 At 31 December 2013 2014 Expenses recognised in the profit and loss account £000 £000 94 Current service cost Interest on defined benefit pension plan obligations 325 319 (312)Expected return on defined benefit pension plan assets (381)98 38 The expense is recognised in the following line items in the profit and loss account: 2014 2013 £000 £000 91 Cost of sales 94 Interest payable and similar charges (56)7 38 98 Analysis of amount recognised in STRGL 2014 2013 £000 £000 380 172 Actual less expected return on scheme assets 109 62 Experience gains (920)(246)

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22 Pension scheme (continued)

Cumulative actuarial losses reported in the statement of total recognised gains and losses are losses of £626,000 (2013: £195,000). The fair value of the plan assets and the return on those assets were as follows:

	2014	2013
•	Fair value	Fair value
	£000	£000
Equities	2,684	. 2,465
Bonds	2,885	2,636
Property	558	479
Cash	1,629	1,564
	7,756	7,144
•		
Actual return on plan assets	761	484

The assets are invested in a with-profits contract. To develop the expected long-term rate of return on assets assumptions, the Company considered the current level of expected returns on risk free investments (primarily government bonds), the historical level of the risk premium associated with the other asset classes in which the fund is invested and the expectations for future returns of each asset class. This resulted in an investment return assumption of 1.0% above government bonds.

The major assumptions used by the actuary were:

				2014	2013
	,	•	•	₹	
Rate of increase in pensionable salaries				3.5%	4.5%
Rate of increase of pensions in payment				3.1%	3.4%
Expected return on assets				4.4%	5.6%
Discount rate				3.5%	4.4%
Inflation assumption				3.2%	3.5%

In valuing the liabilities of the pension fund at 31 December 2014, mortality assumptions have been made as indicated below.

The assumptions relating to longevity underlying the pension liabilities at the balance sheet date are based on standard actuarial mortality tables and include an allowance for future improvements in longevity. The assumptions are equivalent to expecting a 65-year old to live for a number of years as follows:

- Current pensioner aged 65: 22.2 years (male), 24.1 years (female).
- Future retiree upon reaching 65: 24.4 years (male) 25.9 years (female).

22 Pension scheme (continued)

History of plan

The history of plan for current and prior periods is as follows:

Balance sheet	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Present value of scheme liabilities	(8,396)	(7,511)	(7,152)	(6,519)	(6,173)
Fair value of scheme assets	7,756	7,144	6,701	6,271	5,659
Deficit	(640)	(367)	(451)	(248)	(514)
History of experience gains and losses	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Difference between the actual and expected return on scheme assets % of scheme assets	380	172	. 215	298	153
	5%	2%	3%	5%	3%
Experience gains and losses on scheme liabilities % of scheme liabilities	(109)	(62)	(5)	(96)	.112
	1%	1%	0%	(1%)	<i>2%</i>
Total amount recognised in STRGL % of scheme liabilities	(431)	(12)	(295)	188	(341)
	5%	0%	4%	3%	<i>6%</i>

23 Related party disclosures

Exemption has been taken from disclosing transactions with other group undertakings under paragraph 17 of Financial Reporting Standard 8.

24 Ultimate parent company and parent undertaking of larger group of which the company is a member

The Company is a subsidiary undertaking of Applied Sweepers Holdings Limited which, in turn, is a subsidiary undertaking of Tennant Scotland Limited. The ultimate parent company is Tennant Company which is incorporated in the United States.