

Registration number: SC190330

# 3 ED Glasgow Limited

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2023



**3 ED Glasgow Limited**

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### **3 ED Glasgow Limited**

#### **Company Information**

<b>Directors</b>	M T Smith
	A C Ritchie
	C T Solley
	K A McLellan
	J S Gordon
	S McGhee
<b>Company secretary</b>	Semperian Secretariat Services Limited
<b>Registered office</b>	Exchange Tower
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	Edinburgh
	EH3 8EH
<b>Independent Auditors</b>	PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
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### **3 ED Glasgow Limited**

## **Strategic Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

The directors present their strategic report for the year ended 31 March 2023.

#### **Principal activity**

The principal activity of the company is to design, construct, refurbish and provide lifecycle maintenance, and facilities management services to schools within the Glasgow area over a 30 year period. Included within the project are 29 secondary schools and 1 primary school. All of the schools were handed over by October 2003 and are fully operational.

#### **Results and review of business**

The profit for the year is set out in the profit and loss account on page 10. The directors consider the performance of the company during the year and the financial position at the end of the year, to be in line with the long term expected performance of the project, and its prospects for the future to be satisfactory.

#### **Principal risks and uncertainties**

The company has taken on the activity, as detailed above, and is risk averse in its trading relationships with its customer, funders and sub-contractors as determined by the terms of their respective detailed PFI contracts. In extreme circumstances, the company could be exposed to subcontractor failure to perform their obligations. The Board monitors the financial stability of its subcontractors and has contingency plans in place to ensure the continuity of service provision to its client, should any subcontractor become unable to perform its obligations. The financial risks and the measures taken to mitigate them are as detailed in the Directors' report.

#### **Key performance indicators ('KPIs')**

The company's operations are managed under the supervision of its shareholders and funders and are largely determined by the detailed terms of the PFI contract which stipulates key performance criteria on operational activities as managed by the sub-contractor. For this reason, the company's directors believe that further operational key performance indicators for the company are not necessary or appropriate for an understanding of the performance or position of the business. In addition the directors monitor compliance with debt covenant ratios as specified in the senior loan agreement, in particular the Debt Service Cover Ratio, and no non-compliance has been noted.

#### **Streamlined energy and carbon reporting**

3 ED Glasgow Limited applies the Operational Control approach when determining the Organisational Boundary. Based on this approach, energy consumption is attributable to the end user of this energy, and it is not consumed by 3 ED Glasgow Limited. Therefore, 3 ED Glasgow Limited claims an exemption from SECR for this financial year, as the company has consumed less than 40,000 kWh of energy during the financial year.

#### **S172 Statement**

The following disclosure describes how the Board regards the matters set out in section 172 (1) (a) to (f) and forms the Directors' statement required under section 414CZA of the Companies Act 2006.

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#### **Strategic Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)**

The purpose of the company is to design, build, finance and operate 29 secondary schools and 1 primary school within the Glasgow area over a concession period of 30 years under an agreement with our client, Glasgow City Council. The company's aim is to work in partnership with our client to provide suitable accommodation and maintain that accommodation to meet relevant legislation and agreed service levels. This shapes the company's values and objectives and defines long term success. Decisions are taken in the context of working in partnership with the client and other stakeholder groups. The company has long term funding in place, as described in the Directors' Report. A set of contracts set out the relationships with the client, debt funders, maintenance and operations contractors. These parties are the company's main stakeholders. The company also works with community groups to enable both their support for the client and the full use of the accommodation asset. The environmental impact of the accommodation is considered to support statutory and other reporting. Where changes to the accommodation impact the community, these are considered with the client. Debt funders are provided with operational and financial performance reports on a quarterly basis. The operational management team work closely with the client and the maintenance and operations contractor, in order to programme lifecycle and major maintenance works to minimise disruption. The client receives regular updates on programmed works and access requests to enable those works.

The company does not have any employees but works with the maintenance and operations contractors to ensure that health and safety reporting is transparent, and the contractors provide a suitably skilled and sustainable workforce.

The Board of Directors is an experienced team which is appointed by the shareholders to represent their interests and ensure their instructions are considered and implemented for the long-term success of the company. The board members have experience of working with the other key stakeholders, which assists them in identifying and considering the long-term consequences of principal decisions. The board meet on a quarterly basis and reports are provided at these meetings by the operational and financial management teams. These reports will have regard to health and safety matters, the operational and financial performance of the project, planned lifecycle and major maintenance work and relationships with the client, and the main subcontractor. The operational and financial management team make recommendations to the board of directors. These recommendations and reports are considered at the board meetings and actions arising are monitored. Decisions made by the Directors that have a financial impact are accounted for in a concession length forecast of financial performance.

Principal decisions of the company are those that are key to the company's success, these include but are not limited to: decisions impacting the relationships between the parties, decisions impacting the availability and safety of the accommodation, and decisions impacting the return to the shareholders.

The principal decisions made by the Board of Directors during the year ended 31 March 2023 were:

- Lifecycle and major maintenance expenditure
- Payment of dividends

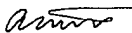
Life cycle and major maintenance expenditure is planned following asset condition surveys to maintain the accommodation at the required statutory and contractual standards. It is also to ensure the asset will meet the required contractual standards at the end of the concession. The delivery of these works is carefully planned with the maintenance and operations contractors and client, to ensure minimum disruption to the users of the accommodation and the safety of the contractor's employees.

Dividends are declared only after having had regard to the company's ability to meet its debt payments and covenant ratios both now and in the future. This ensures the stability of the company to allow it to continue providing the accommodation to its client, for use by the public.

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**Strategic Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)**

Approved by the Board on 24 July 2023  
..... and signed on its behalf by:

  
.....  
A C Ritchie  
Director

### 3 ED Glasgow Limited

## Directors' Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

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The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023.

#### **Future developments**

No significant changes are expected to the company's activities, as set out in the Strategic Report, in the foreseeable future.

#### **Dividends**

A dividend of £6,536,000 (£326.81 per ordinary share) was paid during the year (2022: £3,337,000 £166.84 per ordinary share). On 30 June 2023 a dividend of £1,827,000 (£91.35 per ordinary share) was declared and paid.

#### **Financial risk management**

The company has exposures to a variety of financial risks which are managed with the purpose of minimising any potential adverse effect on the company's performance. The Directors have policies for managing each of these risks and they are summarised below:

##### ***Interest rate risk***

The senior debt interest has been fixed through the use of fixed funding rates, plus a margin, as set out in note 14.

As described in note 2, the company has negotiated consistent terms, rates and transition dates, with the respective counterparties. The transition to SONIA plus CAS completed on 15 September 2022 for both the LIBOR linked debt and swaps. As the hedge effectiveness has been maintained, there is no change to the entity's overall risk management strategy as a result of the benchmark rate replacement.

##### ***Inflation risk***

The company's project revenue and most of its costs were linked to inflation at the inception of the project, resulting in the project being largely insensitive to inflation.

##### ***Liquidity risk***

The company adopts a prudent approach to liquidity management by endeavouring to maintain sufficient cash and liquid resources to meet its obligations as they fall due.

##### ***Credit risk***

The company receives the majority of its revenue from Glasgow City Council and is not exposed to significant credit risk. Cash investments are with institutions of a suitable credit quality.

##### ***Major maintenance replacement risk***

The company is responsible for managing the ongoing major maintenance replacement of the building and relevant equipment, but the risks associated with this activity are largely borne by the subcontractor.

#### **Directors of the company**

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

M T Smith

A C Ritchie

C T Solley

K A McLellan

R W Christie (resigned 25 May 2023)

J S Gordon

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#### Directors' Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

The following director was appointed after the year end:

S McGhee (appointed 25 May 2023)

##### Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the Financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulation.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have prepared the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", and applicable law).

Under company law, 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 the financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- state whether applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; 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 safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The directors are also 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.

##### Directors' confirmations

In the case of each director in office at the date the Directors' Report is approved:

- so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware; and
- they have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a director in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

##### Reappointment of auditors

The independent auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors, have signified their willingness to continue in office.

Approved by the Board on 24 July 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



.....  
A C Ritchie  
Director



## **3 ED Glasgow Limited**

### **Independent Auditors' Report to the members of 3 ED Glasgow Limited**

#### **Report on the audit of the financial statements**

##### **Opinion**

In our opinion, 3 ED Glasgow Limited's financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 March 2023 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", and applicable law); and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the financial statements, included within the Annual Report and Financial Statements (the "Annual Report"), which comprise: the Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2023; the Profit and Loss Account, Statement of Comprehensive Income and Statement of Changes in Equity for the year then ended; and the notes to the financial statements, which include a description of the significant accounting policies.

##### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ("ISAs (UK)") and applicable law. Our responsibilities under ISAs (UK) are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

##### *Independence*

We remained independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, which includes the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

##### **Conclusions relating to going concern**

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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

However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this conclusion is not a guarantee as to the company's ability to continue as a going concern.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

##### **Reporting on other information**

The other information comprises all of the information in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in this report, any form of assurance thereon.

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#### Independent Auditors' Report to the members of 3 ED Glasgow Limited (continued)

##### Reporting on other information (continued)

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 an apparent material inconsistency or material misstatement, we are required to perform procedures to conclude whether there is a material misstatement of 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 based on these responsibilities.

With respect to the Strategic Report and Directors' Report, we also considered whether the disclosures required by the UK Companies Act 2006 have been included.

Based on our work undertaken in the course of the audit, the Companies Act 2006 requires us also to report certain opinions and matters as described below.

##### *Strategic Report and Directors' Report*

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, the information given in the Strategic Report and Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2023 is consistent with the financial statements and has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

In light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we did not identify any material misstatements in the Strategic Report and Directors' Report.

##### Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit

###### *Responsibilities of the directors for the financial statements*

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable framework and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. The directors are also responsible for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

###### *Auditors' 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 auditors' 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.

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

Based on our understanding of the company and industry, we identified that the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations related to UK corporation tax legislation and the Companies Act 2006; and we considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the financial statements. We evaluated management's incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls), and determined that the principal risks were related to posting inappropriate journal entries and management bias in accounting estimates. Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

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#### Independent Auditors' Report to the members of 3 ED Glasgow Limited (continued)

- Discussions with management and internal audit to enquire of any known instances of non-compliance with Laws and Regulations and Fraud
- Reading board minutes for evidence of breaches of regulations and reading relevant correspondence
- Challenging assumptions and judgements made by management in their significant accounting estimates
- Identifying and testing journal entries, in particular journal entries posted with unexpected account combinations
- Incorporating unpredictability into the nature, timing and/or extent of our testing

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above. We are less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations that are not closely related to events and transactions reflected in the financial statements. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the FRC's website at: [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditors' report.

#### *Use of this report*

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

#### Other required reporting

##### Companies Act 2006 exception reporting

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

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

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.



Stephen Patey (Senior Statutory Auditor)  
for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP  
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors  
Bristol

Date: 27 July 2023

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#### Profit and Loss Account for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

	Note	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
<b>Turnover</b>	4	44,416	39,298
Cost of sales		<u>(38,041)</u>	<u>(32,758)</u>
<b>Gross profit</b>		6,375	6,540
Administrative expenses		<u>(574)</u>	<u>(527)</u>
<b>Operating profit</b>	5	5,801	6,013
Income from shares in group undertakings	6	1,898	1,898
Interest receivable and similar income	7	9,907	10,248
Interest payable and similar expenses	8	<u>(9,389)</u>	<u>(10,109)</u>
<b>Profit before taxation</b>		8,217	8,050
Tax on profit	9	<u>(2,367)</u>	<u>(5,749)</u>
<b>Profit for the financial year</b>		<u>5,850</u>	<u>2,301</u>

The above results were derived from continuing operations.

#### Statement of Comprehensive Income for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

	Note	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
<b>Profit for the financial year</b>		<u>5,850</u>	<u>2,301</u>
<b>Other comprehensive income / (expense):</b>			
Change in value of hedging instrument	19	8,166	6,413
Reclassifications to profit and loss	19	3,832	6,717
Deferred tax arising on unrealised movements on cash flow hedges	9	<u>(2,999)</u>	<u>(1,407)</u>
<b>Other comprehensive income / (expense) for the year, net of tax</b>		<u>8,999</u>	<u>11,723</u>
<b>Total comprehensive income / (expense) for the year</b>		<u>14,849</u>	<u>14,024</u>

The notes on pages 13 to 26 form an integral part of these financial statements.

**3 ED Glasgow Limited****Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2023**

	Note	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Investments	10	27,312	27,312
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	11	100,618	113,957
Debtors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	21,512	23,554
Cash at bank and in hand		31,253	26,077
		<u>153,383</u>	<u>163,588</u>
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	13	<u>(13,416)</u>	<u>(14,192)</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>139,967</u>	<u>149,396</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>167,279</u>	<u>176,708</u>
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	13	(110,622)	(129,772)
<b>Provisions for liabilities</b>	15	<u>(10,735)</u>	<u>(9,327)</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>45,922</u>	<u>37,609</u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Called up share capital	16	20	20
Cash flow hedge reserve		(4,596)	(13,595)
Profit and loss account		<u>50,498</u>	<u>51,184</u>
<b>Total equity</b>		<u>45,922</u>	<u>37,609</u>

The financial statements on pages 10 to 26 were approved by the Board of Directors on 24 July 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



A C Ritchie  
Director

The notes on pages 13 to 26 form an integral part of these financial statements.

**3 ED Glasgow Limited****Statement of Changes in Equity for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

	Note	Called up Share capital £ 000	Cash flow hedge reserve £ 000	Profit and loss account £ 000	Total equity £ 000
At 1 April 2021		20	(25,318)	52,220	26,922
Profit for the financial year		-	-	2,301	2,301
Other comprehensive income / (expense)		-	11,723	-	11,723
Total comprehensive income / (expense)		-	11,723	2,301	14,024
Dividends	17	-	-	(3,337)	(3,337)
At 31 March 2022		20	(13,595)	51,184	37,609
	Note	Called up Share capital £ 000	Cash flow hedge reserve £ 000	Profit and loss account £ 000	Total equity £ 000
At 1 April 2022		20	(13,595)	51,184	37,609
Profit for the financial year		-	-	5,850	5,850
Other comprehensive income / (expense)		-	8,999	-	8,999
Total comprehensive income / (expense)		-	8,999	5,850	14,849
Dividends	17	-	-	(6,536)	(6,536)
At 31 March 2023		20	(4,596)	50,498	45,922

The notes on pages 13 to 26 form an integral part of these financial statements.

### **3 ED Glasgow Limited**

## **Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

### **1 General information**

The principal activity of the company is to design, construct, refurbish and provide lifecycle maintenance, and facilities management services to schools within the Glasgow area over a 30 year period. Included within the project are 29 secondary schools and 1 primary school. All of the schools were handed over by October 2003 and are fully operational.

The company is a private company limited by shares and is incorporated and domiciled in Scotland.

The address of its registered office is:

Exchange Tower  
19 Canning Street  
Edinburgh  
EH3 8EH  
United Kingdom

The company's functional and presentation currency is the pound sterling.

### **2 Accounting policies**

#### **Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates**

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

#### **Statement of compliance**

These financial statements were prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006.

#### **Basis of preparation**

These financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis, under the historical cost convention, as modified by the recognition of certain financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with FRS 102 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the company's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in note 3.

#### **Interest rate benchmark reform**

The entity has floating rate debt and related hedging instruments which are subject to SONIA, as disclosed in notes 14 and 19. The Company has negotiated consistent terms, rates and transition dates, with the respective counterparties, although formal transition was only achieved on 15 September 2022. In the meantime, synthetic LIBOR was applied.

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#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

##### 2 Accounting policies (continued)

###### Finance debtor and interest receivable

The company has elected to take the exemption under FRS 102 paragraph 35.10 (i) to continue to apply its previous accounting treatment in respect of Service Concession Arrangements entered into prior to the date of transition to FRS 102. This has resulted in the measurement of the finance debtor being different from that which would have resulted had the requirements of FRS 102 Section 34 been fully adopted. The costs incurred in constructing the assets have been treated as a finance debtor. This treatment arose from applying the guidance within previous UK GAAP which indicated that the project's principal agreements transfer substantially all the risks and rewards relating to the property to the customer.

The finance debtor represents the costs arising on the construction of the assets including initial tender costs. During asset construction, finance debtor interest income is recognised on an accruals basis and is capitalised within the finance debtor receivable. Once the project reached its operational phase and was accepted by the customer a constant proportion of the planned net revenue arising from the project was allocated to remunerate the finance debtor. Imputed interest receivable is allocated to the finance debtor using a property specific rate to generate a constant rate of return over the life of the contract. Over the course of the contract term the finance debtor is expected to be fully repaid.

###### Investment income

Investment income may include dividends and interest receivable. Dividends are included, as 'Income from shares in group undertakings'. Interim dividends are recognised when paid, whilst final dividends are recognised when approved by the paying company. Interest receivable is included, as 'Interest receivable and similar income', on an accruals basis. This heading may also include the amortisation of any premium or discount on the purchase of the loan which has been spread over the life of the loan to determine an effective interest rate.

###### Tax

The tax expense for the period comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in profit or loss, except that a change attributable to an item of income or expense recognised as other comprehensive income / (expense) is also recognised directly in other comprehensive income / (expense).

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date in the countries where the company operates and generates taxable income.

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 tax in the future or a right to pay less tax in the future have occurred at the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax is measured 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 that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax is measured on a non-discounted basis. Deferred tax assets are only recognised when it is considered more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of underlying timing differences can be deducted.

###### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value. Cash balances are held in bank accounts which are subject to controls, exercised by the providers of the company's long term debt facilities, under the terms of its facility agreements.



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#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

##### 2 Accounting policies (continued)

###### Financial Instruments

The company has chosen to adopt Sections 11 and 12 of FRS 102 in respect of financial instruments.

###### *(a) Financial assets*

Basic financial assets, including trade and other receivables, finance debtors, cash and bank balances, are initially recognised at transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest.

Such assets are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

At the end of each reporting period financial assets measured at amortised cost are assessed for objective evidence of impairment. If an asset is impaired the impairment loss is the difference between the carrying amount and the present value of the estimated cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. The impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

If there is a decrease in the impairment loss arising from an event occurring after the impairment was recognised the impairment is reversed. The reversal is such that the current carrying amount does not exceed what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised. The impairment reversal is recognised in profit or loss.

Financial assets are derecognised when (a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or (b) substantially all the risks and rewards of the ownership of the asset are transferred to another party or (c) control of the asset has been transferred to another party who has the practical ability to unilaterally sell the asset to an unrelated third party without imposing additional restrictions.

###### *(b) Financial liabilities*

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other payables, bank loans, loans from fellow group companies and preference shares that are classified as debt, are initially recognised at transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest.

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

Interest accrues on each debt instrument on a daily basis at the applicable rate. The entity has floating rate senior debt and related hedging instruments which are subject to SONIA plus CAS, as disclosed in notes 14 and 19. The entity has fixed rate subordinated debt, as disclosed in note 14.

Fees paid on the establishment of loan facilities are recognised as transaction costs of the loan to the extent that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down. In this case, the fee is deferred until the draw-down occurs. To the extent there is no evidence that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down, the fee is capitalised as a pre-payment for liquidity services and amortised over the period of the facility to which it relates.

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

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the liability is extinguished, that is when the contractual obligation is discharged, cancelled or expires.

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#### **Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)**

##### **2 Accounting policies (continued)**

###### ***(c) Offsetting***

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

###### ***(d) Derivatives and Hedging arrangements***

Derivatives, which may include interest rate swaps and RPI swaps, are not basic financial instruments.

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at their fair value. Changes in the fair value of derivatives are recognised in profit or loss in finance costs or income as appropriate, unless they are included in hedging arrangements.

The company applies hedge accounting for transactions entered into to manage the cash flow exposures of borrowings. Interest rate swaps are held to manage the interest rate exposures and are designated as cash flow hedges of floating rate borrowings.

Changes in the fair values of derivatives designated as cash flow hedges, and which are effective, are recognised directly in equity. Any ineffectiveness in the hedging relationship (being the excess of the cumulative change in fair value of the hedging instrument since inception of the hedge over the cumulative change in the fair value of the hedged item since inception of the hedge) is recognised in the profit and loss account.

The gain or loss recognised in other comprehensive income / (expense) is reclassified to the profit and loss account in the same period in which the hedged transaction is recognised in the profit and loss account or when the hedge relationship ends. Hedge accounting is discontinued when the hedging instrument expires, no longer meets the hedging criteria, the forecast transaction is no longer highly probable, the hedged debt instrument is derecognised or the hedging instrument is terminated.

###### **Called up share capital**

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Equity instruments are measured at the fair value of the cash or other resources received or receivable, net of the direct costs of issuing the equity instruments. If payment is deferred and the time value of money is material, the initial measurement is on a present value basis.

###### **Dividends**

Final dividends and other distributions to the company's shareholders are recognised as a liability in the financial statements in the period in which the dividends and other distributions are approved by the company's shareholders. Interim dividends are recognised when paid. These amounts are recognised in the statement of changes in equity.

###### **Fixed asset investments**

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

### 3 ED Glasgow Limited

#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

##### 2 Accounting policies (continued)

###### Revenue recognition

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents the amount receivable for goods supplied or services rendered, net of returns, discounts and rebates allowed by the company and value added taxes.

The company recognises income when it has fully fulfilled its contractual obligations. The company includes sales and purchase transactions related to variations under the original contract where the benefits and risks are retained by the company, within the financial statements as turnover and cost of sales.

Where appropriate, income received under the PFI contract in respect of services provided during the operational phase of the contract is deferred to future periods in order to match those elements of income with the costs to which they relate. The turnover and cost of sales are recorded in the profit and loss account in the period in which the relevant costs are incurred.

Transactions to which the company does not have access to all the significant benefits and risks are excluded from the financial statements.

###### Exemptions for qualifying entities under FRS 102

FRS 102 allows a qualifying entity certain disclosure exemptions. The exemptions which the company has taken are:

- the requirement to prepare a statement of cash flows;
- certain financial instrument disclosures providing equivalent disclosures are included in the consolidated financial statements of the group in which the entity is consolidated;
- the requirement to disclose related party transactions, with the members of the same group, that are wholly owned;

##### 3 Critical accounting judgements and estimation uncertainty

Judgements, estimates and associated assumptions are based upon historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily available from other sources.

The judgements, estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to the accounting estimates made are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised, if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods. Actual results may subsequently differ from these estimates.

Certain critical accounting judgements and estimates as applicable, adopted by management, in applying the company's accounting policies are described below:

###### Judgements

###### Treatment of derivatives

The directors have adopted a policy of cash flow hedge accounting for derivative financial instruments and have assessed that the company's interest rate swaps meet the criteria for hedge accounting under FRS 102. This allows unrealised gains and losses to be deferred in a cash flow hedge reserve and only recognised through the profit and loss account at the same time as the hedged cash flows.

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#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

##### 3 Critical accounting judgements and estimation uncertainty (continued)

###### Effect of LIBOR reform

In calculating the change in fair value attributable to the hedged risk of floating-rate debt, 3 ED Glasgow Limited has made the following assumptions that reflect the contracts it has now entered:

- No other changes to the terms of the floating-rate debt have occurred.

Amounts accrued for the interest rate swap for the period 15 March 2023 to 31 March 2023 have been calculated on the same basis as the previous payment made under SONIA on 15 December 2022, using a floating rate of 3.7122%.

###### Estimates

###### Finance debtor and turnover recognition

The accounting for service concession contracts and finance debtors requires estimation of service margins (being forecast of contract income less estimates of operating and major maintenance replacement costs), finance debtor interest rates and associated amortisation profile which are based on the forecast results of the PFI contracts over the respective concession length. See notes 11 and 12 for the carrying value of the finance debtor.

###### Impairment of debtors

Management makes an estimate of the likely recoverable value of trade and other debtors by considering factors including the current credit rating, the ageing profile and the historic experience of the respective debtor. See note 12 for the carrying value of the debtors.

###### Impairment of investments

Management makes an estimate of the likely recoverable value of investments by considering factors including the historical performance, and future forecasts of the respective investment. See note 10 for the carrying value of the investments.

###### Measurement of derivatives

Derivative financial instruments are recognised at fair value. The measurement of fair value is based on estimates of future market interest and inflation rates and will therefore be subject to change. The company has used a third party expert to assist with valuing such instruments. See note 19 for the fair value of the financial instruments.

##### 4 Turnover

The company has been engaged solely in continuing activities in a single class of business within the United Kingdom.

##### 5 Operating profit

The company had no employees during the year (2022: none). The emoluments of the directors are paid by the controlling parties. The directors' services to this company and to a number of fellow group companies are primarily of a non-executive nature and their emoluments are deemed to be wholly attributable to the controlling parties. The controlling parties charged £190,000 (2022: £177,000) to the company in respect of these services.

The audit fee in respect of the company was £12,199 for the year (2022: £9,844). The company also bore the audit fees of the other group undertakings of £9,153 (2022: £7,386) during the year. There have been no fees for non-audit services paid to the company's auditors.

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#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

##### 6 Income from shares in group undertakings

	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
Income from shares in group undertakings	<u>1,898</u>	<u>1,898</u>

The income from shares in group undertakings is the preference share dividend receivable from 3 ED Sisterco Limited, see note 10.

##### 7 Interest receivable and similar income

	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
Imputed interest receivable on finance debtor	9,168	10,202
Interest income on bank deposits	739	42
Other finance income	-	4
	<u>9,907</u>	<u>10,248</u>

##### 8 Interest payable and similar expenses

	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
Interest on bank borrowings	3,386	1,164
Interest rate swap costs	3,836	6,717
Other finance costs	32	29
Interest payable on subordinated loans	<u>2,135</u>	<u>2,199</u>
	<u>9,389</u>	<u>10,109</u>

### 3 ED Glasgow Limited

#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

#### 9 Tax on profit

##### (a) Tax expense included in profit or loss

	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
<b>Current taxation</b>		
UK corporation tax	3,958	3,429
UK corporation tax adjustment to prior periods	-	(35)
Total current taxation	3,958	3,394
<b>Deferred taxation</b>		
Arising from origination and reversal of timing differences	(1,591)	(1,278)
Arising from changes in tax rates and laws	-	3,633
Total deferred taxation	(1,591)	2,355
Tax on profit	2,367	5,749

##### (b) Tax relating to items recognised in other comprehensive income / (expense) or equity

	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
<b>Deferred tax</b>		
Arising from origination and reversal of timing differences	2,999	3,282
Arising from changes in tax rates and laws	-	(1,875)
Total tax expense included in other comprehensive income / (expense)	2,999	1,407

##### (c) Reconciliation of tax charge

The tax on profit for the year is higher than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK (2022: higher than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK) of 19% (2022: 19%).

The differences are reconciled below:

	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
Profit before taxation	8,217	8,050
Corporation tax at standard rate	1,561	1,530
Income not subject to tax	(361)	(361)
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	1,548	1,289
Adjustments to tax charge in respect of prior years	-	(35)
Re-measurement of deferred tax - change in UK tax rates	(381)	3,326
Total tax charge	2,367	5,749

### 3 ED Glasgow Limited

#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

#### 9 Tax on profit (continued)

##### (d) Tax rate changes

On the 3 March 2021 the UK Government announced that from 1 April 2023 the corporation tax rate will increase to 25% from 19%. This new law was substantively enacted on 24 May 2021. Deferred taxes at the balance sheet date have been measured using these enacted tax rates and reflected in these financial statements.

#### 10 Investments

	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
Investments in related undertakings	27,312	27,312
	<u>27,312</u>	<u>27,312</u>

On 1 February 2008, the company purchased 27,312,040 £1 preference shares at par, issued by 3 ED Sisterco Limited, a fellow group undertaking. The shares are non-voting, carry a fixed cumulative preference dividend of 6.95% which accrues on a daily basis, and has no specific repayment term.

#### 11 Debtors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
Finance debtor	100,618	113,957
	<u>100,618</u>	<u>113,957</u>

#### 12 Debtors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
Trade debtors	7,216	7,115
Finance debtor	13,437	15,254
Corporation tax	343	264
Prepayments and accrued income	516	921
	<u>21,512</u>	<u>23,554</u>

### 3 ED Glasgow Limited

#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

##### 13 Creditors

	Note	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
<b>Amounts falling due within one year</b>			
Senior debt	14	7,152	7,017
Subordinated debt	14	-	395
Trade creditors		2,738	3,487
Other creditors including taxation and social security		1,144	955
Accruals and deferred income		2,382	2,338
		<u>13,416</u>	<u>14,192</u>
<b>Amounts falling due after more than one year</b>			
Senior debt	14	88,516	95,668
Subordinated debt	14	15,958	15,958
Amounts owed to group undertakings		20	20
Derivative financial instruments	19	6,128	18,126
		<u>110,622</u>	<u>129,772</u>

##### 14 Loans and borrowings

	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
<b>Loans and borrowings falling due within one year</b>		
Senior debt	7,152	7,017
Subordinated debt	-	395
	<u>7,152</u>	<u>7,412</u>
<b>Loans and borrowings falling due between one and five years</b>		
Senior debt	49,991	44,800
Subordinated debt	1,002	-
	<u>50,993</u>	<u>44,800</u>



### 3 ED Glasgow Limited

#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

##### 14 Loans and borrowings (continued)

	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
<b>Loans and borrowings falling due after more than five years</b>		
Senior debt	38,525	50,869
Subordinated debt	14,956	15,958
	<u>53,481</u>	<u>66,827</u>

The senior debt, assigned to Bank of Scotland Plc as security trustee via Scots Law, is repayable in six-monthly instalments by December 2029. The senior debt is secured by a debenture/first ranking fixed and floating charge, assignment of all project documents, first ranking equitable charge over shares and direct agreements granting step in rights under the project agreement. The loans accrued interest at LIBOR plus a weighted average margin of 0.50% on a quarterly basis.

The senior debt was subject to synthetic LIBOR plus margin until 15 September 2022 and 30 September 2022 respectively, at which point the rates transferred to SONIA plus CAS and margin.

The £16,750,000 series 'A' senior subordinated loan notes and £16,750,000 series 'B' junior subordinated loan notes are repayable in instalments, as cashflows permit, commencing in September 2004 until September 2022 and September 2030 respectively. These loan notes are subordinated to the right of payment of senior debt providers with an interest rate fixed at 10% and 13.25% per annum respectively. The series 'A' senior subordinated loan was fully repaid in June 2022.

##### 15 Provisions for liabilities

	Deferred tax £ 000
At 1 April 2022	9,327
Additions dealt with in profit or loss	(1,591)
Additions dealt with in other comprehensive income	2,999
At 31 March 2023	<u>10,735</u>

The provision for deferred tax consists of the following deferred tax liabilities/(assets):

	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
Accelerated capital allowances	11,095	12,543
Other timing differences	1,172	1,316
Fair value of financial instruments	(1,532)	(4,532)
	<u>10,735</u>	<u>9,327</u>

The net deferred tax liability expected to reverse in the next 12 months is £1,362,000 (2022: £1,318,000). This primarily relates to the reversal of timing differences on capital allowances.

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#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

##### 16 Called up share capital

##### Allotted, called up and fully paid shares

	2023		2022	
	No.	£ 000	No.	£ 000
Ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>20,000</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>20,000</u>	<u>20</u>

##### 17 Dividends

	2023	2022
	£ 000	£ 000
Interim dividend of £326.81 (2022 - £166.84) per ordinary share	<u>6,536</u>	<u>3,337</u>

On 30 June 2023 a dividend of £1,827,000 (£91.35 per ordinary share) was declared and paid.

##### 18 Related party transactions

As a wholly owned subsidiary of 3 ED Holdings Limited, the company has taken advantage of the exemption under FRS 102 - paragraph 33.1A of the requirement to disclose transactions between it and other group companies.

The following companies are fellow group undertakings of the shareholders of the ultimate parent undertaking and together with undertakings within the individual groups of companies, are considered to be related parties to the company, as defined in FRS 102 - paragraph 33.9.

Semperian Business Support Limited  
 Imagile Professional Services Limited  
 Semperian PPP Investment Partners Limited  
 Semperian PPP Investment Partners No.2 Limited  
 Aberdeen Infrastructure Finance GP Limited  
 Aberdeen Infrastructure Limited  
 Dalmore Capital Limited  
 Jura Acquisition Limited

The company incurred the following costs in respect of the provision of staff and support services:

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#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

##### 18 Related party transactions (continued)

	Type of expense	Year ended 31 March 2023 £ 000	Year ended 31 March 2022 £ 000
Imagile Professional Services Limited	Support services	99	70
Semperian Business Support Limited	Support services	367	269
Semperian PPP Investment Partners Limited	Support services	71	55
Semperian PPP Investment Partners No.2 Limited	Loan interest	662	682
Aberdeen Infrastructure Finance GP Limited	Support services	70	87
Aberdeen Infrastructure Limited	Loan interest	1,046	1,078
Jura Acquisition Limited	Support services	46	35
Dalmore Capital Limited	Loan interest	427	440

##### Amounts owed to:

	Year ended 31 March 2023 £ 000	Year ended 31 March 2022 £ 000
Imagile Professional Services Limited	-	36
Semperian Business Support Limited	75	23
Semperian PPP Investment Partners No.2 Limited	5,273	5,403
Aberdeen Infrastructure Limited	8,334	8,540
Jura Acquisition Limited	9	30
Dalmore Capital Limited	3,402	3,486

### 3 ED Glasgow Limited

#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

##### 19 Financial instruments

##### Fair value of derivatives used for hedging in the Balance Sheet

	Note	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year - Fair value of swaps	13	(6,128)	(18,126)
Net Fair value of swaps in the Balance Sheet		<u>(6,128)</u>	<u>(18,126)</u>

##### Movement in Fair value of derivatives used for hedging

	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
Recognised through Other Comprehensive Income / (Expense)	11,998	13,131
	<u>11,998</u>	<u>13,131</u>

The company has entered into two interest rate swaps to receive interest at LIBOR and pay interest at a fixed weighted average rate of 6.1%. The swaps are based on an original principal amount of £257,800,000, which reduces in line with the principal amount of the company's sterling senior loan facilities, and matures in 2029 on the same date as the senior loans.

The instruments are used to hedge the company's exposure to interest rate movements on the senior loan facilities. The hedging arrangement fixes the total interest payable on the senior loans to 6.1% plus a weighted average margin of 0.5%. The fair value of the interest rate swaps are £6,128,000 (2022: £18,126,000)

The interest rate swaps were subject to synthetic LIBOR until 15 September 2022 and 30 September 2022 respectively, at which point the rates transferred to SONIA plus CAS.

Cash flows on the loans and one of the interest rate swaps are paid quarterly and on the second interest rate swap is paid semi-annually until 2029. During 2023, a hedging gain of £8,166,000 (2022: £6,413,000 gain) was recognised in other comprehensive income for changes in the fair value of the interest rate swaps and £3,832,000 (2022: £6,717,000) was reclassified from the hedge reserve to profit and loss within interest payable.

The interest rate swaps are measured at fair value which is determined using valuation techniques that utilise observable inputs. The key inputs used in valuing the derivatives are forward interest rates.

##### 20 Parent and ultimate parent undertaking

The company's immediate parent is 3 ED Holdings 2 Limited, incorporated in Scotland.

The ultimate parent and controlling party is 3 ED Holdings Limited, incorporated in Scotland. The smallest group and largest group to consolidate these financial statements is 3 ED Holdings Limited. These financial statements are available upon request from the Registrar of Companies, Companies House, 4th Floor Edinburgh Quay 2, 139 Fountainbridge, Edinburgh EH3 9FF.