# ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

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#### **BROOKE BOND GROUP LIMITED**

#### **COMPANY INFORMATION**

**DIRECTORS** 

Ms A J K Elphick

Mr R C Hazell

Ms A L King

Mr J Thurston (resigned 18 April 2016, appointed 13 December

2016 and resigned 16 January 2017)

**COMPANY SECRETARIES** 

Mr J O Earley

Mr R C Hazell

Ms S Magol

(appointed 23 March 2016)

Mr J Thurston (resigned 23 February 2016)

**REGISTERED NUMBER** 

36581

**REGISTERED OFFICE** 

**Unilever House** 

100 Victoria Embankment

London EC4Y ODY

**United Kingdom** 

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR** 

**KPMG LLP Statutory Auditor** 

**Chartered Accountants** 

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### BROOKE BOND GROUP LIMITED

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#### **BROOKE BOND GROUP LIMITED**

# DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

The Directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016.

#### **DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT**

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

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 101 'Reduced Disclosure Framework'. 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 judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; 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 are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

#### **PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY**

The principal activity of the Company is to act as a holding company. All expenses, including the remuneration of the auditor, were borne by the ultimate parent undertaking or a fellow subsidiary.

#### **RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS**

The profit for the year, after taxation, amounted to £19,603,000 (2015: profit £17,477,000).

No dividend was paid during the year (2015: £NIL).

#### **BROOKE BOND GROUP LIMITED**

# DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

#### **DIRECTORS**

The Directors who held office during the year were:

Ms A J K Elphick Mr R C Hazell Ms A L King

Mr J Thurston (resigned 18 April 2016, appointed 13 December 2016 and resigned 16 January 2017)

#### **POLITICAL AND CHARITABLE DONATIONS**

The Company made no donations or incurred any political and charitable expenditure during the year (2015: £NIL).

#### **FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

The Directors consider that, in the conditions prevailing during the year, the development of the Company's business and its financial position at the end of the year were satisfactory. The Directors do not expect any development in the Company's business in the coming year which is significantly different from its present activities.

#### PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The management of the business and the execution of the Company's strategy are subject to a number of risks. The key business risks and uncertainties affecting the Company are considered to relate to the deterioration of the underlying businesses that support the investments held. Additional risks that this Company and the Unilever Group are subject to, and how they are managed, in the context of the Unilever Group as a whole is provided in the Unilever Group published annual report for the year ended 31 December 2016.

#### FINANCIAL KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Given the straightforward nature of the business, the Company's Directors are of the opinion that analysis using key performance indicators is not necessary for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business.

#### **BROOKE BOND GROUP LIMITED**

# DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

#### 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 he/she ought to have taken as a Director to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditor is aware of that information.

#### STRATEGIC REPORT

The Company has taken advantage of disclosure exemptions available to small companies under Section 414B of the Companies Act 2006, and has not prepared a strategic report.

#### **POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS**

On 2nd January 2017 as part of the restructure of the Australia legal entities, the Company acquired the entire issued share capital of Unilever Australia Group Pty Limited for a total consideration of A\$539,899,937. The Company issued promissory notes to satisfy the consideration payable on the shares.

#### **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.

This report was approved by the Board on 7 June 2017 and signed on its behalf by

Mr R C Hazell

Director

Registered Office: Unilever House, 100 Victoria Embankment, London, EC4Y 0DY, United Kingdom

Company registration number: 36581

#### **BROOKE BOND GROUP LIMITED**

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF BROOKE BOND GROUP LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Brooke Bond Group Limited for the year ended 31 December 2016, set out on pages 6 to 22. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including FRS 101 'Reduced Disclosure Framework'.

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 1, 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 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 2016 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 Directors' Report for the financial year is consistent with the financial statements.

Based solely on the work required to be undertaken in the course of the audit of the financial statements and from reading the Directors' report:

we have not identified material misstatements in that report; and

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF BROOKE BOND GROUP LIMITED

• in our opinion, that report has been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

#### 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; or
- the directors were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

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Sarah Rolls	Senior Statutory Auditor	)

for and on behalf of KPMG LLP Statutory Auditor

**Chartered Accountants** 

15 Canada Square London E14 5GL United Kingdom

Date: 1 Tre BOIT

# PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

	Note	20 <u>1</u> 6 £000	2015 £000
Administrative expenses	<u> </u>	(7)	(10)
Operating profit/(loss)	. 3	(7)	(10)
Income from shares in group undertakings	7	20,387	16,470
Other interest receivable and similar income	8 .	75	· -
Interest payable and similar charges	. 8	(1,503)	` <del>-</del>
Exchange adjustments		48	638
Result on ordinary activities before taxation		19,000	17,098
Taxation on result on ordinary activities	9	603	379
Profit / (loss) for the financial year	· 	19,603	17,477

#### **BROOKE BOND GROUP LIMITED**

# STATEMENT OF OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

	Note	2016 £000	2015 £000
Profit / (loss) for the year		19,603	17,477
Other comprehensive income: Items that are or may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Fair value gains / (losses)		123,035	. 112,052
Total comprehensive income for the year	_	142,638	129,529

#### BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2016

	Note	2016 £000	2015 £000
Fixed assets		1000	1000
Investments	10	5,047,426	4,924,378
	· -	5,047,426	4,924,378
Current assets		,	
Debtors (including £24,354,000 (2015: £24,284,000) due after more than one year)	11	24,930	24,698
Cash at bank and in hand		2	12
	_	24,932	24,710
Current liabilities			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12 _	(214,519)	(233,887)
Net current assets/(liabilities)	_	(189,587)	(209,177)
Total assets less current liabilities	_	4,857,839	4,715,201
Net assets	<u></u>	4,857,839	4,715,201
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	13	86,662	86,662
Share premium		30,990	30,990
Revaluation reserve		33,528	33,528
Fair value reserve		1,041,702	918,667
Profit and loss account	, ,	3,664,957	3,645,354
Shareholders' funds	· <u> </u>	4,857,839	4,715,201

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on  $\sqrt{2}$  June 2017 and were signed on its behalf by

Mr R C Hazell

Director

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

	Called up share capital	Share premium	. Reval- uation reserves	Fair value reserves	Profit and loss	Total equity
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
At 1 January 2016	86,662	30,990	33,528	918,667	3,645,354	4,715,201
Total comprehensive income for the period						
Profit/(loss) for the year	-	-	-	-	19,603	19,603
Fair value gains / (losses)	, <del>-</del>	-	-	123,035	-	123,035
At 31 December 2016	86,662	30,990	33,528	1,041,702	3,664,957	4,857,839

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

	Called up share capital £000	Share premium £000	Reval- uation reserves £000	Fair value reserves £000	Profit and loss account £000	Total equity £000
At 1 January 2015	86,662	30,990	33,528	806,615	3,627,877	4,585,672
Total comprehensive income for the period	·					
Profit/(loss) for the year	· <del>-</del>		-	-	17,477	17,477
Fair value gains / (losses)	-	-	-	112,052		112,052
At 31 December 2015	86,662	30,990	33,528	918,667	3,645,354	4,715,201

#### **BROOKE BOND GROUP LIMITED**

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 1.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Brooke Bond Group Limited (the "Company") is a private company incorporated, domiciled and registered in the UK. The registered number is 36581 and the registered address is Unilever House, 100 Victoria Embankment, London, EC4Y ODY, United Kingdom.

The Company is exempt by virtue of section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 from the requirement to prepare group financial statements. These financial statements present information about the Company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

These financial statements were prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101 'Reduced Disclosure Framework' ("FRS 101"). The amendments of FRS 101 (2014/15 Cycle) issued in July 2015 and effective immediately have been applied.

In preparing these financial statements, the Company applies the recognition, measurement and disclosure requirements of International Accounting Standards as adopted by the EU ("Adopted IFRSs"), but makes amendments where necessary in order to comply with Companies Act 2006 and has been set out below where advantages of the FRS 101 disclosure exemptions has been taken.

The Company's ultimate parent undertaking, Unilever PLC, includes the Company in its consolidated financial statements. The consolidated financial statements of Unilever PLC are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and provided in the published Unilever PLC Annual Report, available at www.unilever.com.

In these financial statements, where applicable, the Company has applied the exemptions available under FRS 101 in respect of the following disclosures:

- A Cash Flow Statement and related notes;
- Comparative period reconciliations for share capital, tangible fixed assets, intangible assets and investment properties;
- Disclosures in respect of transactions with wholly owned subsidiaries;
- Disclosures in respect of capital management;
- The effects of new but not yet effective IFRSs;
- Disclosures in respect of compensation of Key Management Personnel; and
- Disclosures of transactions with a management entity that provides key management personnel services to the company.

As the consolidated financial statements of Unilever PLC includes equivalent disclosures, the Company has also taken the exemptions under FRS 101 available in respect of the following disclosures where applicable:

IFRS 2 Share Based Payments in respect of group settled share based payments;

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

- Certain disclosures required by IAS 36 Impairment of assets in respect of the impairment of goodwill and indefinite life intangible assets;
- Disclosures required by IFRS 5 Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations in respect of the cash flows of discontinued operations;
- Certain disclosures required by IFRS 3 Business Combinations in respect of business combinations undertaken by the Company; and
- Certain disclosures required by IFRS 13 Fair value measurement and the disclosures required by IFRS 7 Financial Instrument Disclosures.

The Company proposes to continue to adopt the reduced disclosure framework of FRS 101 in its next financial statements.

The accounting policies set out below have, unless otherwise stated, been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements.

#### 1.2 CONSOLIDATION

The company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Unilever PLC. It is included in the consolidated financial statements of Unilever Group which are publicly available. Therefore the company is exempt by virtue of section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 from the requirement to prepare group financial statements. These financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

#### 1.3 MEASUREMENT CONVENTION

The financial statements are prepared on the historical cost basis except that the following assets and liabilities are stated at their fair value: financial instruments classified as available-for-sale.

#### 1.4 GOING CONCERN

When preparing financial statements, management makes an assessment of the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. The Company shall prepare financial statements on a going concern basis unless management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease trading, or has no realistic alternative but to do so. When management is aware, in making its assessment, of material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt upon the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, the Company shall disclose those uncertainties. When the Company does not prepare financial statements on a going concern basis, it shall disclose that fact, together with the basis on which it prepared the financial statements and the reason why the Company is not regarded as a going concern.

Brooke Bond Group Limited has net current liabilities. These financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis because Unilever PLC has formally indicated that it will continue to provide financial and other support to the Company to enable it to trade and meet its liabilities as and when they become due, for at least the next twelve months.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### 1.5 DEBTORS

Debtors are amounts due for services performed in the ordinary course of business and other receivables. If collection is expected in one year or less (or in the normal operating cycle of the business if longer), they are classified as due within one year. If not, they are presented as due after more than one year.

Debtors are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment.

Interest-bearing borrowings are recognised initially at fair value less attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, interest-bearing borrowings are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses.

#### 1.6 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash is represented by cash in hand and deposits with financial institutions repayable without penalty on notice of not more than 24 hours. Cash equivalents are highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with insignificant risk of change in value.

#### 1.7 VALUATION OF INVESTMENTS

Investments in Group undertakings are entities controlled by the Company, where control is the power directly or indirectly to govern the financial and operating policies of the entity so as to obtain benefit from its activities.

Associated company investments are entities in which the Group has a long term interest and over which the Group has directly or indirectly significant influence, where significant influence is the ability to influence the financial and operating policies of the entity. Other investments are shares in other entities, for which the Company's influence is less than significant, these are held at cost less accumulated impairment losses. Listed investments in equity securities held by the Company are classified as being available-for-sale and are stated at fair value, with any resultant gain or loss being recognised directly in equity (in the fair value reserve), except for impairment losses. When these investments are derecognised, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised directly in equity is recognised in profit or loss.

Investments in Group undertakings and associates are held at cost less accumulated impairment losses. Where the value of an investment is considered to have been permanently impaired, a carrying value below cost method is employed and any impairment charge is taken to the Profit and Loss Account.

The carrying amounts of the Company's fixed assets investments are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, then

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. The recoverable amount of an asset or cash-generating unit is the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs to sell.

In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. For the purpose of impairment testing, assets that cannot be tested individually are grouped together into the smallest group of assets that generates cash inflows from continuing use that are largely independent of the cash inflows of other assets or groups of assets (the "cash-generating unit").

Impairment losses recognised in prior periods are assessed at each reporting date for any indications that the loss has decreased or no longer exists. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

#### 1.8 CREDITORS

Creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. If payment is expected in one year or less, they are classified as due within one year. If not, they are presented as due after more than one year.

Creditors are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### 1.9 FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION

Functional and presentation currency

The company's functional and presentational currency is GBP.

#### Transactions and balances

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated to the Company's functional currencies at the foreign exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are retranslated to the functional currency at the foreign exchange rate ruling at that date. Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction. Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies that are stated at fair value are retranslated to the functional currency at foreign exchange rates ruling at the dates the fair value was determined. Foreign exchange differences arising on translation are recognised in the profit and loss account.

#### **BROOKE BOND GROUP LIMITED**

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### 1.10 FINANCE COSTS

Net finance costs are comprised of finance costs and finance income, including net finance costs in relation to pensions and similar obligations.

#### 1.11 INTEREST INCOME AND EXPENSE

Interest income and expense are recognised in the Profit and loss account using the effective interest method.

#### 1.12 DIVIDENDS

Equity dividends are recognised when they become legally payable. Interim equity dividends are recognised when paid. Final equity dividends are recognised when approved by the shareholders at an annual general meeting. Dividends on shares recognised as liabilities are recognised as expenses and classified within interest payable.

#### 1.13 CURRENT AND DEFERRED TAXATION

Tax on the profit or loss for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the profit and loss account except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in equity or other comprehensive income, in which case it is recognised directly in equity or other comprehensive income.

Current tax is the expected tax payable or receivable on the taxable income or loss for the year using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.

Deferred tax is provided on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. The following temporary differences are not provided for: the initial recognition of goodwill; the initial recognition of assets or liabilities that affect neither accounting nor taxable profit other than in a business combination, and differences relating to investments in subsidiaries to the extent that they will probably not reverse in the foreseeable future. The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realisation or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

A deferred tax asset is recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the temporary difference can be utilised or that the Company has determined it is appropriate to recognise the deferred tax asset as it is recoverable due to the fact that the Company is part of a UK group for group relief purposes.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

# 2. JUDGEMENTS IN APPLYING ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

'The company makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are addressed below.

#### Impairment of fixed assets investments

The company makes an estimate of the recoverable value of the fixed assets investments. For description of management's approach see Note 1.7 Valuation of investments.

#### Impairment of debtors

The company makes an estimate of the recoverable value of the debtors. When assessing impairment of debtors, management considers factors including the ageing profile of receivables and historical experience.

#### 3. OPERATING PROFIT/(LOSS)

	2016	2015
	£000	£000
The operating profit/(loss) is stated after (debiting)/crediting:		
Administrative expenses	(7)	(10)
Operating profit/(loss)	(7)	(10)

#### 4. AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

The fees for KPMG LLP (and its associates, if applicable) in respect of the statutory audit for the current year are borne by a fellow Unilever Group company, Unilever U.K. Central Resources Limited.

·	2016	2015
	£	£
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Audit of these financial statements	4,025	2,850

The company has taken advantage of the exemption not to disclose amounts paid for non-audit services as these are disclosed in the group accounts of the parent company.

#### **BROOKE BOND GROUP LIMITED**

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

#### 5. EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

No employees were employed by the Company during 2016 (2015; no employees) and no employee costs were incurred by the Company (2015; £NIL).

#### 6. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

No remuneration (2015: £NIL) was paid by the Company to the Directors, including the Chairman. All Directors are employed by Unilever U.K. Central Resources Limited or Unilever PLC and are remunerated by those companies in respect of their services to the Unilever Group as a whole. None of these costs are charged to the Company.

#### 7. INCOME FROM SHARES IN GROUP UNDERTAKINGS

	2016 £000	2015 £000
Dividends from Hindustan Unilever Limited	20,387	16,470
Total	20,387	16,470
8. INTEREST RECEIVABLE/(PAYABLE) AND SIMILAR INC	COME/(CHARGES)	
	2016	2015

· •	£000	£000
Interest receivable on loans to group undertakings	75	-
Total interest receivable and similar income	75	-
Interest payable on loans from group undertakings	(1,503)_	-
Total interest payable and similar charges	(1,503)	-
Total	(1,428)	

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

#### 9. TAXATION

The taxation (charge)/credit is made up as follows:

Recognised in the profit and loss account	2016 £000	2015 £000
UK corporation tax	. IUUU	1000
Current tax on income for the period	307	(29)
Adjustments in respect of prior periods	296	408
Total current tax	603	379
Tax (charge)/credit on profit/(loss) on ordinary activities	603	379

The current U.K. corporate tax rate that has been used for the period is a rate of 20% (2015: 20.25%). This is on the basis that the rate changed from 21% to 20% as of 1 April 2015.

A further reduction to the main rate was substantively enacted in October 2015 to reduce the rate to 19% from 1 April 2017. An additional reduction to 17% effective from 1 April 2020 was substantively enacted on 6 September 2016, before the balance sheet date, and therefore has been included in these financial statements.

The current tax assessed for the year is lower (2015: lower) than the standard rate of corporation taxation in the UK (20%) (2015: 20.25%). The differences are explained below:

	2016	2015
•	£000	£000
Reconciliation of tax income		
Profit/(loss) for the year	19,000	17,098
Total tax income	603	379
Tax using the UK corporation tax rate of 20% (2015: 20.25%)	(3,800)	(3,462)
Effects of:		
Tax exempt income – dividends	4,077	3,433
Permanent differences – other	30	-
(Under)/over provided in prior years (current tax)	296	408
Total tax income	603	379 .

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

#### 10. INVESTMENTS

Subsidiary - undertakings	Associate undertakings	Listed	Other investments**	Total
£000	£000	£000	£000	£000 .
		•		
490,488	67,752	16,550	3,487,042	4,061,832
. 13	-	-		13
-	-	-		-
490,501	67,752	16,550	3,487,042	4,061,845
(56,121)	-	-	-	(56,121)
(56,121)	-			(56,121)
				. ••
_	_	918,667	· <u>-</u>	918,667
	<u>-</u> : -	123,035	· -	123,035
-	-	1,041,702	-	1,041,702
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434,380	67,752	1,058,252	3,487,042	5,047,426
3,921,409	67,752	935,217	-	4,924,378
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- \* Investments held as available-for-sale are stated at fair value, with any resultant gain or loss being recognised directly in equity (in the fair value reserve).
- \*\* Other investments are investments in holding companies that do not have a quoted price in an active market and whose fair value cannot be reliably measured and are therefore measured at cost.

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#### Subsidiary undertakings and associates

The investments are in subsidiary undertakings and associates of the Company. Their names together with their country of incorporation/registration are listed below. A description of the shares held and the proportion held is also shown below:

Name	Address of the	Class of	-	of nominal	Principal
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	registered office	shares held		hares held	activity
	•		Direct %	Indirect%	
BBG Investments	Unilever House				* <u>·</u>
(France) Ltd	100 Victoria				
•	Embankment	Ordinary	100%		Dormant
	London	Ordinary	. 100%		
	EC4Y ODY				
	United Kingdom			•	
Brooke Bond Assam	Unilever House			<del>,</del>	
Estates Ltd	100 Victoria				
	Embankment	Ordinani	1000/		llaldina
·	London	Ordinary	100%		Holding
•	EC4Y ODY				_
	United Kingdom			•	•
Unilever Australia	Unilever House	-			
Partnership •	100 Victoria		•		
Ltd.	Embankment		1000/		
	London	Ordinary	100%		Holding
	EC4Y ODY				
	United Kingdom				
Unilever Australia	Unilever House	•		•	
Investments Ltd.	100 Victoria				
	Embankment				•
	London	Ordinary	100%		Holding
	EC4Y ODY				
	United Kingdom				•
Unilever Australia Group	Level 17				
Partnership	2-26 Park Street	·			•
r ur tricisinp	Sydney NSW 2000	Ordinary	•	66.66%	Holding
·	Australia				•
Brooke Bond Mombasa	Head Office, Kericho-	•			
Ltd.	Nakuru Road				
Liu.	P.O. Box 20	Ordinary 1		98.54%	Dormant
Mabroukie Tea & Coffee	20200, Kericho, Kenya Head Office, Kericho-				
	Nakuru Road				
Estates		Ordinary		98.54%	Dormant
Ltd.	P.O. Box 20	•			
Mailana Taa Kaasa tti	20200, Kericho, Kenya				
Unilever Tea Kenya Ltd.	Head Office, Kericho-				
Plantations	Nakuru Road		00 5 ***		5.6
	P.O. Box 20	Ordinary	98.54%		Refreshments
	20200, Kericho,		-		
	Kenya	····			

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Name	Address of the registered office	Class of shares held	Proportion of nominal value of shares held		Principal activity
			Direct %-	Indirect%	
Unilever Tea Tanzania Ltd.	P.O. Box 40, Mufindi, Tanzania	Ordinary	100%		Refreshments
The Limuru Tea Company Ltd.	Head Office, Kericho- Nakuru Road P.O. Box 20 20200, Kericho, Kenya	Ordinary		51.25%	Refreshments
Unilever Trumbull Holdings Inc.	700 Sylvan Avenue Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey 07632-3201 United States	Ordinary	23.23%		Holding

#### Listed and other investments

Listed and other investments include investments in companies in which Brooke Bond Group Limited influence is less than significant.

Listed investments represent 106,739,460 shares in Hindustan Unilever Limited, whose shares are listed on the Bombay Stock Exchange (market price per share at 31 December 2016 INR 826.30). For the calculation of the market value, the Unilever closing 31 December 2016 exchange rate of 83.34384 has been used. The market value of the listed investment is £1,058,252,365.

Name	Address of the registered office	Class of shares held	es Proportion of nominal value of shares held		Principal activity
			Direct %	Indirect%	
Hindustan Unilever Limited	Unilever House B. D. Sawant Marg, Chakala Andheri (E) Mumbai 400 099, India	Ordinary	4.93%	,	Home Care
Brooke Bond South India Estates Ltd	Unilever House 100 Victoria Embankment London EC4Y ODY United Kingdom	Ordinary •	0%		Holding
Unilever US Investments Ltd	Unilever House 100 Victoria Embankment London EC4Y ODY United Kingdom	Ordinary	0%		Holding
Unilever Canada Inc.	160 Bloor Street East Suite 1400 Toronto ON M4W 3R2 Canada	Class C	0%		Home & Personal Card
	Toronto ON M4W		070		

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In the opinion of the Directors, the value of the investment in subsidiary undertakings, participating interest, other investments and listed investments, consisting of shares and amounts owing, is not less than the amount at which the investment is stated in the balance sheet.

#### 11. DEBTORS

•	. 2016	2015
	£000	£000
Due after more than one year		
Indebtedness owed by parent company	21,917	21,858
Amounts owed by Group undertakings	2,437	2,422
Prepayments and accrued income	-	4
Total	24,354	24,284
Due within one year		
Group relief receivable	574	414
Prepayments and accrued income	2	-
Total	. 576	418
Total debtors	24,930	24,698

Indebtedness owed by parent company and amounts owed by Group undertakings include balances with Unilever PLC, Brooke Bond Assam Estates Limited and Brooke Bond South India Estates Limited which are interest bearing, unsecured and payable on demand. There is no intention to recall the repayment of this outstanding balance within a year as of 31 December 2016.

#### 12. CREDITORS

•	2016	2015
·	£000	£000
Amounts falling due within one year		
Amounts owed to Group undertakings	(214,519)	(233,887)
Total :	(214,519)	(233,887)
Total creditors	(214,519)	(233,887)

Amounts owed to Group undertakings include balances with Unilever U.K. Central Resources Limited which are interest bearing, unsecured and payable on demand.

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#### 13. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	2016 £000	2015 £000
Allotted, called up and fully paid 346,646,201 (2015: 346,646,201) Ordinary shares of £0.25 each	86,662	86,662
Total	86,662	86,662

#### 14. CONTROLLING PARTY

The ultimate parent company and controlling party is Unilever PLC which is also the immediate parent company and is incorporated in the United Kingdom. The Company has not disclosed transactions with fellow, wholly owned subsidiaries in accordance with the exemption under the terms of International Accounting Standard (IAS) 24 "Related party disclosures" as the ultimate parent company produces publicly available consolidated financial statements. Copies of Unilever Group financial statements can be publicly obtained from Unilever PLC, Investor Relations Department, 100 Victoria Embankment, London EC4Y ODY and www.unilever.com.

#### 15. PARENT COMPANY SUPPORT

Unilever PLC has indicated its willingness to continue to provide support to allow the Company to continue at its current level of operations for the foreseeable future.

#### **16. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

On 2nd January 2017 as part of the restructure of the Australia legal entities, the Company acquired the entire issued share capital of Unilever Australia Group Pty Limited for a total consideration of A\$539,899,937. The Company issued promissory notes to satisfy the consideration payable on the shares.