Annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013

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Strategic report for the year ended 31 December 2013

The Directors present their Strategic Report for the year ended 31 December 2013.

Principal activities

The principal activity of the company during the year was the operation of bus services in the North of England.

Business review

2013 has been another successful year which has seen stability in the network helping to produce further improvements in operational performance. We have continued to invest in new vehicles and the relatively young fleet is helping control engineering costs.

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 local and national competition and factors which would cause a decline in the market. Further discussion of these risks and uncertainties in the context of the group as a whole, is provided in the annual report of the UK intermediate parent company, Arriva plc, which does not form part of this report.

Key performance indicators

The directors of Deutsche Bahn AG manage the group's operations on a divisional basis. For this reason, the company's directors believe that analysis using key performance indicators for the company is not necessary or appropriate for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business of Arriva Yorkshire Limited. The development performance and position of the group, including this company, is discussed in the group's annual report which does not form part of this report.

This report was approved by the board on 27 June 2014 and signed on its behalf.

L Edwards

Company secretary

Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2013

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013.

Results and dividends

The profit for the financial year, after taxation, amounted to £3,499,000 (2012 - £1,793,000).

The company did not pay a dividend during the year (2012: £Nil).

Directors

The directors who served during the year, and up to the date of signing the financial statements, were:

R A Bowler

D Cocker

N P Featham

Financial risk management objectives and policies

Details of financial risk management objectives and policies are shown in the annual report of Arriva plc, which does not form part of this report.

Future developments

2014 will see more new vehicles and the refurbishment of some of the existing fleet. We are now looking at opportunities for revenue growth through good operational performance and improved service delivery. The new vehicles and refurbishments will raise the quality of the service to a very high standard and we are convinced that this will assist in growing patronage.

Employee involvement

The company recognises that its employees are key to its success and is committed to creating a working environment where everyone has the opportunity to learn, develop and contribute to the success of the company, working within a common set of values.

The company continues to aim to be an employer of choice and to employ a diverse workforce with the skills, abilities and attitudes to meet business objectives and needs. The company's aim is to provide appropriate remuneration, benefits and conditions of employment which will serve to attract, retain, motivate and reward such employees.

The company has, subject to the restraints of commercial confidentiality, continued its policy of employee involvement, by making information available to employees on a regular basis regarding recent and probable future developments and business activities.

Disabled employees

The company continues to give full and fair consideration to applications for employment by disabled persons, having regard to their respective aptitudes and abilities. The company's policy includes, where applicable, the continued employment of those who may become disabled during their employment.

Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2013

Directors' responsibilities statement

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

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have prepared the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and 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;
- 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.

Disclosure of information to auditors

Each of the persons who are directors at the time when this Directors' report is approved has confirmed that:

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

Going concern

The directors believe that preparing the accounts on the going concern basis is appropriate due to the continued financial support of the intermediate parent company DB Mobility Logistics AG, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Deutsche Bahn AG.

This report was approved by the board on 27 June 2014 and signed on its behalf.

L Edwards

Company secretary

Independent auditors' report to the members of Arriva Yorkshire Limited

Report on the financial statements

Our opinion

In our opinion the financial statements, defined below:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2013 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
 and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

This opinion is to be read in the context of what we say in the remainder of this report.

What we have audited

The financial statements, which are prepared by Arriva Yorkshire Limited, comprise:

- the balance sheet as at 31 December 2013:
- the profit and loss account for the year then ended; and
- the notes to the financial statements, which include a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In applying the financial reporting framework, the directors have made a number of subjective judgements, for example in respect of significant accounting estimates. In making such estimates, they have made assumptions and considered future events.

What an audit of financial statements involves

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) ("ISAs (UK & Ireland)"). An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of:

- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed;
- the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors; and
- the overall presentation of the financial statements.

In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Report and Financial Statements to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

Independent auditors' report to the members of Arriva Yorkshire Limited

Other matters on which we are required to report by exception Adequacy of accounting records and information and explanations received

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

- · we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- 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.

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

Directors' remuneration

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion, certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit Our responsibilities and those of the directors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 3, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and ISAs (UK & Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

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.

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Michael Jeffrey (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors Newcastle upon Tyne 27 June 2014

Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 2013

	Note	2013 £000	2012 £000
TURNOVER	1,2	51,517	28,056
Cost of sales		(39,371)	(21,971)
GROSS PROFIT	-	12,146	6,085
Administrative expenses		(7,219)	(3,753)
Other operating income	•		62
OPERATING PROFIT	3	4,927	2,394
Interest receivable and similar income	. , 7	. 55	150
Interest payable and similar charges	8	(23)	· <u>-</u> .
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	•	4,959	2,544
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	9	(1,460)	(751)
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	18	3,499	1,793

All amounts relate to continuing operations.

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2013 or 2012 other than those included in the profit and loss account. Therefore, no statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented.

There are no material differences between the profit on ordinary activities before taxation and the retained profit for the financial year stated above and their historical cost equivalents.

The notes on pages 8 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

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Balance sheet as at 31 December 2013

	Note	£000	2013 £000	£000	2012 £000
FIXED ASSETS					
Intangible assets	· 10		841		607
Tangible assets	11	•	29,880		2,095
		- -	30,721	.	2,702
CURRENT ASSETS					•
Stocks	12	368		157	•
Debtors	13	61,495		39,918	
Cash at bank and in hand		215		383	
•		62,078		40,458	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	14	(80,950)		(35,796)	
NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)/ASSETS	• -	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(18,872)		4,662
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABI	LITIES	-	11,849	_	7,364
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year	. 15		(25)		. .
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES		•			
Deferred tax	16		(961)		; -
NET ASSETS			10,863	_	7,364
CAPITAL AND RESERVES		-			
Called up share capital	17		1,311		1,311
Profit and loss account	18		9,552		6,053
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	19		10,863		7,364
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The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on 27 June 2014.

D Cocker Director

The notes on pages 8 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

These financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis, under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies reporting under UK GAAP, and applicable accounting standards in the United Kingdom. The principal accounting policies, which have been applied consistently throughout the year, are set out below.

1.2 Cash flow statement

The company, being a subsidiary undertaking where 90% or more of the voting rights are controlled within the group whose consolidated financial statements are publicly available, is exempt from the requirement to draw up a cash flow statement in accordance with FRS 1.

1.3 Turnover

Turnover consists of the gross revenue for road passenger transport together with the aggregate amounts receivable for other goods and services supplied in the ordinary course of the business, excluding value added tax. Income is accrued where it is earned in an earlier period to that in which it is billed or received in cash. Income is deferred where it is received in an earlier period than that to which it relates.

1.4 Goodwill and intangible assets

For acquisitions after 1 October 1998, goodwill, which represents the excess of cost of acquisitions of businesses over the value attributed to their net assets, is amortised through the profit and loss account by equal annual instalments over its estimated useful economic life up to a maximum of 20 years. Goodwill previously eliminated against reserves has not been reinstated and will only be charged to the profit and loss account on the subsequent disposal of any business to which it related. Goodwill is tested annually for impairment.

Other intangible assets relate to licences for the use of the Arriva brand name and they are being amortised through the profit and loss account over a period of 15 years.

1.5 Tangible assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Cost includes the original purchase price of the asset and the costs attributable to bringing the asset to its working condition for its intended use. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold property

2% straight line

Plant, machinery, fixtures and motor -

10% to 48% straight line

vehicles

Public service vehicles

straight line over periods up to 15 years

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1.6 Leasing and hire purchase

Where assets are financed by leasing agreements ('finance leases') the assets are included in the balance sheet at cost less depreciation in accordance with the company's normal accounting policies. The present value of future rentals is shown as a liability. The interest element of rental obligations is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease in proportion to the balance of capital repayments outstanding. Assets under finance leases are depreciated over their estimated useful life or the term of the lease, whichever is the shorter

Where assets are leased out under a finance lease arrangement any amounts due from the lessee are recorded in the balance sheet as a debtor at the amount of the net investment in the lease. Finance lease income under the finance lease is allocated to accounting periods so as to give a constant periodic rate of return on the net cash investment in the lease each period.

1.7 Operating leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged in the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the lease term.

1.8 Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving stocks. Cost includes all direct costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

1.9 Deferred taxation

Full provision is made for deferred tax assets and liabilities arising from all timing differences between the recognition of gains and losses in the financial statements and recognition in the tax computation.

A net deferred tax asset is recognised only if it can be regarded as more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are calculated at the tax rates expected to be effective at the time the timing differences are expected to reverse.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted.

1.10 Pensions

During the year the company operated a defined contribution pension scheme, which closed in April 2013, and a contract based pension scheme, which opened in May 2013, and which covered employees of the company.

Arriva plc also operates a defined benefit pension scheme. The assets of the defined benefit scheme are held separately from those of the company in independently administered funds. As the company is unable to identify its share of the assets and liabilities of the group scheme, it accounts for contributions as if they were to a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable by the company are charged to the profit and loss account in the period in which they fall due. Contributions payable under the defined contribution scheme are charged to the profit and loss account as they arise.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1.11 Going concern

The directors believe that preparing the accounts on the going concern basis is appropriate due to the continued financial support of the intermediate parent company DB Mobility Logistics AG, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Deutsche Bahn AG.

2. TURNOVER

The whole of the turnover is attributable to the company's principal activity.

All turnover arose within the United Kingdom.

3. OPERATING PROFIT

The operating profit is stated after charging:

·	2013	2012
•	€000	£000
Amortisation - intangible assets	166	100
Depreciation of tangible assets:		
- owned by the company	1,018	363
- held under finance leases	196	353
Operating lease rentals:		
- plant and machinery	3,794	2,069
- land and buildings	33	20
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During the year the company made a loss on disposal of fixed assets of £83,000 (2012: £18,000).

4. AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

	2013 £000	2012 £000
Fees payable to the company's auditor and its associates for the audit of the company's annual accounts	24	24

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013

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STAFF COSTS		
Staff costs, including directors' remuneration, were as follows:		
	2013	2012
,	£000	£000
Wages and salaries	21,671	12,052
Social security costs	1,624	905
Other pension costs (note 20)	1,508	849
	24,803	13,806
The average monthly number of employees, including the directors, d	uring the year was as follows:	
	2013	2012
	No.	No.
Drivers	776	427
Engineering	61	29
Administrative	82	22
	919	478
DIDECTORS' DEMINEDATION	919	
DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION		478
DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION	2013	2012
DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION Aggregate emoluments		478

During the year retirement benefits were accruing to 2 directors (2012 - 4) in respect of defined benefit pension schemes.

The highest paid director received remuneration of £239,000 (2012 - £206,000) of which £28,000 (2012 - £20,000) related to employers contributions to a defined benefit pension scheme.

Benefits are accruing under a defined benefits pension scheme and, at the year end the accrued pension amounted to £63,212 (2012: £59,436).

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013

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7.	INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND SIMILAR INCOME	. •	
		2013	2012
		£000	£000
	Finance lease interest receivable	. -	1
	Bank interest receivable	55	149
			150
	·		
		- 	
8.	INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES		
		. 2013	2012
		. 2013 £000	2012 £000
			2000
	Bank overdraft interest payable	23	
9.	TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES		
	•	2013	2012
		£000	£000
	A1 64 1		2000
	Analysis of tax charge in the year		•
	Current tax (see note below)		
	UK corporation tax charge on profit for the year	465	571
	Adjustments in respect of prior years	(32)	3.
•	Total current tax	433	574
	;		
	Deferred tax		
	Origination and reversal of timing differences	1,092	167
	Adjustments in respect of prior years	(65)	10
	Total deferred tax (note 16)	1,027	177
	Total tax on profit on ordinary activities	1,460	· 751

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013

9. TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES (continued)

Factors affecting tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year is lower than (2012 - lower than) the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 23.25% (2012 - 24.5%). The differences are explained below:

	2013 £000	2012 £000
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	4,959	2,544
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 23.25% (2012 - 24.5%)	1,153	623
Effects of:	•	
Non-tax deductible amortisation of intangible assets	20	25
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	17	81
Capital allowances for year in excess of depreciation	(725)	(9)
Adjustments in respect of prior years	(32)	`3
Short term timing differences	-	(149)
Current tax charge for the year	433	574
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Factors that may affect future tax charges

During 2012 the Chancellor announced that the UK Corporation Tax rate applicable from 1 April 2013 would be 23%, and that the UK Corporation Tax rate applicable from 1 April 2014 would be 21%.

On 20 March 2013 the Chancellor made a further announcement that the UK Corporation Tax rate applicable from 1 April 2015 would be 20%.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013

10.	INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	•			
			Licences £000		Total
	Cost			,	
	At 1 January 2013 Additions		1,300 400		1,559 400
	At 31 December 2013	•	1,700	259	1,959
	Accumulated amortisation			-	
*	At 1 January 2013	•	: 780	172	952
	Charge for the year	•	153	13	166
	At 31 December 2013		933	185	1,118
	Net book value				
	At 31 December 2013	ı	767	74	841
	•			= =	
	At 31 December 2012		520	87	607
	,				*
11.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	•			
			Plant,		
	•	Freehold	machinery, fixtures and	Public service	•
		property	motor vehicles	vehicles	Total
		£000	£000	£000	£000
•	Cost				
	At 1 January 2013	1,416	3,322	4,764	9,502
	Additions		688	28,556	29,244
	Disposals	. · -	(5)	(244)	(249)
-	At 31 December 2013	1,416	4,005	33,076	38,497
	Accumulated depreciation			•	
	At 1 January 2013	699	2,376	4,332	7,407
	Charge for the year	77	316	821	1,214
	Disposals	-	(4)	•	(4)
	At 31 December 2013	776	2,688	5,153	8,617
	Net book value				
	At 31 December 2013	640	1,317	27,923	29,880
					

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013

11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS (continued)

. The net book value of assets held under finance leases or hire purchase contracts, included above, are as follows:

	2013	2012
	€000	£000
Public service vehicles	2,721	275

The depreciation charged to the financial statements in the year in respect of such assets amounted to £196,000 (2012: £353,000).

12. STOCKS

•			2013	2012
			£000	£000
Raw materials and consumables			368	157
•				
		•		•
	•			

13. DEBTORS

	61,495	39,918
Deferred tax asset (see note 16)	-	66
Prepayments and accrued income	256	. 2,200
Other debtors	, 1 3 6	131
Amounts receivable under finance leases	· -	8
Amounts owed by group undertakings	60,851	37,375
Trade debtors	252	138
	£000	£000
	2013	2012

14. CREDITORS:

Amounts falling due within one year

	2013 £000	2012 £000
Net obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	618	
Amounts owed to group undertakings	74,574	30,724
Corporation tax	465	571
Other taxation and social security	537	666
Other creditors	768	694
Accruals and deferred income	3,988	3,141
	80,950	35,796

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013

15.	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year		
	remounts faming due after more than one year		
		2013 £000	2012 £000
	Accruals and deferred income	•	2000
	Accruais and deferred income	25	-
			•
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10.	DEFERRED TAXATION		
		2013	2012
	****	000£	£000
•	At 1 January Profit and loss account movement during the year (note 9)	66 (1,027)	243 - (177)
	From and loss account movement during the year (note 3)	(1,027)	(177)
	At 31 December	(961)	66
•			
	The deferred taxation balance is made up as follows:		
		2013	2012
·		£000	£000
	Excess of depreciation on fixed assets over capital allowances	1,005	40
•	Other short term timing differences	. (44)	26
	•		
		961	66
17.	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL		
•		2013	2012
		£000	£000
	Authorised		
	1,429,678 Ordinary shares of £1 each (2012: 1,429,678)	1,430	1,430
	Allotted and fully paid		
	1,310,753 Ordinary shares of £1 each (2012: 1,310,753)	1,311	1,311
	·		
18.	RESERVES		
			Profit and loss
			account.
=			£000
	At 1 January 2013	•	6,053
	Profit for the financial year		3,499
			0.553
	At 31 December 2013		9,552

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013

19.	RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			
		•	2013 £000	2012 £000
	Opening shareholders' funds		7,364	5,571
	Profit for the financial year		3,499	1,793

20. PENSION COMMITMENTS

Closing shareholders' funds

At 31 December 2013 the UK intermediate parent company, Arriva plc, operated both defined benefit and contract based retirement benefit schemes providing benefits to certain employees within Arriva Yorkshire Limited. The schemes are financed through separate Trustee administered funds managed by independent professional fund managers on behalf of the Trustees.

10,863

7,364

Contributions to the defined benefit scheme, The Arriva Passenger Services Pension Plan, are based upon actuarial advice following the most recent actuarial valuation of the fund. The latest actuarial valuation was performed as at 5th April 2011, using the Projected Unit Method. The principal actuarial assumptions were that:

- (i) the annual rate of return on investment would be 7.0 per cent higher than the annual increase in total pensionable remuneration of nil per cent (frozen for 4 years from 1 December 2009, capped at 1% thereafter); and
- (ii) there would be no variation from the scheme's rules to pensions in payment.

On the basis of these assumptions the actuarial value of the funds at 5th April 2011 was sufficient to cover 94.6 per cent of the benefits then accrued to members. The market value of the Scheme's assets at 5th April 2011 was £369.1 million.

The pensions cost charge for the year represents contributions payable by the company to both schemes and amounted to £1,508,000 (2012: £849,000).

FRS 17 'Retirement benefits'

The company makes contributions to a defined benefit scheme, the Arriva Passenger Services Pension Plan which is operated by the UK intermediate parent company, Arriva plc. Other companies within the Arriva group make contributions to the scheme, therefore it is not possible for the company to identify its share of the underlying assets and liabilities as at 31 December 2013. As the company is unable to identify its share of the assets and liabilities of the group scheme, it accounts for contributions as if they were to a defined contribution pension scheme.

Contributions payable by the company are charged to the profit and loss account in the period in which they fall due.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013

21. OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

At 31 December the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	Land and buildings			Other
•	2013	2012	2013	2012
Expiry date:	£000	£000	£000	. £000
Between 2 and 5 years	33	20	3,746	2,029
After more than 5 years	- .	-	-,-	24

22. ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING AND CONTROLLING PARTY

The ultimate parent company and ultimate controlling party is Deutsche Bahn AG, a company registered in Germany, which has prepared group financial statements incorporating the results of Arriva Yorkshire Limited. Copies of these financial statements can be obtained from Potsdamer Platz 2, 10785 Berlin.

Deutsche Bahn AG is the largest group to consolidate the financial statements of Arriva Yorkshire Limited and DB Mobility Logistics AG is the smallest.

Information on Arriva Yorkshire Limited can be obtained from their registered address Admiral Way, Doxford International Business Park, Sunderland, Tyne and Wear, SR3 3XP.

Transactions with other companies in the Deutsche Bahn Group are not specifically disclosed as the company has taken advantage of the exemption available under FRS 8 'Related party disclosures' for wholly-owned subsidiaries.