# BALLY UK SALES LIMITED ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31 DECEMBER 2017



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#### **COMPANY INFORMATION**

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#### STRATEGIC REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### Introduction

The directors present their strategic report on the company for the year ended 31 December 2017.

The principal activity of the company during the year continued to be that of selling footwear, clothing and accessories.

#### **Business review**

Turnover for the year ended 31 December 2017 amounted to £6,474,000, a decrease of 14.59% when compared to the turnover generated in the 12 month period ended 31 December 2016 of £7,580,000. This decrease is mainly attributable to the closure of three stores, Brompton Road, Hackney and Heathrow Terminal 3 in the year ended 31 December 2016.

The gross margin percentage increased from 56.8% in the year ended 31 December 2016 to 60.4% in the year ended 31 December 2017. In absolute terms, the gross profit for the year ended 31 December 2017 amounted to £3,911,000 compared with £4,304,000 in the prior year.

#### Principal risks and uncertainties

The directors have considered the following risks and uncertainties facing the company:

#### - Competition from existing fashion brands

The directors have taken measures to minimise the company's exposure to this risk and review it on an ongoing basis.

#### - Pension scheme

The pension scheme in which the company participates is currently showing a surplus of £2,060,000.

#### Financial risk management objectives and policies

#### - Liquidity risk

The company has a working capital cycle resulting in peak requirement periods in the year. The company manages its cash requirements to ensure that it has sufficient liquid resources to meet the operating needs of the business.

#### - Credit risk

Sales in the company's retail stores do not give rise to credit risk.

#### - Foreign exchange risk

The company purchases stock in sterling and as such is not exposed to significant foreign exchange risk.

## STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### Financial key performance indicators

Financial key performance indicators of the company are as follows.

- sales by FTE's "Full Time Equivalent",
- items per transaction,
- transaction values, and
- average items per transaction, average value per transaction and conversion rates.

These are monitored by Group headquarters as well as the Board of Directors of the UK Company.

#### Other key performance indicators

The directors are committed to promoting the health, safety and welfare of their staff at the company's premises.

The directors are mindful of the environmental issues and have sought to minimise the impact of the company's activities on the environment.

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

N D Girotto Director

Date: 22/11/2018

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT** FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2017.

#### Results and dividends

The loss for the year, after taxation, amounted to £4,168 thousand (2016 - loss £4,491 thousand).

The directors do not recommend a dividend.

#### **Directors**

The directors who served during the year were:

E Schwendimann (resigned 15 November 2017) F F G M De Narp M Comazzi (resigned 8 May 2017) S Bertinotti N<sup>D</sup> Girotto

#### Matters covered in the strategic report

As permitted by S414c(11) of the Companies Act, the directors have elected to disclose information, required to be in the Directors' Report by Schedule 7 of the 'Large and Medium-sized Companies and Groups (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008', in the strategic report.

#### Disclosure of information to auditor

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

- so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is
- the 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 auditor is aware of that information.

#### Post balance sheet events

In February 2018 JAB Luxury GmbH, an intermediate holding company, entered into an arrangement to sell a majority shareholding in Bally International AG, the intermediate parent company of Bally UK Sales Limited, to the Shandong Ruyi group. At the date of the approval of these financial statements this transaction has not yet been finalised, and as such control has not passed to the Shandong Ruyi Group.

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

N D Girotto
Director
Date: 22 / 22 / 2018

## DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

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 elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law) including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland'. 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 to 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.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF BALLY UK SALES LIMITED

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Bally UK Sales Limited (the 'company') for the year ended 31 December 2017, which comprise the profit and loss account, the statement of comprehensive income, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows, the statement of changes in equity and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2017 and of its loss 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.

#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may
  cast significant doubt about the company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of
  accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are
  authorised for issue.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF BALLY UK SALES LIMITED (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- 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; and
- the strategic report and the directors' report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

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

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the strategic report or the directors' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which 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.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF BALLY UK SALES LIMITED (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement on page 5, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors 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.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

#### Use of our report

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.

Andrew Sanford (senior statutory auditor)

for and on behalf of

**Blick Rothenberg Audit LLP** 

Statutory Auditor

16 Great Queen Street Covent Garden London WC2B 5AH

23 November 2018

#### PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

	Note	2017 £000	2016 £000
Turnover	4	6,474	7,580
Cost of sales		(2,563)	(3,276)
Gross profit	<del>-</del>	3,911	4,304
Administrative expenses		(11,883)	(16,605)
Exceptional administrative expenses	9	(784)	-
Other operating income	5	4,580	7,787
Operating loss	_	(4,176)	(4,514)
Interest receivable and similar income	10	1,330	1,682
Interest payable and similar charges	11	(1,350)	(1,659)
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	<del>-</del>	(4,196)	(4,491)
Taxation on loss on ordinary activities	12	28	
Loss for the financial year	<del>-</del>	(4,168)	(4,491)

#### STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

	2017 £000	2016 £000
Loss for the financial year	(4,168)	(4,491)
Other comprehensive income		
Actuarial gain/(loss) on defined benefit schemes	2,031	(2,717)
Other comprehensive income for the year	2,031	(2,717)
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	(2,137)	(7,208)

#### BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2017

	Note		2017 £000		2016 £000
Fixed assets					•
Tangible assets	13		8,450		9,794
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Current assets		2.1	2,000		
Stocks	14	2,363		2,616	•
Debtors	15	976		1,063	;
Cash at bank and in hand		195		446	
		3,534		4,125	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	16	(31,989)		(27,872)	
Net current liabilities		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	(28,455)		(23,747)
Total assets less current liabilities	•	· -	(20,005)		(13,953)
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	17		-		(465)
Provisions for liabilities	•				
Other provision	19			(24)	
					(24)
Pension asset/liability	22		2,060		(1,366)
Net liabilities		-	(17,945)	<del>-</del>	(15,808)
Capital and reserves	•			<del>-</del>	<del></del>
Called up share capital	20		100		100
Capital redemption reserve	21		31,578	.•	31,578
Profit and loss account	21	_	(49,623)		(47,486)
		-	(17,945)	_	(15,808)

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf by:

N D Girotte Director

Date: 22/11/2018

#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

	Called up share capital £000	Capital redemption reserve £000	Profit and loss account £000	Total equity
At 1 January 2016	100	31,578	(40,121)	(8,443)
Loss for the financial period	-	- -	(4,491)	(4,491)
Actuarial losses on pension scheme		· •	(2,874)	(2,874)
Total comprehensive income for the year	<del>-</del>	-	(7,365)	(7,365)
At 1 January 2017	100	31,578	(47,486)	(15,808)
Loss for the financial year	·		(4,168)	(4,168)
Actuarial gains on pension scheme		-	2,031	2,031
Total comprehensive income for the year	· <u>-</u>		(2,137)	(2,137)
At 31 December 2017	100	31,578	(49,623)	(17,945)

#### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

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		2017 £000	2016 £000
Cash flows from operating activities	•		~000
Loss for the financial year		(4,168)	(4,491)
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation of tangible assets		1,477	1,457
Loss on disposal of tangible assets		808	
Interest paid	•	1,350	1,659
Interest received		(1,330)	(1,682)
Taxation charge		(28)	· -·
Decrease in stocks		253	1,541
Decrease in debtors	• • •	82	250
Increase/(decrease) in creditors		333	(2,230)
Increase in amounts owed to groups		3,337	5,366
(Decrease) in provisions		(24)	(18)
(Decrease) in net pension assets/liabilities		(1,401)	(1,427)
Net cash generated from operating activities		689	425
Cash flows from investing activities			<del>.</del>
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	,	(940)	(412)
Sale of tangible fixed assets		-	79
Net cash from investing activities	•	(940)	(333)
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Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents			92
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	,	446	354
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of year		195	446
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of year comprise:			•
Cash at bank and in hand		195	446
		195	446
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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### 1. General information

Bally UK Sales Limited's principal activities are that of selling footwear, clothing and accessories

The company is a private company limited by shares and is incorporated in England. The address of its registered office and principal place of business is Salisbury House, London Wall, London, EC2M 5PS.

The financial statements are presented in pound sterling (£), rounded to the nearest thousand.

#### 2. Accounting policies

#### 2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention unless otherwise specified within these accounting policies and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland and the Companies Act 2006.

The preparation of financial statements in compliance with FRS 102 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise judgment in applying the company's accounting policies (see note 3).

The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

#### 2.2 Going concern

The company has net liabilities of £17,945,000 including an amount owed to group undertakings of £29,271,000. The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis which the directors believe to be appropriate.

In February 2018 JAB Luxury GmbH, an intermediate holding company, entered into an arrangement to sell a majority shareholding in Bally International AG, the intermediate parent company of Bally UK Sales Limited, to the Shandong Ruyi group. At the date of the approval of these financial statements this transaction has not yet been finalised, and as such control has not passed to the Shandong Ruyi Group.

The directors believe that the new owners of the Bally International AG group will continue to make available such funds as are needed by the company to enable the company to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. As with any company placing reliance on other group entities for financial support, the directors acknowledge that there can be no certainty that the support will continue, although, at the date of approval of these financial statements, they have no reason to believe that it will not do so.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### 2. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 2.3 Revenue

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the company and the revenue can be reliably measured. Revenue is measured as the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, excluding discounts, rebates, value added tax and other sales taxes. The following criteria must also be met before revenue is recognised:

#### Sale of goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when all of the following conditions are satisfied:

- the company has transferred the significant risks and rewards of ownership to the buyer;
- the company retains neither continuing managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership nor effective control over the goods sold;
- the amount of revenue can be measured reliably;
- it is probable that the company will receive the consideration due under the transaction; and
- the costs incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transaction can be measured reliably.

#### Returns

It is the company's policy to sell goods to customers with a right of return. Accumulated experience is used to estimate and provide for returns at the time of sale.

#### 2.4 Other operating income

Other operating income is recognised on an accruals basis in accordance with the substance of the relevant agreements, and recognised when all contractual conditions are met.

Rental income is recognised on an accruals basis in accordance with the terms of the lease agreement.

#### 2.5 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### Accounting policies (continued)

#### 2.5 Tangible fixed assets (continued)

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Leasehold property - over the length of the lease Computer and office equipment - 4 - 10 years straight line Fixtures and fittings - 3 - 10 years straight line

The assets' residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted prospectively if appropriate, or if there is an indication of a significant change since the last reporting date.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised in the within 'other operating income' or 'other operating charges' as appropriate in the profit and loss account.

Assets under construction are not depreciated until they are brought into use.

Artwork is not depreciated and is valued at historical cost.

At each reporting date the company assesses whether there is any indication of impairment. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined which is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. An impairment loss is recognised where the carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount. Any impairment loss is recognised within administrative expenses.

#### 2.6 Operating leases

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

Benefits received and receivable as an incentive to sign an operating lease are recognised on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

#### 2.7 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### 2. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 2.8 Financial instruments

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

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the company after deducting all of its liabilities.

#### Financial assets

Basic financial assets, including trade and other debtors, cash and bank balances and intercompany working capital 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 for a similar debt instrument. Financing transactions are those in which payment is deferred beyond normal business terms or is financed at a rate of interest that is not a market rate.

Such assets are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

#### Financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other creditors, and intercompany working capital balances 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 payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument. Financing transactions are those in which payment is deferred beyond normal business terms or is financed at a rate of interest that is not a market rate.

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

#### Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets measured at cost and amortised cost are assessed at the end of each reporting period for objective evidence of impairment. If objective evidence of impairment is found, an impairment loss is recognised in the profit and loss account.

For financial assets measured at cost less impairment, the impairment loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the best estimate of the amount the company would receive for the asset if it were to be sold at the reporting date.

For financial assets measured at amortised cost, the impairment loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. If the financial asset has a variable interest rate, the discount rate for measuring any impairment loss is the current effective interest rate determined under the contract.

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.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### 2. Accounting policies (continued)

#### Derecognition of financial assets and financial liabilities

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) despite having retained some significant risks and rewards of ownership, 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.

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

#### Offsetting of financial assets and financial liabilities

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the balance sheet when there is an 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.

#### 2.9 Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity.

#### 2.10 Foreign currency translation

#### Functional and presentational currency

The company's functional and presentational currency is Sterling.

#### Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the spot exchange rates at the dates of the transactions.

At each period end foreign currency monetary items are translated into the closing rate. Non-monetary items measured at historical cost are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction and non-monetary items measured at fair value are measured using the exchange rate when fair value was determined.

Foreign exchange gains and losses that relate to borrowings and cash and cash equivalents are presented in the profit and loss account within 'finance income or costs'. All other foreign exchange gains and losses are presented in the profit and loss account within 'operating profit'.

#### 2.11 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.

In the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents are shown net of bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the company's cash management.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### 2. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 2.12 Finance costs

Finance costs are charged to the profit and loss account over the term of the debt using the effective interest method so that the amount charged is at a constant rate on the carrying amount. Issue costs are initially recognised as a reduction in the proceeds of the associated capital instrument.

#### 2.13 Pensions

#### Defined contribution pension plan

The company operates a defined contribution plan for its employees. A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the company pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. Once the contributions have been paid the company has no further payment obligations.

The contributions are recognised as an expense in the profit and loss account when they fall due. Amounts not paid are shown in accruals as a liability in the balance sheet. The assets of the plan are held separately from the company in independently administered funds.

#### Defined benefit pension plan

The company operates a defined benefit plan for certain employees. A defined benefit plan defines the pension benefit that the employee will receive on retirement, usually dependent upon several factors including but not limited to age, length of service and remuneration. A defined benefit plan is a pension plan that is not a defined contribution plan.

The liability recognised in the balance sheet in respect of the defined benefit plan is the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the end of the balance sheet date less the fair value of plan assets at the balance sheet date (if any) out of which the obligations are to be settled.

The defined benefit obligation is calculated using the projected unit credit method. Annually the company engages independent actuaries to calculate the obligation. The present value is determined by discounting the estimated future payments using market yields on high quality corporate bonds that are denominated in sterling and that have terms approximating to the estimated period of the future payments ('discount rate').

The fair value of plan assets is measured in accordance with the FRS 102 fair value hierarchy and in accordance with the company's policy for similarly held assets. This includes the use of appropriate valuation techniques.

Actuarial gains and losses arising from experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions are charged or credited to other comprehensive income. These amounts together with the return on plan assets, less amounts included in net interest, are disclosed as 'Remeasurement of net defined benefit liability'.

The cost of the defined benefit plan, recognised in profit or loss as employee costs, except where included in the cost of an asset, comprises:

- a) the increase in net pension benefit liability arising from employee service during the period; and
- b) the cost of plan introductions, benefit changes, curtailments and settlements.

The net interest cost is calculated by applying the discount rate to the net balance of the defined benefit obligation and the fair value of plan assets. This cost is recognised in profit or loss as a 'finance expense'.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### 2. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 2.14 Interest income

Interest income is recognised in the profit and loss account using the effective interest method.

#### 2.15 Provisions for liabilities

Provisions are made where an event has taken place that gives the company a legal or constructive obligation that probably requires settlement by a transfer of economic benefit, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation:

Provisions are charged as an expense to the profit and loss account in the year that the company becomes aware of the obligation, and are measured at the best estimate at the balance sheet date of the expenditure required to settle the obligation, taking into account relevant risks and uncertainties.

When payments are eventually made, they are charged to the provision carried in the balance sheet.

#### 2.16 Current and deferred taxation

The tax expense for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the profit and loss account, except that a charge attributable to an item of income and expense recognised as other comprehensive income or to an item recognised directly in equity is also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively.

Current tax is the amount of income tax payable in respect of taxable profit for the year or prior years.

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax arises from timing differences that are differences between taxable profits and total comprehensive income as stated in the financial statements. These timing differences arise from the inclusion of income and expense in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in the financial statements.

Deferred tax balances are recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed by the balance sheet date, except that:

- The recognition of deferred tax assets is limited to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits; and
- Any deferred tax balances are reversed if and when all conditions for retaining associated tax allowances have been met.

Deferred tax balances are not recognised in respect of permanent differences except in respect of business combinations, when deferred tax is recognised on the differences between the fair values of assets acquired and the future tax deductions available for them and the differences between the fair values of liabilities acquired and the amount that will be assessed for tax. Deferred tax is determined using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date, and that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

#### 2.17 Exceptional items

Exceptional items are transactions that fall within the ordinary activities of the company but are presented separately due to their size or incidence.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### 3. Judgements in applying accounting policies and key sources of estimation uncertainty

#### Key judgements made by management in applying the entity's accounting policies

#### Impairment of tangible fixed assets

In preparing these financial statements, the directors have exercised judgement in determining whether there are indicators of impairment of the company's tangible assets. Factors taken into consideration in reaching such a decision include the economic viability and expected future financial performance of the asset.

#### Key sources of estimation uncertainty

#### **Retirement benefits**

Accounting for a defined benefit pension scheme and the value of liabilities is dependent on significant assumptions, including an assessment of the discount rate, price inflation and key demographic figures including life expectancy and mortality rates. Details of these assumptions are given in note 21.

As at 31 December 2017, the scheme's assets exceed the liabilities and as such the scheme was in surplus. The directors have considered the requirements of section 28.22 of FRS 102, and believe that the company is able to recover the surplus either through reduced contributions in the future or through refunds from the plan. Accordingly the scheme surplus has been recognised in full.

These accounting judgements are inherently complex and require a high level of management judgement and specialist input by an actuary in the calculation of the value of the liabilities.

#### 4. Turnover

Turnover is attributable to the company's principal activity; the selling of footwear, clothing and accessories.

All turnover arose within the United Kingdom.

#### 5. Other operating income

	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	•	£000	£000
Other operating income			4,409	7,648
Commissions	•		122	108
Net rents receivable	•		35	12
Sundry income			14	19
			4,580	7,787
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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

6.	Operating loss	•	t in the second
	The operating loss is stated after charging:		•
	<b>9</b>	2017 £000	2016 £000
	Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	1,477	1,457
•	Fees payable to the company's auditor and its associates for the audit of	1,411	. 1,407
	the company's annual financial statements	26	.19
	Exchange differences	31	390
•	Operating lease rentals	2,080	2,260
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<b>7</b> .	Employees		
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	Staff costs, including directors' remuneration, were as follows:		•
		2017	2016
		£000	£000
	Wages and salaries	3,869	5,759
	Social security costs	3,503 477	705
	Cost of defined benefit pension scheme	534	494
	Cost of defined contribution pension scheme	135	266
		5,015	7,224
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	The average monthly number of employees, including the directors, during the year	ar was as f	ollows:
		2017	2016
		No.	No
	Selling and distribution	21	29
	Administration	34	66
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		55 	95
8.	Directors' remuneration	•	
		2017	2016
		£000	£000
	Directors' emoluments	100	. 301
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The highest paid director received remuneration of £100 thousand (2016 - £301 thousand).

The value of the company's contributions paid to a defined contribution pension scheme in respect of the highest paid director amounted to  $\pounds NIL$  (2016 - £1,000).

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

9.	Exceptional items	•	
		2017 £000	2016 £000
	Loss on disposal of tangible assets	784	-
•		784	·
10.	Interest receivable		
:		2017 £000	2016 £000
.*	Expected return on pension scheme assets	1,330	1,682
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11.	Interest payable and similar charges		
		2017 £000	2016 £000
	Other interest payable	1	. 1
	Interest on pension scheme liabilities	1,349	1,658
		1,350	1,659

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

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Taxation on loss on o	ordinary activities		· . · . <u> </u>	(28)	<u>-</u>
Group taxation relief			·	(28)	
				2017 £000	2016 £000

#### Factors affecting tax charge for the period

The tax assessed for the year is lower than (2016 - lower than) the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.25% (2016 - 20%). The differences are explained below:

	2017 £000	2016 £000
Loss on ordinary activities before tax	(4,196)	(4,491)
Loss on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.25% (2016 - 20%)	(808)	(898)
Effects of:		,
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	9	18
Capital allowances for year in excess of depreciation	454	179
Pension contributions net of other finance expense	(264)	. (280)
Unrelieved tax losses carried forward	609	981
Group relief	(28)	<b>-</b>
Total tax charge for the year	(28)	-

#### Factors that may affect future tax charges

The company has unutilised tax losses of approximately £33,070,000 (2016: £31,402,000) carried forward. No deferred tax asset has been recognised in these financial statements because of the uncertainty of suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted.

A reduction to the UK corporation tax rate to 17%, effective from 1 April 2020, was substantively enacted as part of the Finance (No. 2) Act 2016 on 6 September 2016. Deferred taxes at the balance sheet date have been measured using the enacted tax rates based on when the timing difference is expected to reverse and reflected in these financial statements.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### 13. Tangible fixed assets

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	Leasehold property and improve- ments £000	Fixtures and fittings £000	Computer equipment	Other fixed assets £000	Total £000
Cost		•			
At 1 January 2017	10,160	4,583	511	15	15,269
Additions	779	162	··	· •	941
Disposals	(1,084)	(365)	(109)	<b>=</b> ·	(1,558)
At 31 December 2017	9,855	4,380	402	15	14,652
Depreciation		• .			
At 1 January 2017	2,485	2,666	324		5,475
Charge for the year	740	686	51	-	1,477
Disposals	(394)	(240)	(116)		(750)
At 31 December 2017	2,831	3,112	259	- -	6,202
Net book value		. <del></del>			
At 31 December 2017	7,024	1,268	143	15	8,450
At 31 December 2016	7,675	1,917	187	15	9,794
Stocks					
				2017 £000	2016 £000
Finished goods and goods	s for resale	•		2,363	2,616
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Stock recognised in cost of sales during the year as an expense was £2,445,000 (2016 - £3,149,000).

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

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15. Debtors		
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	2017 £000	2016 £000
Due after more than one year	2000	2000
Other debtors	58	58
Office debitors		
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	172	162
Amounts owed by group undertakings		5
Other debtors	49	64
Prepayments and accrued income	697	. 774
	976	1,063
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16. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		
	2017	2016
	£000	£000
Trade creditors	1,422	819
Amounts owed to group undertakings	29,271	25,939
Taxation and social security	275	397
Other creditors	866	·
Accruals and deferred income	155	717
	31,989	27,872
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17. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year		•
17. Oreunois. Amounts failing due after more than one year	•	
	2017	2016
	£000	£000
Accruals and deferred income		465

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

	Financial instruments		
٠.		2017 £000	2016 £000
	Financial assets		
	Financial assets that are debt instruments measured at amortised cost	279	289
		279	289
			•
	Financial liabilities	•	
	Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	31,559	26,758
		31,559	26,758
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٠	Financial assets measured at amortised cost include trade debtors, group debt	tors and other	debtors.
	Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost include trade creditors, graceditors.	roup creditors	s, and other
19.	Provisions	•	
		•	
			Dilamidation
		· ·	Dilapidation provision £000
		; ;	provision £000
	At 1 January 2017 Released to profit or loss		provision
			provision £000
	Released to profit or loss		provision £000
	Released to profit or loss		provision £000 24
	Released to profit or loss  At 31 December 2017	old properties	provision £000 24 (24)
	Released to profit or loss  At 31 December 2017  Dilapidation provision  The balance related to dilapidation provisions on the company's leasene expected to become payable at the end of the lease term.	old properties	provision £000 24 (24)
20.	Released to profit or loss  At 31 December 2017  Dilapidation provision  The balance related to dilapidation provisions on the company's leasen	old properties	provision £000 24 (24)
20.	Released to profit or loss  At 31 December 2017  Dilapidation provision  The balance related to dilapidation provisions on the company's leasene expected to become payable at the end of the lease term.	old properties 2017 £000	provision £000 24 (24)
20.	Released to profit or loss  At 31 December 2017  Dilapidation provision  The balance related to dilapidation provisions on the company's leasene expected to become payable at the end of the lease term.	2017	provision £000  24 (24)

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### 21. Reserves

#### Capital redemption reserve

The capital redemption reserve was set aside following a loan waiver that Bally UK Sales Limited had against Bally Group (UK) Limited in the amount of £1,578,000 and against Bally International AG in the amount of £30million.

#### Profit and loss account

The profit and loss account includes all current and prior period retained profits and losses.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### 22. Pension commitments

The company participates in a defined benefit scheme operated by Bally Group (UK) Limited, under which contributions were paid by members and the company into a fund. This fund is separate from the company's finances and is administered by Trustees. This scheme was closed with effect from 1 February 2002.

A full actuarial valuation was carried out on 1 June 2016 by a qualified independent actuary and was updated to 31 December 2017.

The actual amount paid into the scheme in the period was £1,935,000 (December 2016: £1,897,000).

Reconciliation of present value of plan liabilities:

	2017 £000	2016 £000
Reconciliation of present value of plan liabilities		
At the beginning of the year	51,482	43,245
Interest cost	1,349	1,658
Actuarial losses due to financial assumptions changes	.23	8,404
Benefits paid	(1,910)	(1,465)
At the end of the year	50,944	51,842
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Reconciliation of present value of plan assets:		
	2017	2016
	0003	£000
At the beginning of the year	50,476	43,169
Expected return on assets	1,331	1,682
Actuarial gain on plan assets	1,706	5,687
Contributions	1,935	1,897
Benefits paid	(1,910)	(1,465)
Administration expenses	(534)	(494)
At the end of the year	53,004	50,476
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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

22.	Pension commitments (continued)		
	Composition of plan assets:		
		•	
•		2017 £000	2016 £000
	Equities	21,485	20,434
	Bonds	9,847	8,545
٠.	Cash	1,034	360
. •	Annuity policies	20,638	21,137
	Total plan assets	53,004	50,476
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	The amounts recognised in the balance sheet are as follows:		
		2017 £000	2016 £000
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	Fair value of plan assets  Present value of plan liabilities	53,004 (50,944)	50,476 <sub>.</sub> (51,842)
•	Tresent value of plan habilities		
	Net pension scheme asset/(liability)	2,060	(1,366)
	No deferred tax is recognised on the pension liability as it is not regarded as re	ecoverable (see	note 11).
	No deferred tax is recognised on the pension liability as it is not regarded as re The amounts recognised in profit or loss are as follows:	,	
		ecoverable (see	2016 £000
		2017	2016
	The amounts recognised in profit or loss are as follows:	2017 £000	2016 £000
	The amounts recognised in profit or loss are as follows:  Interest on scheme liabilities	2017 £000 (1,349)	2016 £000 (1,658) 1,682
	The amounts recognised in profit or loss are as follows:  Interest on scheme liabilities  Expected return on scheme assets	2017 £000 (1,349) 1,331	2016 £000 (1,658) 1,682 (494)
	The amounts recognised in profit or loss are as follows:  Interest on scheme liabilities Expected return on scheme assets Administrative expenses	2017 £000 (1,349) 1,331 (534)	2016 £000 (1,658) 1,682 (494)
	The amounts recognised in profit or loss are as follows:  Interest on scheme liabilities Expected return on scheme assets Administrative expenses	2017 £000 (1,349) 1,331 (534)	2016 £000 (1,658) 1,682 (494)
	The amounts recognised in profit or loss are as follows:  Interest on scheme liabilities Expected return on scheme assets Administrative expenses  Total	2017 £000 (1,349) 1,331 (534)	2016 £000 (1,658) 1,682 (494)
	The amounts recognised in profit or loss are as follows:  Interest on scheme liabilities Expected return on scheme assets Administrative expenses  Total	2017 £000 (1,349) 1,331 (534) (552)	2016 £000 (1,658) 1,682 (494)
	The amounts recognised in profit or loss are as follows:  Interest on scheme liabilities Expected return on scheme assets Administrative expenses  Total	2017 £000 (1,349) 1,331 (534) (552)	2016 £000 (1,658) 1,682 (494) -(470)
	Interest on scheme liabilities Expected return on scheme assets Administrative expenses  Total  Defined benefit costs recognised in the statement of other comprehensive incomprehensive incom	2017 £000 (1,349) 1,331 (534) (552) ome:	2016 £000 (1,658) 1,682 (494) (470)
	Interest on scheme liabilities Expected return on scheme assets Administrative expenses  Total  Defined benefit costs recognised in the statement of other comprehensive incomprehensive incom	2017 £000 (1,349) 1,331 (534) (552) ome:	2016 £000 (1,658) 1,682 (494) -(470) 2016 £000 5,687
	Interest on scheme liabilities Expected return on scheme assets Administrative expenses  Total  Defined benefit costs recognised in the statement of other comprehensive inc  Actual less expected return on assets Experience (losses)/gains	2017 £000 (1,349) 1,331 (534) (552) ome: 2017 £000 1,706 (192)	2016 £000 (1,658) 1,682 (494) -(470) 
	Interest on scheme liabilities Expected return on scheme assets Administrative expenses  Total  Defined benefit costs recognised in the statement of other comprehensive incomprehensive incom	2017 £000 (1,349) 1,331 (534) (552) ome: 2017 £000 1,706 (192) (606)	2016 £000 (1,658) 1,682 (494) -(470) 2016 £000 5,687 1,366 (10,725)

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### 22. Pension commitments (continued)

The company expects to contribute £1,407,000 to its defined benefit pension scheme in 2018.

Principal actuarial assumptions at the balance sheet date:

	2017	2016
	%	%
Discount rate	2.55	2.65
Future pension increases	3.60	. 3.7
Inflation assumption	2.35	2.5
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The mortality assumptions used the actuarial table SAPS S2.

Defined contribution scheme

There is a defined contribution scheme operated by the company. The assets are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charged of £135,000 (December 2016: £266,000) for this scheme represents the contribution payable by Bally UK Sales Limited for the period.

#### 23. Commitments under operating leases

At 31 December 2017 the company had future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

• •			*	2017	2016
				£000	£000
Not later than 1 year				1,537	1,607
Later than 1 year and	not later than 5 year	ırs		4,947	6,428
Later than 5 years				<b>-</b>	510
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				6,484	8,545

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#### 24. Related party transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemption contained in FRS 102 section 33 from disclosing transactions with entities which are a wholly owned part of the group.

Only the directors are considered to be key management personnel. Total remuneration in respect of the individuals is given in note 8.

#### 25. Post balance sheet events

In February 2018 JAB Luxury GmbH, an intermediate holding company, entered into an arrangement to sell a majority shareholding in Bally International AG, the intermediate parent company of Bally UK Sales Limited, to the Shandong Ruyi group. At the date of the approval of these financial statements this transaction has not yet been finalised, and as such control has not passed to the Shandong Ruyi Group.

#### 26. Ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party

The immediate parent company and controlling party is Bally Group (UK) Limited, a company incorporated in England. Group financial statements are not prepared.

The ultimate parent company is JAB Holding, a company incorporated in the Netherlands. Group financial statements are not prepared.

The largest and smallest group in which the results of the company are consolidated is that headed by Bally International AG, incorporated in Switzerland. The consolidated financial statements of this group are available on written request to Bally International AG, Via Industria 1, 6987 Caslano, Switzerland.

The directors are not aware of any ultimate controlling party.