

Trelleborg Sealing Solutions UK Limited Annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018

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Strategic report

for the year ended 31 December 2018

The directors present their strategic report on the Company for the year ended 31 December 2018.

Principal activities

The principal activity of the Company during the year was the manufacture of high performance fluid seals and precision polymer mouldings for the Automotive, Aerospace and Industrial markets.

Review of the business

Turnover for the year ended 31 December 2018 was £100.4m (2017: £89.8m) and the profit after tax for the financial year was £14.2m (2017: £12.0m). The directors believe that the Company remains in a strong position despite the challenging market conditions, in particular surrounding Brexit. Sales volumes have improved in an uncertain domestic and international market. Turnover has been improved by the translation of sales made in foreign currency into Sterling at a strengthened exchange rate.

Profitability has been impacted by favourable realised currency gains as presented in administrative expenses of £0.1m (2017: losses of £1.8m). The movement in the fair value of derivative financial instruments resulted in a net expense of £0.5m (2017: income of £1.8m). There has been a decrease in gross profit margin from 37% to 34%, due to a change in the product mix. The operating business, once again, made efficiency savings to maintain a strong profit margin. Actions have been taken to strengthen processes, exercise robust cost control and invest in activities that will deliver improved operating returns and working capital control, and have positioned the business to take advantage of growth opportunities as any arise.

Future developments

The Company expects to continue the balanced strategy of seeking sales growth in its core activities whilst enhancing operating margins across its manufacturing business units.

The directors have taken actions to identify and optimise opportunities to increase business and remain confident that the Company will strengthen its position in 2019.

The directors will continue to implement policies to maintain a strong balance sheet to ensure short and long term liquidity.

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 competition from UK and overseas manufacturers, consumer demand, the price and availability of raw materials and the uncertainty surrounding the future business climate as a result of the UK's decision to leave the European Union.

The Company has reviewed the impact of Britain leaving the EU in a No-deal scenario and is putting in place mitigating procedures. The main risk to the company immediately following Brexit is considered to be the disruption to the supply chain and logistics in the short term. This has been mitigated through safety stocks where appropriate and close communication with suppliers and carriers. A leadership group has met regularly to evaluate any changes as they occur and a team has been established that will monitor events in the week of Brexit and will react to any unexpected impacts. The company is exposed to fluctuations in the value of Sterling particularly relative to the Euro. To mitigate that risk it has entered into forward currency exchange contract

Strategic report (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2018

Financial risk management

The Company's operations expose it to a variety of financial risks that include foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk and credit risk.

Foreign exchange risk arises from transactions when goods and services are bought and sold in currencies other than Sterling. Significant transactions in foreign currencies are managed by placing foreign exchange contracts with a fellow group company, Trelleborg Treasury AB. The Company has forward foreign exchange contracts, derivatives, which are valued at fair value and not held for speculative purposes.

All of the Company's funding is provided via a cash pool facility from Trelleborg Treasury AB. Interest rate risk includes exposure to changes in the UK Base Rate as interest rates are variable. The effects of credit risk are controlled as the Company has implemented policies that require appropriate credit checks on potential customers before sales are made. The amount of exposure to any individual counterparty is subject to a limit, which is reassessed by the Board. The Board receives regular reports on amounts due and amounts significantly overdue and the relevant action taken.

As a subsidiary of Trelleborg AB (publ) further details of Group policies in relation to external financial risks can be found in the Annual Report and Financial Statements of Trelleborg AB (publ).

Key performance indicators ("KPIs")

The Company's strategy is one of growth with improved profitability. The directors monitor progress against this strategy by reference to a number of KPIs.

Performance for the year, together with comparative data for the previous year is set out in the table below:

	2018	2017	Definition, method of calculation and analysis
Growth in turnover (%)	11.8%	6.7%	Year on year turnover growth expressed as a percentage. The year on year increase is a result of favourable currency fluctuations and management actions taken to take advantage of growth opportunities in an uncertain domestic and international market.
Return on turnover (%)	17.7%	16.8%	Return on turnover is the ratio of profit before taxation to turnover expressed as a percentage. Return on turnover has improved due to a strong focus on cost control during the year.
Working capital turns	10.7	13.8	Working capital turns is the ratio of turnover to inventory plus trade debtors less trade creditors. The reason for the change is a result of challenges faced in keeping payment terms given to customers down.

Strategic report (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2018

General

Approved by the board of directors and signed on its behalf by:

Robert Broadley

Director

28 March 2019

Directors' report

for the year ended 31 December 2018

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2018.

Future developments

An indication of future developments of the business is included in the Strategic Report on page 1.

Dividends

The directors recommend a payment of a final dividend of £14.0m (£1.393 per ordinary share) subject to shareholder approval at the AGM. A final dividend for 2017 of £10.0m (£0.995 per ordinary share) was approved and paid on 24 May 2018. Further details of the dividends paid are included in note 10 to the financial statements.

Financial risk management

Financial risk management is described in the Strategic Report on pages 1, 2 and 3.

Directors

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

R Broadley

D Brown

D Savary

K Brok

K Bergenholtz

Directors' indemnities

The Company maintained throughout the year, and at the date of approval of the financial statements, liability insurance for its directors and officers. This is a qualifying provision for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006.

Research and development

The Company is currently undertaking research and development into sealing solutions for its customers within the Automotive, Aerospace and Industrial markets. Expenditure of £442,000 was incurred within the year (2017: £340,000) and the expectation is that this will be at a similar level in future years.

Disabled employees

Applications for employment by disabled persons are always fully considered, bearing in mind the respective aptitudes and abilities of the applicant concerned. In the event of members of staff becoming disabled, every effort is made to ensure that their employment with the Company continues and that appropriate training is arranged. It is the policy of the Company that the training, career development and promotion of disabled persons should, as far as possible, be identical with that of other employees.

Employee consultation

The Company maintains a policy of regular consultation and discussion with its employees on a wide range of issues that are likely to affect their interests and ensures that all employees are aware of the financial and economic performance of their business units and of the Company as a whole.

Directors' report (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2018

Going concern

After reviewing the Company's forecasts and projections and the consideration of the availability of the cash pooling as disclosed in note 14, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The Company therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

Directors' statement of responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic report, 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, comprising FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", 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 judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards comprising FRS102 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.

Statement of disclosure of information to the auditor

In the case of each of the persons who are directors at the time when this report is approved under section 418 of the Companies Act 2006 the following applies:

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

Directors' report (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2018

Independent auditor

A resolution to reappoint Deloitte LLP as auditors will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

Approved by the board of directors and signed on its behalf by:

Robert Broadley

Director

28 March 2019

Registered number: 00446036

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Independent auditor's report to the members of Trelleborg Sealing Solutions UK Limited for the year ended 31 December 2018

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Our opinion

In our opinion the financial statements of Trelleborg Sealing Solutions UK Limited (the 'Company'):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 December 2018 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland"; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the financial statements of Trelleborg Sealing Solutions UK Limited (the 'Company') which comprise:

- the statement of income and retained earnings;
- the balance sheet; and
- the related notes 1 to 24.

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).

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 UK, including the Financial Reporting Council's (the FRC'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 are required by ISAs (UK) to report in respect of the following matters where:

- the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in 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.

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

Independent auditor's report to the members of Trelleborg Sealing Solutions UK Limited for the year ended 31 December 2018

Report on the audit of the financial statements (continued)

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 respect of these matters.

Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement, 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 FRC's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Independent auditor's report to the members of Trelleborg Sealing Solutions UK Limited for the year ended 31 December 2018

Report on the audit of the financial statements (continued)

Opinions 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.

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 any material misstatements in the strategic report or the directors' report.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report in respect of the following matters 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.

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Company's members 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, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Andrew Woodhead (Senior Statutory Auditor)

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For and on behalf of Deloitte LLP

Statutory Auditor

Cardiff, United Kingdom

28 March 2019

Trelleborg Sealing Solutions UK Limited Statement of income and retained earnings

for the year ended 31 December 2018

	Note	2018 £000	2017 £000
Turnover	5	100,407	89,827
Cost of sales		(65,789)	(56,424)
Gross profit		34,618	33,403
Distribution costs		(4,284)	(3,917)
Administrative expenses		(15,523)	(21,275)
Other operating income		3,369	4,994
Operating profit before interest and taxation	6	18,180	13,205
Interest receivable and similar income	8	99	1,862
Interest payable and similar expenses	8	(533)	(4)
Net interest (expense)/income		(434)	1,858
Profit before taxation		17,746	15,063
Tax on profit	9	(3,528)	(3,066)
Profit for the financial year attributable to the equity shareholders of the Company		14,218	11,997
Retained earnings at 1 January		24,246	12,249
Dividends paid	10	(10,000)	-
Retained earnings at 31 December		28,464	24,246

There are no recognised gains and losses for the financial years other than those included above. Accordingly, no separate statement of comprehensive income or statement of changes in equity is presented.

The notes on pages 12 to 32 are an integral part of these financial statements.

Balance sheet at 31 December 2018

	Note	2018 £000	2018 £000	2017 £000	2017 £000
Fixed assets					
Intangible assets	11		357		695
Tangible assets	12		13,779		13,770
Investment property	13		1,850		1,850
			15,986		16,315
Current assets					
Stocks	14	4,766		4,175	
Debtors	15	42,118		38,133	
Cash at bank and in hand		-		2	
		46,884		42,310	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	16	(23,775)		(23,964)	
Net current assets			23,109		18,346
Total assets less current liabilities			39,095		34,661
Provisions for liabilities	17		(581)		(365)
Net assets			38,514		34,296
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	20		10,050		10,050
Retained earnings	20		28,464		24,246
Shareholders' funds			38,514		34,296

The notes on pages 11 to 31 are an integral part of these financial statements.

The financial statements on pages 9 to 31 were authorised for issue by the board of directors on 28 March 2019 and were signed on its behalf by:

Robert Broadley

Director

Registered no. 00446036

Trelleborg Sealing Solutions UK Limited Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018

1 General Information

Trelleborg Sealing Solutions UK Limited ("the Company") manufactures and sells high performance fluid seals and precision polymer mouldings for the Automotive, Aerospace and Industrial markets.

The Company is a private company limited by shares and is incorporated in the United Kingdom under the Companies Act 2006 and registered in England and Wales. The address of its registered office is Trelleborg, International Drive, Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire, GL20 8UQ.

2 Statement of compliance

The financial statements of Trelleborg Sealing Solutions UK Limited have been prepared in compliance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102, "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland" ("FRS102") issued by the Financial Reporting Council and the Companies Act 2006.

3 Summary of significant accounting policies

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

Basis of preparation

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

The preparation of financial statements requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Company's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed in note 4.

Going concern

After reviewing the Company's forecasts and projections and the consideration of the availability of the cash pooling as disclosed in note 14, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The Company therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

Exemptions for qualifying entities under FRS102

FRS102 allows a qualifying entity certain disclosure exemptions, subject to certain conditions. The Company has taken advantage of the following exemptions on the basis that the information is included in the consolidated financial statements of the Company's ultimate parent undertaking, Trelleborg AB (publ), a company registered in Sweden in which the Company is consolidated:

- from preparing a statement of cash flows;
- from the financial instrument disclosures, required under FRS102 paragraphs 11.40 to 11.48A;
 and
- from disclosing the Company key management personnel compensation, as required by FRS102 paragraph 33.7.

The consolidated financial statements of Trelleborg AB (publ) can be obtained from the address given in note 24.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2018

3 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Foreign currency

Functional and presentation currency

The Company's functional currency is pound sterling which is presented in the financial statements rounded to thousands.

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 using 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 resulting from the settlement of transactions and from the translation at period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the statement of income and retained earnings.

Foreign exchange gains and losses that relate to borrowings and cash and cash equivalents are presented in the statement of income and retained earnings within net interest expense. All other foreign exchange gains and losses are presented in the statement of income and retained earnings.

Revenue recognition

Revenue comprises the fair value of the consideration received or receivable for goods and services sold, net of discounts, exchange rate differences, where sales are conducted in foreign currencies and value added taxes.

Sale of goods

Revenue is recognised when the Company has despatched goods in accordance with the terms of sale and title of the goods has been transferred to the buyer. .

Employee benefits

The Company provides a range of benefits to employees, including paid holiday arrangements and defined contribution pension plans.

Short term benefits

Short term benefits, including holiday pay and other similar non-monetary benefits, are recognised as an expense in the period in which the service is received.

Defined contribution pension plan

The Company operates a defined contribution pension plan for its employees. The contributions to the plan are recognised as an expense when they are due. Amounts not paid are shown in accruals in the balance sheet. The assets of the plan are held separately from the Company in separately administered funds.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2018

3. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Taxation

Taxation expense for the period comprises current and deferred tax recognised in the reporting period. Tax is recognised in the statement of income and retained earnings, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity. In this case tax is also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively.

Current or deferred taxation assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Current tax

Current tax is the amount of income tax payable in respect of the taxable profit for the year or prior years. Tax is calculated on the basis of tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the period end.

Deferred tax

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 expenses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in financial statements.

Deferred tax is recognised on all timing differences at the reporting date. Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are only recognised when it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities of other future taxable profits.

Deferred tax is measured using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the period end and that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

Goodwill

Goodwill arises on business combinations and represents the excess of the fair value of directly attributable costs of the purchase consideration over the fair values of the identifiable net assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities acquired.

Goodwill is amortised over its expected useful life being 10 years. Goodwill is assessed for impairment when there are indicators of impairment and any impairment is charged to the statement of income and retained earnings within administrative expenses. Reversals of impairment are recognised when the reasons for the impairment no longer apply. Where indicators exist for a decrease in impairment loss, the prior impairment loss is tested to determine reversal. An impairment loss is reversed on an individual impaired assets to the extent that the revised recoverable value does not lead to a revised carrying amount higher than the carrying value had no impairment been recognised.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2018

3. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Intangible assets

Intangible assets are stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses. Amortisation is calculated, using the straight-line method, to allocate the depreciable amount of the assets to their residual values over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

• Software 3 years

Amortisation is charged to administrative expenses in the statement of income and retained earnings.

Research and development costs

Research and development costs are recognised as an expense as incurred.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets, except for investment properties, are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes the original purchase price and costs directly attributable to bring the asset to its working condition for its intended use.

Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate cost to the assets' residual values over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

•	Freehold buildings	2-10%
•	Leasehold property	10-15%
•	Plant and machinery	6-33%
•	Assets in course of construction	Nil

Land is not depreciated.

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted, if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period. The effect of any change is accounted for prospectively.

Assets in the course of construction are stated at cost. These assets are not depreciated until available for use.

Tangible assets are derecognised on disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected. On disposal, the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount is recognised in profit or loss.

Investment properties

Investment properties whose fair value can be measured reliably are stated at fair value. Changes in fair value at each reporting date are recognised in profit or loss.

Leased assets

Operating leases

Leases that do not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as operating leases. Payments under operating leases are charged to the statement of income and retained earnings on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2018

3. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Impairment of assets

Assets, other than those measured as fair value, are assessed for indicators of impairment at each balance sheet date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised in profit and loss as described below.

Non-financial assets

As asset is impaired where there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after initial recognition, the estimated recoverable value of the assets has been reduced. The recoverable amount of an asset is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use.

Where indicators exist for a decrease in impairment loss, the prior impairment loss is tested to determine reversal. An impairment loss is reversed on an individual impaired asset to the extent that the revised recoverable value does not lead to a revised carrying amount higher than the carrying value had no impairment been recognised.

Financial assets

For financial assets carried at amortised cost, the amount of impairment is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate.

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

Where indicators exist for a decrease in impairment loss, and the decrease be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the prior impairment loss is tested to determine reversal. An impairment loss is reversed on an individual impaired financial asset to the extent that the revised recoverable value does not lead to a revised carrying amount higher that the carrying value had no impairment been recognised.

Fair value measurement

The best evidence of fair value is a quoted price of an identical asset in an active market. When quoted prices are unavailable, the price of a recent transaction for an identical asset provide evidence of fair value as long as there has not been a significant change in economic circumstances or significant lapse of time since the transaction took place. If the market is not active and recent transactions of an identical asset on their own are not a good estimate of fair value, the fair value is estimated by using a valuation technique.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2018

3. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to sell, which is equivalent to the net realisable value. Cost is calculated using the first-in-first-out method. For finished products and work in progress, cost consists of raw materials, direct personnel costs, other direct costs and related indirect production costs. Normal capacity utilisation is used in the measurement of stocks. Provision is made for obsolete, slow-moving or defective items where appropriate.

Provisions and contingencies

Provisions are recognised when the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation resulting from past events and it is probable that the Company will be required to settle that obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the balance sheet date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. Where a provision is measured using the cash flows estimated to settle the present obligation, its carrying amount is the present value of those cash flows (when the effect of the time value of money is material). When some or all of the economic benefits required to settle a provision are expected to be recovered from a third party, a receivable is recognised as an asset if it is virtually certain that reimbursement will be received and the amount of the receivable can be measured reliably. No provisions are made for future operating losses.

Financial instruments

The Company has adopted Sections 11 and 12 of FRS102 in respect of financial instruments.

Financial assets

Basic financial assets, including trade and other receivables, cash and bank balances are initially recognised at transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing arrangement, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Such assets are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Financial assets are derecognised when and only when a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or are settled, b) the Company transfers to another party substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset, or c) the Company, despite having retained some, but not all, significant risks and rewards of ownership, has transferred control of the asset to another party.

Financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other payables, and loans from fellow group companies are initially recognised at transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Financial liabilities are derecognised only when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

Derivatives, including forward foreign exchange contracts, are not basic financial instruments. Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at their fair value at each reporting date. Changes in the fair value of derivatives are recognised in profit or loss in finance costs or income as appropriate.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2018

3. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Equity instruments

Equity instruments issued by the Company are recorded at the fair value of cash or other resources received or receivable, net of transaction costs.

Distributions to equity holder

Dividends to the Company's shareholder are recognised as a liability in the financial statements in the period in which the dividends and other distributions are approved by the Company's shareholder. These amounts are recognised in the statement of income and retained earnings.

Related party transactions

The Company discloses transactions with related parties which are not wholly owned with the same group. It has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 paragraph 33.1A and does not disclose transactions with members of the same group that are wholly owned.

4. Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

Company management and the board of directors make critical estimates and assumptions about the future. These estimates and assumptions significantly impact the amounts reported for assets and liabilities as well as revenues and expenses and other disclosures. These estimates are based on historical experience and on various assumptions considered reasonable under the prevailing conditions. The actual outcome may diverge from these estimates if other assumptions are made, or other conditions arise. Estimates and assumptions that may have a significant effect on the Company's earnings and financial position are as follows:

Key sources of estimation uncertainty

No significant estimates have been made in applying the accounting policies which would have a material effect on the financial statements.

Significant accounting judgements in applying the accounting policies

No significant judgements have been made in applying the accounting policies which would have a material effect on the financial statements.

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5 Turnover

Analysis of turnover by geography:

	2018 £000	2017 £000
Europe	46,575	42,404
North America ·	3,802	2,744
China	2,533	1,958
Hong Kong	794	427
India	630	759
Japan	570	550
South Korea	4,889	4,499
Philippines	848	840
South Africa	469	474
Rest of world	729	1,126
Total exports	61,839	55,781
United Kingdom	38,568	34,046
	100,407	89,827

All turnover (2017: all turnover) is generated from the sale of goods.

Intra-group sales of £53,830,000 (2017: £47,566,000) relate to transactions with related parties within the Trelleborg AB (publ) group.

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6 Operating profit

Operating profit is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2018 £000	2017 £000
Loss on disposal of tangible assets	-	35
Reversal of impairment of trade receivables	• -	(47)
Management recharges	(3,169)	(4,897)
Depreciation	2,299	2,124
Amortisation	343	353
Stocks recognised as an expense	24,860	19,076
(Reversal of impairment)/impairment of stock included in cost of sales	(44)	340
Operating lease charges	1,197	1,432
Foreign exchange (gains)/losses	(135)	1,806
Research and development expenditure	442	340
Audit fees payable to the Company's auditor – auditing of the financial statements	96	71

Management recharges represent the reimbursement of the Company for costs it incurs on behalf of other Trelleborg AB (publ) group companies.

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7 Employees and employee benefits

(a) Employees

	2018 £000	2017 £000
Wages and salaries	26,305	24,327
Social security costs	2,193	1,965
Other pension costs	1,102	1,017
Staff costs	29,600	27,309
The average monthly number of persons (including executive directo during the year was:	rs) employed by the	e Company
By activity	2018 No.	2017 N o.
Manufacturing	529	486
Sales	71	68
Technical	53	46
Finance, administration and management	79	71
	732	671
(b) Directors The directors' emoluments were as follows:		I
	2018 £000	2017 £000
Aggregate emoluments	903	732
Company contributions to money purchase pension schemes	39	37

Post-employment benefits are accruing to 2 directors (2017: 2) under money purchase pension schemes.

No director exercised any share options during the year, nor were any shares received or receivable by the directors in respect of qualifying services under a long term incentive scheme.

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7 Employees and employee benefits (continued)

The highest paid director's emoluments were as follows:

	2018 £000	2017 £000
Emoluments	503	443
Contributions to money purchase pension schemes	-	
	503	443
Net interest (expense)/income		
Interest receivable and similar income	2018 £000	2017 £000
Interest receivable from group undertakings	99	28
Gains on derivative financial instruments (note 19)	-	1,834
Total interest receivable and similar income	99	1,862
Interest payable and similar expenses	2018 £000	2017 £000
Interest payable to group undertakings	(4)	(4
Losses on derivative financial instruments (note 19)	(529)	-
Total interest payable and similar expenses	(533)	(4
Net interest (expense)/income	(434)	1,858

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9 Tax on profit

(a) Tax expense included in profit or loss

	2018 £000	2017 £000
Current tax:		
UK Corporation tax on profits for the year	3,427	3,003
Adjustments in respect of prior periods	8	25
Total current tax	3,435	3,028
Deferred tax (note 18):		
Origination and reversal of timing differences	46	10
Adjustment in respect of prior periods	41	18
Impact of change in tax rate	6	10
Total deferred tax charge .	93	38
Tax on profit	3,528	3,066

(b) Reconciliation of tax charge

Tax assessed for the year is higher (2017: higher) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK for the year ended 31 December 2018 of 19% (2017: 19.25%). The differences are explained below:

	2018 £000	2017 £000
Profit before tax	17,746	15,063
Profit multiplied by the standard rate of tax in the UK of 19% (2017: 19.25%)	3,372	2,900
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	101	113
Adjustments to tax charge in respect of prior periods	49	43
Re-measurement of deferred tax – change in UK tax rate	6	10
Tax charge for the year	3,528	3,066

Notes to the financial statements (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2018

9 Tax on profit (continued)

(c) Tax rate changes

The tax rate for the current year is lower than the prior year due to changes in the UK Corporation tax rate which decreased from 20% to 19% from 1 April 2017.

Changes to the UK corporation tax rates were substantively enacted as part of Finance Bill 2016 (on 7 September 2016). These include reductions to the main rate to reduce the rate to 17% from 1 April 2020. Deferred taxes at the balance sheet date have been measured using these enacted tax rates and reflected in these financial statements.

10 Dividends

	2018 £000	2017 £000
Dividends paid or accrued in the year	10,000	-

The directors recommend a payment of a final dividend of £14,000,000 (£1.393 per ordinary share) subject to shareholder approval at the AGM. A final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2017 was proposed and paid from reserves on 24 May 2018 in the sum of £10,000,000 (£0.995 per share). The dividend was not accounted for within the 2017 current year financial statements but was approved through a written resolution in 2018.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2018

11 Intangible assets

Goodwill £000	Software £000	Total £000
34,105	641	34,746
-	2	2
-	3	3
34,105	646	34,751
(33,443)	(608)	(34,051)
(328)	(15)	(343)
(33,771)	(623)	(34,394)
334	23	357
662	33	695
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Amortisation of intangible assets is recognised within administrative expenses in the Statement of income and retained earnings.

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12 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings £000	Short leasehold land and buildings £000	Plant and machinery £000	Assets in course of construction £000	Total £000
Cost	<u></u>				
At 1 January 2018	3,216	2,570	25,308	1,943	33,037
Additions	-	-	159	2,196	2,355
Transfers to intangible/tangible assets	-	426	1,884	(2,313)	(3)
Disposals	-	(150)	(188)	-	(338)
At 31 December 2018	3,216	2,846	27,163	1,826	35,051
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	-				
At 1 January 2018	(1,314)	(1,748)	(16,205)	-	(19,267)
Depreciation	(42)	(124)	(2,133)	-	(2,299)
Disposals	-	150	144	-	294
At 31 December 2018	(1,356)	(1,722)	(18,194)	_	(21,272)
Net book amount at 31 December 2018	1,860	1,124	8,969	1,826	13,779
Net book amount at 31 December 2017	1,902	822	9,103	1,943	13,770

Fixed assets are included at full historical cost to the Company.

Included in freehold land and buildings is freehold land of £332,000 (2017: £332,000) which is not depreciated.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2018

13 Investment property

	2018 £000	2017 £000
Value		
At 1 January	1,850	1,850
At 31 December	1,850	1,850

The freehold investment property was valued on 12 September 2016 by Brackenridge Hanson Tate (FRICS), an independent valuer with a recognised and relevant professional qualification and with recent experience in the location and category of the investment property being valued. The valuation was performed on the basis of open market value in accordance with the Appraisal and Valuation Manual of the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors.

The property is currently being marketed for sale. Unconditional offers were received within 2017, ranging from £1.5m to £2.1m. Management therefore believe the 2016 valuation remains a reasonable assessment of the fair value of the property at 31 December 2018.

The assumptions made relating to the valuation are as set out below:

- the property is held on an unencumbered freehold basis;
- no harmful or hazardous material has been used in the construction; and,
- the premises comply with statutory regulations and requirements.

The historical cost of investment properties held at fair value is £600,000 (2017: £600,000).

Lessor

The Company leases its investment property to a fellow subsidiary of the Trelleborg AB (publ) group. There is no formal lease in place between the two companies. As such, there is no minimum lease term. The Company receives a rental income of £19,000 (2017: £19,000) per year.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2018

14 Stocks

	2018 £000	2017 £000
Raw materials	3,201	2,755
Work in progress	805	681
Finished goods and goods for resale	760	739
	4,766	4,175

There was no significant difference between the replacement cost of inventories and their carrying amounts.

Inventories are stated after provisions for impairment of £857,000 (2017: £901,000) in relation to slow moving or obsolete items.

15 Debtors

	2018 £000	2017 £000
Trade debtors	10,226	8,237
Amounts owed by group undertakings	30,853	28,910
Deferred tax asset (note 18)	320	413
Prepayments and accrued income	719	573
	42,118	38,133

The Company operates its bank accounts within a group cash pool facility operated by a fellow subsidiary, which are repayable on demand. These balances attract interest based on UK base rate and are included within amounts owed by group undertakings falling due within one year.

Amounts owed by group undertakings also includes unsecured trade balances of £5,164,000 (2017: £4,131,000).

Trade debtors are stated after provisions for impairment of £nil (2017: £nil).

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16 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2018 £000	2017 £000
Trade creditors	5,625	5,910
Amounts owed to group undertakings	3,243	3,192
Corporation tax	5,033	5,715
Group relief payable	1,406	198
Other taxation and social security	866	736
Derivative financial instruments (note 19)	691	162
Accruals and deferred income	6,911	8,051
	23,775	23,964

The amounts owed to group undertakings attract interest based on the UK Base rate. Amounts owed to group undertakings also includes trade balances. These balances are repayable on demand. No security has been given in relation to any creditors.

17 Provisions for liabilities

	Dilapidation £000
At 1 January 2018	365
Additions	216
At 31 December 2018	581

A provision of £171,000 (2017: £165,000) has been recognised for the estimated cost of dismantling and removing various assets related to a leased property and restoring the site to the condition required in accordance with the lease terms. The provision has been estimated using existing experience, current prices, and discounted using a discount rate of 10%. The provision is expected to be utilised in 2022.

A provision of £410,000 (2017: £200,000) has been recognised for anticipated dilapidation costs at two further sites on cessation of their lease. The provision is expected to be utilised between 2021 and 2026.

The impact of discounting of any of these provisions is not considered material.

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18 Deferred tax

Deferred tax consists of the following deferred tax assets:

	2018 £000	2017 £000
Accelerated capital allowances	(63)	(79)
Derivative financial assets	131	31
Other timing differences	252	461
Total deferred tax asset	320	413

The net deferred tax asset expected to reverse in 2019 is £290,000. This is primarily due to the reversal of timing differences on tangible fixed assets and derivative financial instruments. The timing differences have no expiry dates.

The Company has £64,000 of unused capital losses to be carried forward which have no expiry date. An asset has not been recognised in respect of these losses due to uncertainty over recoverability.

19 Derivative financial instruments

The Company has forward foreign exchange contracts included at fair value in the financial statements as follows:

	2018 £000	2017 £000
At 1 January	(162)	(1,996)
Changes in value dealt with in the statement of income and retained earnings	(529)	1,834
At 31 December	(691)	(162)

At 31 December 2018 the Company had commitments to sell £1,941,000 (2017: £4,463,000) and buy £18,076,000 (2017: £37,037,000) under forward foreign exchange contracts.

The forward foreign currency contracts are measured at fair value which is determined using valuation techniques that utilise the observable inputs: contractual rates for GBP:USD and GBP:EUR; spot exchange rates at each year end; and, the value of currency to be swapped. All outstanding contracts mature within 12 months of the year end.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2018

20 Called up share capital and reserves

(a) Called up share capital

	No.	£000
Allotted and fully paid ordinary shares of £1 each		
At 1 January 2018 and at 31 December 2018	10,050,000	10,050

There is a single class of ordinary shares, which carry no right to fixed income. There are no restrictions on the distribution of dividends and the repayment of capital.

There were no changes to share capital during the year.

(b) Reserves

Retained earnings – This represents cumulative profits or losses net of dividends paid and other adjustments.

21 Contingent liabilities

The Company has contingent liabilities, in respect of bank and other guarantees arising in the ordinary course of business, from which it is anticipated that no material liabilities will arise. The maximum amount guaranteed at 31 December 2018 was £70,000 (2017: £70,000).

22 Capital and other commitments

At 31 December 2018 and 2017 the Company had the following capital commitments:

Contracts for future capital expenditure not provided in the financial statements:

	2018 £000	2017 £000
Contracts for future capital expenditure not provided in the financial statements – property, plant and equipment	510	272

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22 Capital and other commitments (continued)

The Company had the following future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases for each of the following periods:

	2018 £000	2017 £000
Payments due:		
Not later than one year	1,096	1,149
Later than one year and not later than five years	3,117	3,461
Later than five years	5,795	6,393
	10,008	11,003

23 Related party transactions

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption contained within FRS102 and not disclosed transactions or balances with companies that are fellow wholly owned subsidiaries of Trelleborg AB (publ).

24 Controlling parties

The immediate parent undertaking is Trelleborg Holdings UK Limited.

The ultimate parent undertaking, controlling party and smallest and largest group to consolidate these financial statements is Trelleborg AB (publ), a company incorporated in Sweden. The registered office of Trelleborg AB (publ) is PO Box 153, S-231 22, Trelleborg, Sweden and copies of the consolidated financial statements can be obtained from this address.