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### Home Retail Group Holdings (Overseas) Limited Annual Report and Financial Statements

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# Home Retail Group Holdings (Overseas) Limited Strategic report for the 52 weeks ended 5 March 2022

#### Principal activities, business review and future developments

The principal activity of Home Retail Group Holdings (Overseas) Limited (the "Company") is that of a holding company. It is envisaged that this will remain the activity of the Company for the foreseeable future. The results and dividends are discussed on page 2.

#### Company performance and position

Home Retail Group Holdings (Overseas) Limited is a non-trading company, however during the year it received a dividend from an associate company and paid a dividend to its parent, amounting to £8,541,817 (2021: £11,226,000). There was no impairment charge in the year (2021:£2,675,000), resulting in an overall profit of £8,541,817. At the year-end, the Company had net assets of £15,155,000 (2021: £15,155,000).

#### Section 172 statement and stakeholder engagement

The Board believes that it has acted in accordance with Section 172(1) of the Companies Act 2006 during the year ended 5 March 2022. This requires each Director to act in the way he or she considers, in good faith, would be most likely to promote the success of the Company for the benefit of its members as a whole and, in doing so, have regard to the interest of other stakeholders, whilst maintaining high standards of business conduct.

The Company is a subsidiary of J Sainsbury plc and its stakeholder engagement is integrated within the governance framework of J Sainsbury plc and its subsidiaries (the 'Group'). During the year, the Directors continued to focus on engagement with the Company's stakeholders, most notably the Group. The Directors primarily used finance meetings to consider and engage with the Group. These interactions informed key decisions that the Directors made during the year, such as approving the Company's financial statements.

Further details on how the Group engaged with its stakeholders, can be found in the 2022 Annual Report for J Sainsbury plc on pages 24-29.

#### Principal risks and uncertainties

The management of 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 be the ability of its debtor to repay its loan. Further details of these risks and uncertainties in the context of the J Sainsbury plc group (the "Group"), which includes the Company, as a whole is provided on pages 38 to 52 of the Group's 2022 annual report which does not form part of this report.

#### Financial risk management

The Group operates a centralised treasury function which is responsible for managing the market risk (foreign exchange and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risks associated with the Group's activities. These activities include those of the Company. The Group operates a structured risk management process which identifies, evaluates and prioritises risks and uncertainties.

The Group's treasury function seeks to reduce exposures to foreign exchange, interest rate and other financial risks, and to ensure sufficient liquidity is available to meet foreseeable needs and to invest cash assets safely and profitably. Policies and procedures are subject to review and approval by the Group's Board of Directors as well as subject to internal audit review.

#### Market risk

The Company has no exposure to interest rate fluctuations as all amounts receivable and payable to Group companies are non-interest bearing.

#### Credit risk

The Company monitors its group receivable balances on an ongoing basis with any provision for impairments made as required. The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the fair value of each class of receivable. The Company does not hold any collateral as security.

The Company's treasury transactions are managed centrally by the Group treasury function. The Group's exposure to credit risk with regard to treasury transactions is managed by dealing only with major banks and financial institutions. Dealing activity is closely controlled and counterparty positions are monitored on a regular basis.

#### Liquidity risk

The Company's liquidity risk is managed centrally by the Group treasury function.

#### Home Retail Group Holdings (Overseas) Limited Strategic report (continued) for the 52 weeks ended 5 March 2022

#### Key performance indicators (KPIs)

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

By the order of the Board

Irina Beech (Dec 2, 2022 10:23 GMT)

I Beech Director 2 December 2022

# Home Retail Group Holdings (Overseas) Limited Directors' report for the 52 weeks ended 5 March 2022

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements of the Company for the 52 weeks ended 5 March 2022 (the year) (Prior year: 52 weeks to 6 March 2021).

#### Registered number

The registered number of the Company is 872776.

#### Results and dividends

The Company did not make a trading profit, but received £8,541,817 dividend income from its investment (2021: £11,226,000). There was no impairment charge in the year (2021:£2,675,000), resulting in an overall profit of £8,541,817. The directors do not recommend the payment of a final dividend (2021: £nil), however total interim dividends of £8,541,8170 (2021: £11,226,000) were paid in February 2022. The future developments of the business, principal risks and uncertainties and financial risk management are discussed within the Strategic report on page 1.

#### Going concern

The Directors have, at the time of approving the financial statements, a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. They continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

The assessment period for the purposes of considering going concern is the 12 months from the date on which these financial statements are signed.

#### **Directors**

The directors that held office during the year and up to the date of approval of the financial statements were as follows:

Sainsburys Corporate Director Limited I Beech

#### Secretary

The Company secretaries that held office during the year and up to the date of approval of the financial statements were as follows:

J Foo (resigned May 2021) Sainsbury's Corporate Secretary Limited (appointed May 2021)

#### Director's liability insurance and third-party indemnification provisions

The Directors are indemnified to the extent permitted by the Articles of Association of the Company in respect of all losses arising out of or in connection with the execution of their powers, duties and responsibilities. The ultimate parent company purchased and maintained Directors' and Officers' liability insurance throughout 2021/22, which was renewed for 2022/23. The insurance covers all Directors and Officers of companies in the Group. Neither the indemnities nor insurance provide cover in the event that the Director or Officer is proved to have acted fraudulently.

#### Disclosure of information to auditors

Each of the Directors confirms that, so far as they are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the auditors are unaware. Each Director has taken all 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 auditors are aware of that information.

#### Independent Auditors

Ernst & Young LLP, have indicated their willingness to continue in office.

By order of the Board

Irina Beech (Dec 2, 2022 10:23 GMT)

I Beech

Director

2 December 2022

# Home Retail Group Holdings (Overseas) Limited Statement of Directors' responsibilities for the 52 weeks ended 5 March 2022

The directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report and 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 applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework (FRS 101).

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, including FRS 101 have been followed, subject to any
  material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- notify its shareholders in writing about the use of disclosure exemptions, if any, of FRS 101 used in the preparation of 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 to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

By order of the Board

I Beech

Director

2 December 2022

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF HOME RETAIL GROUP HOLDINGS (OVERSEAS) LIMITED

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Home Retail Group Holdings (Overseas) Limited for the 52 week period ended 5 March 2022 which comprise the Profit and loss account, the Statement of comprehensive income, the Balance sheet, the Statement of changes in equity and the related notes 1 to 11, 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 FRS 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the company's affairs as at 5 March 2022 and of its profit for the period 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 below. 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 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

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

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

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report. However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this statement is not a guarantee as to the company's ability to continue as a going concern.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in this report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF HOME RETAIL GROUP HOLDINGS (OVERSEAS) LIMITED (CONTINUED)

course of 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 this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of the other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### 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 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 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.

#### Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the Statement of directors' responsibilities on page 4, 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.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF HOME RETAIL GROUP HOLDINGS (OVERSEAS) LIMITED (CONTINUED)

Explanation as to what extent the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect irregularities, including fraud. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both those charged with governance of the entity and management.

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the company and determined that the most significant are those that relate to the reporting frameworks (FRS 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework" and the Companies Act 2006) and the relevant tax compliance regulations in UK.
- We understood how Home Retail Group Holdings (Overseas) Limited is complying with those
  frameworks by making enquiries of management, internal audit and those responsible for legal
  and compliance procedures. We comborated our enquiries through our review of board minutes,
  internal audit reports and through consideration of results of our audit procedures.
- We assessed the susceptibility of the company's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur by considering the programmes and controls that the company has established to address risks identified, or that otherwise prevent, deter and detect fraud: and how senior management monitors those programmes and controls.
- Based on this understanding we designed our audit procedures to identify noncompliance with such laws and regulations. Our procedures involved enquiries of those responsible for legal and compliance procedures, internal audit and management. In addition, we completed procedures to conclude on the compliance of the disclosures in the annual report and financial statements with all applicable reporting requirements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at https://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.

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Colin Brown (Senior statutory auditor) for and on behalf of Ernst & Young LLP, Statutory Auditor London
2 December 2022

#### Home Retail Group Holdings (Overseas) Limited Profit and loss account For the 52 weeks ended 5 March 2022

|   | Notes | 52 weeks ended<br>5 March<br>2022 | 52 weeks ended<br>6 March<br>2021 |
|---|-------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|   |       | £'000                             | £'000                             |
| Impairment charge                             | ·     | -                                 | (2,675)                           |
| Operating Loss                                |       | -                                 | (2,675)                           |
| Income from shares in group undertakings      |       | 8,542                             | 11,226                            |
| Profit on ordinary activities before taxation |       | 8,542                             | 8,551                             |
| Tax on profit on ordinary activities          | 6     | -                                 | -                                 |
| Profit for the financial year                 |       | 8,542                             | 8,551                             |

# Statement of comprehensive income For the 52 weeks ended 5 March 2022

|   | 52 weeks ended<br>5 March<br>2022<br>£'000 | 52 weeks ended<br>6 March<br>2021<br>£'000 |
|---|--|--|
| Profit for the financial year   | 8,542                                      | 8,551                                      |
| Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to owners of the Company | 8,542                                      | 8,551                                      |

#### Home Retail Group Holdings (Overseas) Limited Balance sheet As at 5 March 2022

|   | Notes | 2022   | 2021   |
|---|-------|--------|--------|
|   |       | £.000  | £'000  |
| ASSETS  |       |        |        |
| Fixed assets                                  |       |        |        |
| Investments                                   | . 7   | 4,839  | 4,839  |
| Total fixed assets                            |       | 4,839  | 4,839  |
| Current assets                                |       |        |        |
| Debtors - amounts falling due within one year | 8     | 10,316 | 10,316 |
| Total current assets                          |       | 10,316 | 10,316 |
| Total assets                                  |       | 15,155 | 15,155 |
| Net assets                                    |       | 15,155 | 15,155 |
| Capital and reserves                          |       |        |        |
| Called up share capital                       | 9     | 1      | 1      |
| Share premium account                         |       | 4,612  | 4,612  |
| Capital redemption reserve                    |       | 1      | 1      |
| Profit and loss account                       |       | 10,541 | 10,541 |
| Total shareholders' funds                     |       | 15,155 | 15,155 |

The financial statements on pages 8 to 14 were approved by the Board of Directors and were signed on their behalf by:

I Beech Director

2 December 2022

Registered number 872776

#### Home Retail Group Holdings (Overseas) Limited Statement of changes in equity For the 52 weeks ended 5 March 2022

|   | Attributable to owners of the Company  |                             |                                  |                               |  |
|---|--|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
|   | Called up<br>share<br>capital<br>£'000 | Share premium account £'000 | Capital redemption reserve £'000 | Profit and loss account £'000 | Total<br>shareholders'<br>funds<br>£'000 |
| Balance at 6 March 2021                 | 1                                      | 4,612                       | 1                                | 10,541                        | 15,155                                   |
| Total comprehensive income for the year | •                                      | •                           | -                                | 8,542                         | 8,542                                    |
| Transactions with Owners:               |  |                             |                                  |                               |  |
| Equity dividends paid during the year   | -                                      | -                           |                                  | (8,542)                       | (8,542)                                  |
| Total transactions with owners          |  | -                           |                                  | (8,542)                       | (8,542)                                  |
| Balance at 5 March 2022                 | 1                                      | 4,612                       | 1                                | 10,541                        | 15,155                                   |
|   |  |                             | e to owners of t                 |                               | •  |
|   | Called up<br>share<br>capital          | Share premium account       | Capital redemption reserve       | Profit and loss account       | Total<br>shareholders'<br>funds          |
|   | £'000                                  | £'000                       | £'000                            | £'000                         | £,000                                    |
| Balance at 7 March 2020                 | 1                                      | 4,612                       | 1                                | 13,216                        | 17,830                                   |
| Total comprehensive income for the year | -                                      | _                           | -                                | 8,551                         | 8,551                                    |
| Transactions with Owners:               |  |                             |                                  |                               |  |
| Equity dividends paid during the year   | -                                      | -                           | •                                | (11,226)                      | (11,226)                                 |
| Total transactions with owners          | -                                      | -                           | -                                | (11,226)                      | (11,226)                                 |
|   |  |                             |                                  |                               |  |

# Home Retail Group Holdings (Overseas) Limited Notes to the financial statements For the 52 weeks ended 5 March 2022

#### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Home Retail Group Holdings (Overseas) Limited (the Company) is a private limited company incorporated and domiciled in the United Kingdom under the Companies Act 2006. The Company's registered address is 33 Holborn, London, EC1N 2HT.

The financial year represents the 52 weeks to 5 March 2022 (prior financial year 52 weeks to 6 March 2021).

#### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements are presented in sterling, rounded to the nearest thousand. They are prepared on a going concern basis and under the historic cost convention. The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out in note 3. Unless otherwise stated, these policies have been consistently applied to all the periods presented.

#### Statement of compliance

The Company's financial statements are prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework (FRS 101) and the Companies Act 2006. FRS 101 sets out a reduced disclosure framework for a 'qualifying entity' as defined in the Standard, which addresses the financial reporting requirements and disclosure exemptions in the individual financial statements of qualifying entities that otherwise apply the recognition measurement and disclosure requirements of adopted International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

The Company is a qualifying entity for the purposes of FRS 101. The results of the Company are consolidated into the Annual Report and Financial Statements 2022 of J Sainsbury plc, available on the Group's website: www.j-sainsbury.co.uk.

The key disclosure exemptions adopted by the Company in accordance with FRS 101 are as follows:

- The requirements of IAS 7 to present a cash flow statement.
- The requirements of paragraph 17 of IAS 24, Related Party Transactions, to disclose information related to key
  management personnel, and the requirements of IAS 24 to disclose related party transactions between two or more
  members of a group for wholly owned subsidiaries.
- The requirements of paragraphs 30 and 31 of IAS 8 to disclose information assessing the possible impact of new standards issued but which are not yet effective.
- The requirements of IFRS 7 and IFRS 13 for disclosure of financial instruments and fair values.
- The requirements to present roll-forward reconciliations in respect of share capital (IAS 1), property, plant and equipment (IAS 16), intangible assets (IAS 38).

#### Going concern

The Directors have, at the time of approving the financial statements, a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

The assessment period for the purposes of considering going concern is the 12 months from the date on which these financial statements are signed.

#### Accounting estimates and assumptions

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with FRS 101 requires the use of estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Although these estimates are based on management's best knowledge of the amount, event or actions, actual results ultimately may differ from those estimates.

#### Home Retail Group Holdings (Overseas) Limited Notes to the financial statements For the 52 weeks ended 5 March 2022 (continued)

#### 3. SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Investments

Investments are included in the balance sheet at cost. Where appropriate, a provision is made for any impairment in their value.

#### Impairment of assets

Assets are subject to impairment reviews whenever changes in events or circumstances indicate that an impairment may have occurred. Assets are written down to the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value-in-use. Value-in-use is calculated by discounting the expected cash flows from the asset at an appropriate discount rate for the risks associated with that asset. This includes estimates of both the expected cash flows and an appropriate discount rate which use management's assumptions and estimates of the future performance of the asset. Differences between expectations and the actual cash flows will result in differences in the level of impairment required.

A previously recognised impairment loss is reversed if there has been a significant change in the underlying assumptions used to determine the recoverable amount, however not to an amount higher than the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of amortisation or depreciation, if no impairment loss had been recognised in prior years.

#### **Current tax**

Current tax is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from profit before tax as reported in the profit and loss account because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes items that are never taxable or deductible.

#### Financial instruments

The only financial instruments of the Company relate to loans and receivables.

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They arise when the Company provides money, goods or services directly to a debtor with no intention of trading the debtor. Loans and receivables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost, less provision for impairment. They are included in current assets. Loans and receivables comprise group debtors.

#### **Dividend income**

Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive payment is established.

#### 4. NET OPERATING EXPENSES

Costs of £3,000 (2021: £3,000) for the annual audit of the financial statements of the Company are borne by Argos Limited, and no recharge is made to the Company.

#### 5. DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS AND EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

The Company had no employees in either years other than the Company directors.

No director received emoluments in respect of their services to the Company during the year (2021: £nil).

#### Home Retail Group Holdings (Overseas) Limited Notes to the financial statements For the 52 weeks ended 5 March 2022 (continued)

#### 6. TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

|   | 52 weeks<br>ended<br>5 March<br>2022 | 52 weeks<br>ended<br>6 March<br>2021 |
|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
|   | £.000                                | £'000                                |
| Analysis of charge in the year              |                                      |                                      |
| Current tax:                                |                                      |                                      |
| UK corporation tax                          | -                                    | -                                    |
| Over provision in prior year                | -                                    | -                                    |
| Total tax credit in profit and loss account | •                                    | -                                    |

#### Factors affecting the tax charge

The effective tax rate for the year of nil% (2021: nil%), is lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.0% (2021: 19.0%). The differences are explained below:

|  | 52 weeks<br>ended 5 March<br>2022<br>£'000 | 52 weeks<br>ended 6 March<br>2021<br>£'000 |
|--|--|--|
| Profit before tax on ordinary activities                                       | 8,542                                      | 8,551                                      |
| Profit before tax multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK | (1,623)                                    | (1,625)                                    |
| Effects of:  |  |  |
| Transfer pricing adjustments   | (29)                                       | (33)                                       |
| Income not taxable   | 1,623                                      | 2,133                                      |
| Items not deductible for taxation purposes                                     | -  | (508)                                      |
| Loss relief claimed for nil consideration                                      | 29   | 33   |
| Total tax credit   | -  | -  |

It was announced in the UK Government's Budget on 3 March 2021 that the main UK corporation tax rate will increase to 25% from 1 April 2023. This change was enacted during the accounting period.

As a result, existing temporary differences on which deferred tax has been provided have been revalued, where appropriate, to reflect the fact they will now unwind at 25% rather than 19%. The impact of this is £nil.

#### 7. INVESTMENTS

|                                  | Subsidiaries/Associates |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                  | £'000                   |
| Cost                             |                         |
| At 5 March 2022 and 6 March 2021 | 7,514                   |
| Impairment at 5 March 2022       | (2,675)                 |
| Net book value at 5 March 2022   | 4,839                   |
| Net book value at 6 March 2021   | 4,839                   |

The Company holds 37.5% of the issued ordinary shares of Sainsbury's Argos Asia Limited, a holding company, which is incorporated in Hong Kong.

An impairment charge of £nil (2021: £2.7 m) has been recognised in the year in respect of the investment in Sainsbury's Argos Asia Limited. In the opinion of the directors the value of the investment is not less than the amount at which the investment is stated in the balance sheet.

#### Home Retail Group Holdings (Overseas) Limited Notes to the financial statements For the 52 weeks ended 5 March 2022 (continued)

#### 8. DEBTORS - AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

|  | 2022<br>£'000 | 2021<br>£'000 |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Amounts falling due within one year:     |               |               |
| Amounts owed by immediate parent company | 10,315        | 10,315        |
| Corporation tax                          | 1             | 1             |
|  | 10,316        | 10,316        |

The amounts owed by the immediate parent company are unsecured, repayable on demand and non-interest bearing. No balances owed by the immediate parent company are past due or impaired.

#### 9. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

|   | 2022<br>£ | 2021<br>£ |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Authorised, allotted, called-up and fully paid: |           |           |
| 500 (2021: 500) ordinary shares at £1 each      | 500       | 500_      |

#### 10. ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKINGS

The Company's ultimate parent and controlling party is J Sainsbury plc (a company registered in England and Wales). The largest and smallest group of undertakings for which group financial statements have been prepared was that of J Sainsbury plc which are publicly available from its official website: http://www.j-sainsbury.co.uk/investors; or by writing to its registered office: 33 Holborn, London, EC1N 2HT.

#### 11. SUBSIDIARIES AND RELATED UNDERTAKINGS

| Undertaking  | Address of the undertaking | Direct/indirect holding | Percentage of<br>ordinary shares held |
|--|----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Sainsbury's Argos Asia Limited (Hong Kong) Limited             | A                          | Direct                  | 37.5                                  |
| Sainsbury's Argos Asia Technical Limited                       | В                          | Indirect                | 37.5                                  |
| Sainsbury's Argos Asia<br>Commercial Limited                   | В                          | Indirect                | 37.5                                  |
| Sainsbury's Argos Asia Sourcing Limited                        | A                          | Indirect                | 37.5                                  |
| Sainsbury's Argos Commercial<br>Consultancy (Shanghai) Limited | В                          | Indirect                | 37.5                                  |

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