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WD-40 COMPANY LIMITED

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022



COMPANY INFORMATION

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STRATEGIC REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

The Directors submit their strategic report for WD-40 Company Limited (the "Company") for the year ended 31 August 2022.

Position of the business

The Company at 31 August 2022 has total equity of £43.6m (2021: £30.2m), of which £36.8m (2021: £23.4m) is represented by retained earnings.

Business review

This year sales increased by 2.0% (2021: 23.7%) to £156.4m (2021: £153.3m) and profits before taxation decreased 20.4% on last year to £23.0m (2021: £28.9m). This reduction in sales was driven predominantly by the suspension of trade with the Russian and Belarussian markets. Gross margin percentage was 43.5% (2021: 49.5%) the reduction in margin being driven by cost of sales having suffered from significant product cost increases. Sales, margins and profits (translated into sterling) were impacted by adverse currency movements on the Euro and U.S Dollar. Distribution costs and administrative expenses decreased by 4.4% (2021: increased 15.9%) but remained broadly the same percentage of total sales at 28.5% (2021: 30.4%).

The Company sells and markets its four core brands, which are; WD-40, 3-in-One, 1001 and GT85 (SG85). The WD-40 brand includes the 'WD-40 Specialist' products, aimed at specialist lubricant markets and the 'WD-40 Bike' products for the bicycle maintenance market.

WD-40 brand sales increased by 3.6% in the year (2021: 25.6%), 3-in-One sales decreased by 6.1% (2021: increase 20.8%), 1001 brand sales decreased by 14.0% (2021: 5.0%) and sales of the GT85 brand decreased by 18.2% (2021: increased 50.8%).

In the year, the Company capitalised £7.9m of assets from Assets under Construction relating to machinery that was installed in a key supplier in the Netherlands. A balance of £5.5m remains in Assets under Construction which will be put into service in the future.

Future Outlook

The Company is planning future sales and earnings growth for the coming year and beyond.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The Company's principal risks and uncertainties are managed and mitigated as required. The Board and Management meet regularly to discuss known risks and uncertainties in the business, and to identify and mitigate new risks and uncertainties as they arise. Processes and controls are in place within the business to help identify and mitigate risks and uncertainties.

The key risks include:

Regulatory

The Company is subject to many environmental and packaging regulations. Changes in these may impact costs and/or revenues. The Company ensures it is aware of all future regulatory changes with applicable regulatory authorities.

Protection of intellectual property

The Company, through its ultimate parent relies on trademarks, trade secrets, patent and copyright laws to protect its intellectual property. Infringements may impact costs and revenue streams. Protection of intellectual property is headed by the ultimate parent company.

Political and economic

The Company sells either directly or indirectly into many countries and therefore within those markets is exposed

STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

to the risk of political and economic uncertainties. Areas such as Russia, the Middle East and Eastern Europe may be considered as high risk areas. This risk is managed and mitigated by operating across many markets.

The Company is exposed to fluctuations in the general economic environment, mainly cost inflation of goods and services including energy and material costs.

Supply chain

The Company relies on third parties for the supply of its raw materials, packing, warehousing and distribution and finished goods. While the Company works closely with its various suppliers, changes to their cost base or unexpected operational factors may disrupt supply, with a consequential impact on revenue and costs. This risk is mitigated by operating with a number of suppliers.

Marketing distributor relationships

The Company uses third party distributors to market, sell and distribute a large proportion of its products in countries where is does not have a direct market. The Company relies on local expertise and knowledge of its marketing distributors. From time to time the Company has experienced changes with respect to its relationships with distributors which may disrupt local market activity and revenues. The Company conducts regular meetings with all of its marketing distributors to manage this risk.

Competition

The Company competes in many channels with varying degrees of competition with many other products for store placement and shelf space. This may impact revenue streams or the cost base to defend a position. The Company actively understands its current competitor activities.

Product liability and other litigation risks

The use of the Company's products may expose the Company to liability claims resulting from such use. While insurances are in place to provide appropriate protection, risk may arise where the loss exceeds insured levels or risks are not covered by insurance. Annual insurance renewals are conducted with our Company brokers to ensure appropriate insurances are in place with appropriate levels of cover.

Financial risk management

The Company's operations expose it to a variety of financial risks that are highlighted below. The Company has in place a risk management programme that seeks to limit the adverse effects on the financial performance of the Company by monitoring its credit and liquidity exposures.

Given the size of the Company, the Directors have not delegated the responsibility of monitoring financial risk management to a sub-committee of the Board. The policies set up by the Board of Directors are implemented by the Company's finance department. The department has a policy and procedures manual that sets out specific guidelines to manage credit risk and circumstances where it would be appropriate to use financial instruments to manage these.

Oil prices

Oil prices can significantly impact raw material and component costs. Prices are monitored regularly.

Currency

The Company sells in Euros, US Dollars, Danish Krone and Pound Sterling, and whilst hedging strategies, in the form of forward contracts are in place to mitigate currency fluctuations, long term shifts in foreign exchange rate can impact revenue and costs when translated back on reporting into Pound Sterling.

Customer risk

The Company sells into a wide range of channels and customers which mitigate this risk. Particularly in the retail customer base where such customers purchase large volumes, a customer decision to delist a product may significantly impact revenues. Additionally, where the Company provides credit terms, while there are robust procedures in place to ensure debt is recoverable, a customer's inability to pay may impact cash flows and costs.

The Company obtains credit insurance to cover certain export customer debts where deemed appropriate.

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War in Ukraine

On 24th February 2022, Russian forces launched significant military action against Ukraine, which has resulted in conflict and disruption in the region. In response to this action taken by Russia, the United Kingdom. and other countries imposed various economic sanctions against Russia. In the event these geopolitical tensions fail to improve or deteriorate further, additional governmental sanctions may be enacted. The direct and indirect impacts of this evolving situation and its effect on global economies in future periods are difficult to predict.

The Company has suspended selling its products to markets in Russia and Belarus beginning in March 2022, which has had and will continue to have an unfavourable impact on sales in future periods. The Company does not have significant operations in these affected regions other than the distribution and sale of its products, which occurs through marketing distributors.

As a result of this conflict, commodity markets remain subject to heightened levels of uncertainty, especially as they relate to the price of crude oil, which increased significantly in the immediate aftermath of the sanctions against Russia. Increases in crude oil prices unfavourably impact the cost of the Company's products and associated transportation costs. The length and severity of the recent increases in the price of crude oil are highly unpredictable and may unfavourably impact the cost of goods sold for as long as these conditions exist.

Other

It is not felt that the Company suffers from significant liquidity or credit risk given its large positive cash balance held in low risk financial institutions and the stable customer base it trades with. The Company generates strong positive cash flows and manages its working capital by optimising stock holdings with regular forecasting. In the year, supply chain lead times have increased significantly reflecting the Company's increased stockholding. Trade debtors are regularly collected and supplier terms are managed to best suit the cash flow of the business. This allows the Company to meet its operational needs and ensures growth. The Company regularly reviews the security of the financial institutions it holds cash and deposits with.

Financial key performance indicators ("KPIs")

Given the straightforward nature of the business, the Company's Directors are of the opinion that for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business, the analysis as detailed in the Strategic Report is sufficient, and further use of KPIs is unnecessary. The business success and development hinges around sales growth and the management of gross margins, selling and distribution costs which have already been highlighted and discussed in the Strategic Report.

Section 172 statement

A Director of a company must act in the way he 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 likely consequences of any decision in the long term,
- The interests of the company's employees,
- The need to foster the company's business relationships with suppliers, customers and others,
- The impact of the company's operations on the community and the environment,
- The desirability of the company maintaining a reputation for high standards of business conduct, and
- The need to act fairly between members of the company.

In the year, the Board has taken decisions in the long-term interest of the Company, including the suspension of sales to Russia and Belarussia and implementing a selling price increase across all markets. Strategic initiatives are agreed at the group level and are embedded in the activity of the Company's operations. Annually, a strategic five year plan is reviewed and updated to hone the vision of long-term success of the company. We exist to create positive lasting memories in everything we do. We solve problems. We make things work smoothly. We create opportunities. Our mission is to deliver unique, high-value solutions for a wide variety of maintenance needs in workshops, factories and homes. Our brand delivers the trust and performance needed to instill confidence and empower people to get out there and Live Life Hands On.

STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

The Board engages an impartial third party to conduct an Employee Engagement survey on a biannual basis. This survey was conducted in 2022, and high levels of employee satisfaction within the Company were noted. The monitoring of employee engagement is taken very seriously, with a strong focus on maintaining the high levels of employee satisfaction with the Company, their role and values at the core of the business. All results of the survey are discussed internally, and action plans formulated to address the feedback. The management team meet regularly to ensure the values of fairness and diversity are being addressed through the business.

The Board recognises that its key suppliers are an extension of the Company's supply chain. In the year, members of key management made visits to a number of key suppliers as the Company understands that upholding these strong relationships is integral to the ongoing success of the company. The Board seeks to keep positive enduring relationships with both customers and marketing distributors, to ensure the Company stays connected through to its end users. The Company achieves this through extensive market research on an annual basis.

The Board has focused on doing what's right in how it creates and produces products for its end users since the Company's inception. Beyond regulatory compliance in every applicable jurisdiction, the Company is focused in its efforts to provide safe, environmentally friendly, and effective products across EIMEA. In addition, the Company takes its commitment to supporting and being a part of the wider community seriously through engagement in charitable initiatives led by through third parties with several teams participating hands-on activities in the year.

The Board is committed to high standards of business conduct. It recognises that the key asset of the Company are its employees, and seeks to attract, develop, and maintain talent in the 'tribe'. The Company strives for its name and brands to become known as emblems of quality, performance and value.

The Board acts fairly in its relations between WD-40 Company Limited, and its ultimate controlling party, WD-40 Company. There is an effective and robust relationship between the companies, uniting in strategic direction, leadership and key decision-making.

Directors' statement of compliance with duty to promote the success of the Company

The directors of WD40 Company Limited consider that they have fulfilled their individual and collective duty under section 172(1) of the Companies Act 2006 to act in the way they consider, in good faith, would be most likely to promote the success of the company for the benefit of shareholders as a whole.

This report was approved by the board on 14 DECEMBER 2022 and signed on its behalf.

W Noble Director

DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

The Directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2022.

Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the financial statements

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

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have prepared the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, 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 the financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102, have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Directors are also responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006.

Principal activities

WD-40 Company Limited is involved in the selling, marketing and distribution of its branded products in over 60 countries extending across Europe, Africa, India and the Middle East. As well as the UK branch, there are six overseas branches in operation; these are located in Germany, France, Spain, Portugal, The Netherlands and Italy.

Results and dividends

The profit for the year, after taxation, amounted to £18,607,000 (2021: £23,226,000).

A dividend of £5,200,000 (2021: £14,500,000) was paid to the Company's immediate parent company in respect of the financial year. The Directors do not propose a final dividend in respect of the year ended 31 August 2022 (2021: £nil). Results this year were in line with expectation.

Branches outside the UK

WD-40 Company Limited operates branches outside of the UK in France, Germany, Portugal, Spain, Italy and the Netherlands.

DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

Research and development

The Company has invested in research and development programmes to support and expand its range of products. The Company's research and development expenditure for the year ended 31 August 2022 amounted to £75,000 (2021: £28,000). Recognised within Assets under Construction is £5.4m of additions relating to fixed assets in conjunction with development of a new delivery system (2021: £3.4m).

Directors

The directors who served during the year were:

W Noble G O Ridge (resigned 25 July 2022) S A Brass (appointed 25 July 2022)

Engagement with suppliers, customers and others

The Company's key stakeholders are its employees, customers, consumers, suppliers, shareholders, and the local communities in which it operates. The views of and the impact of the Company's activities on those stakeholders are an important consideration for Directors when making relevant decisions.

Directors' indemnities

As permitted by the Articles of Association, the Directors have the benefit of an indemnity which is a qualifying third party indemnity provision as defined by section 234 of the Companies Act 2006. The indemnity was in force throughout the last financial year and is currently in force. The Company also purchased and maintained throughout the financial year Directors' and Officers' liability insurance in respect of itself and its Directors.

Energy and carbon reporting

The Company's greenhouse gas emissions and energy consumption for the year are

	2022	2021
UK energy use (kWh)	1,279,070	1,275,606
Associated Greenhouse gas emissions		
(Tonnes CO2 equivalent)	. 263	269
Intensity ratio	0.08	0.08

The above information has been compiled in line with the March 2019 BEIS 'Environmental Reporting Guidelines: Including streamlined energy and carbon reporting guidance', and the EMA methodology for SECR Reporting. All measured emissions from activities of WD-40 Company Limited as required under The Companies (Directors' Report) and Limited Liability Partnerships (Energy and Carbon Report) Regulations 2018 have been included.

The carbon figures have been calculated using the BEIS 2022 carbon conversion factors for all fuels, other than the market based electricity which has been taken from E.ON as the UK suppliers. The intensity ratio is calculated as tCO2e/Sq Metre floor area.

Energy efficiency actions taken

- New burners were installed in Kiln Farm's natural gas boilers. The replacement should improve the
 efficiency of the boilers for the next few years.
- Ongoing monitoring of pumps and motors for production premises to ensure optimum energy efficiency.
- Replacing florescent lighting for new more energy efficient lighting in Kiln Farm premises.

DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

Matters covered in the strategic report

Principal risks and uncertainties, and the future developments of the Company are disclosed in the Strategic Report.

Directors' confirmations

In the case of each director at the time when this Directors' Report is approved has confirmed that:

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

Going Concern

The directors of the Company have performed an assessment of the overall position and future forecasts for the purposes of going concern in light of the current environment covering the period from the present through to 31 December 2023. The Directors of the Company have considered the future position based on current trading and a severe but plausible downturn scenario which may occur, through general economic uncertainty and other risks. This assessment has considered likely trading patterns of the Company and the ability to generate cash from future sales to remain cash generative.

This assessment has also considered the external liability on the Company's balance sheet which relates to a line of credit agreement executed at a group level, in the United States, against which the Company has drawn down funds. The company has the contractual right to roll forward the loan until repayment is due in 2025, outside of the going concern period of assessment, unless loan covenants are breached in the meantime. The Directors have modelled a number of scenarios over the going concern period of assessment including a severe but plausible scenario. None of these scenarios forecast results which would lead to a covenant breach, and therefore it is assumed the loan will remain in place throughout the going concern period of review.

In view of all of the above, the directors have concluded that it remains appropriate to continue to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis of preparation.

Matters discussed in the S172 statement

The directors' commitment to employee, and other stakeholder engagement is discussed in the S172 statement included in the Directors' Report.

War in Ukraine

An assessment of the impact of the War in Ukraine on the Company and its operations is disclosed in the Strategic Report.

DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

Independent Auditors

The auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 489 of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the board on 14 December 2022 and signed on its behalf.

W Noble Director



Independent auditors' report to the members of WD-40 Company Limited

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

In our opinion, WD-40 Company Limited's financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 August 2022 and of its profit for the year then
 ended:
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", and applicable law); and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the financial statements, included within the Annual Report and Financial statements (the "Annual Report"), which comprise: the Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2022; the Statement of Comprehensive Income and Statement of Changes in Equity for the year then ended; and the notes to the financial statements, which include a description of the significant accounting policies.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ("ISAs (UK)") and applicable law. Our responsibilities under ISAs (UK) are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence

We remained independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, which includes the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

Conclusions relating to going concern

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 are authorised for issue.

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.

However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this conclusion is not a guarantee as to the company's ability to continue as a going concern.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Reporting on other information

The other information comprises all of the information in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in this report, any form of assurance 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 an apparent material inconsistency or material misstatement, we are required to perform procedures to conclude whether there is a material misstatement of 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 based on these responsibilities.

With respect to the Strategic report and Directors' Report, we also considered whether the disclosures required by the UK Companies Act 2006 have been included.

Based on our work undertaken in the course of the audit, the Companies Act 2006 requires us also to report certain opinions and matters as described below.

Strategic report and Directors' Report

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, the information given in the Strategic report and Directors' Report for the year ended 31 August 2022 is consistent with the financial statements and has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

In light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we did not identify any material misstatements in the Strategic report and Directors' Report.

Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit

Responsibilities of the directors for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the financial statements, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable framework and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. The directors are also responsible for such internal control as they 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 figuidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditors' 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 auditors' 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.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

Based on our understanding of the company and industry, we identified that the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations related to health and safety, employment law and quality management standards, and we considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the financial statements. We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the financial statements such as Companies Act 2006 and UK tax legislation. We evaluated management's incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls), and determined that the principal risks were related to posting of unusual journal entries or manipulating accounting estimates which could be subject to management bias. Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- . Enquiring of management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- · Testing a sample of journals based on risk based criteria including unexpected credits to revenue;
- · Testing accounting estimates for management bias; and
- Assessing significant judgements and estimates in particular those relating to impairment of tangible assets, allowance
 for doubtful debts and net realisable value of inventory and the disclosures included on these balances within the financial
 statements

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above. We are less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations that are not closely related to events and transactions reflected in the financial statements. Also, 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.

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 auditors' report.

Use of this report

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

Other required reporting

Companies Act 2006 exception reporting

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

- · we have not obtained all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns.

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

Daniel Brew (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors

Milton Keynes

14 December 2022

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

	Nata	2022	2021
	Note	£000	£000
Turnover	4	156,367	153,269
Cost of sales		(88,391)	(77,421)
GROSS PROFIT	-	67,976	75,848
Distribution costs	•	(4,950)	(4,478)
Administrative expenses		(39,578)	(42,115)
OPERATING PROFIT	5	23,448	29,255
Interest received	9	-	3
Interest paid	10	(442)	(353)
PROFIT BEFORE TAX	_	23,006	28,905
Tax on profit	. 11	(4,399)	(5,679)
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	_	18,607	23,226

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2022 or 2021 other than those included in the statement of comprehensive income.

The notes on pages 16 to 42 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 AUGUST 2022

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	Note		2022 £000		2021 £000
Fixed assets	,	•	2000		2000
Intangible assets	13		1,230		1,282
Tangible assets	14		24,239		21,892
		_	25,469		23,174
Current assets			•		
Stocks	15	23,080		15,464	
Debtors	16 ·	43,108		38,205	
Cash at bank and in hand	17	20,141		22,167	
•	_	86,329	_	75,836	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	18	(34,365)		(34,979)	
Net current assets	·		51,964		40,857
Total assets less current liabilities			77,433		64,031
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	19		(33,820)		(33,820)
Provisions for liabilities	23	(25)		(30)	
	-		(25)		(30)
Net assets		_	43,588	<u> </u>	30,181
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	24		250		250
Share premium account	25	•	6,500		6,500
Profit and loss account	25		36,838		23,431
Total Equity			43,588	_	30,181

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

14/12/22

W Noble Director

The notes on pages 16 to 42 form part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

	Called up share capital £000	Share premium account £000	Profit and loss account £000	Total equity £000
At 1 September 2020	250	6,500	14,705	21,455
Comprehensive income for the year Profit for the financial year	-	-	23,226	23,226
Dividends: Equity capital (Note 12)	-	•	(14,500)	(14,500)
At 31 August 2021 and 1 September 2021	250	6,500	23,431	30,181
Comprehensive income for the year Profit for the financial year	-	-	18,607	18,607
Dividends: Equity capital (Note 12)	-	-	(5,200)	(5,200)
At 31 August 2022	250	6,500	36,838	43,588

The notes on pages 16 to 42 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

1. General information

WD-40 Company Limited (the "Company") is a private company limited by shares and is incorporated in the United Kingdom. The address of the Company's registered office is Brick Close, Kiln Farm, Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire, MK11 3LJ.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

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

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

The 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, unless otherwise stated.

2.2 Financial reporting standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemptions

The company has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemptions in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by the FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland":

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows;
- the requirements of Section 3 Financial Statement Presentation paragraph 3.17(d);
- the requirements of Section 11 Financial Instruments paragraphs 11.42, 11.44 to 11.45, 11.47, 11.48(a)(iii), 11.48(a)(iv), 11.48(b) and 11.48(c);
- the requirements of Section 12 Other Financial Instruments paragraphs 12.26 to 12.27, 12.29(a), 12.29(b) and 12.29A;
- the requirements of Section 26 Share-based Payment paragraphs 26.18(b), 26.19 to 26.21 and 26.23;
- the requirements of Section 33 Related Party Disclosures paragraph 33.7.

This information is included in the consolidated financial statements of WD-40 Company as at 31 August 2022 and these financial statements may be obtained from WD-40 Company, 9715 Businesspark Avenue, San Diego, California, 92131, USA.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.3 Going concern

The directors of the Company have performed an assessment of the overall position and future forecasts for the purposes of going concern in light of the current environment covering the period from the present through to 31 December 2023. The Directors of the Company have considered the future position based on current trading and a severe but plausible downturn scenario which may occur, through general economic uncertainty and other risks. This assessment has considered likely trading patterns of the Company and the ability to generate cash from future sales to remain cash generative.

This assessment has also considered the external liability on the Company's balance sheet which relates to a line of credit agreement executed at a group level, in the United States, against which the Company has drawn down funds. The company has the contractual right to roll forward the loan until repayment is due in 2025, outside of the going concern period of assessment, unless loan covenants are breached in the meantime. The Directors have modelled a number of scenarios over the going concern period of assessment including a severe but plausible scenario. None of these scenarios forecast results which would lead to a covenant breach, and therefore it is assumed the loan will remain in place throughout the going concern period of review.

In view of all of the above, the directors have concluded that it remains appropriate to continue to prepare the financial statement on a going concern basis of preparation.

2.4 Turnover

Turnover is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Company and the turnover can be reliably measured. Turnover is measured by the invoiced value of the goods supplied after deduction of settlement discounts, volume rebates and value added tax.

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

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.5 Intangible assets

Intangible assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, intangible assets are measured at cost less any accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses.

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

All intangible assets are considered to have a finite useful life. If a reliable estimate of the useful life cannot be made, the useful life shall not exceed ten years.

Amortisation is provided on the following bases:

Goodwill - 7 % - 20% Computer Software - 20 % - 33%

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

2.6 Tangible assets

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

Land is not depreciated. Depreciation on other assets is charged so as to allocate the cost of assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Buildings - 2.5% - 33.3%

Plant and machinery - 10% Motor vehicles - 25%

Fixtures, fittings and equipment - 10% - 33.3%

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

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised in profit or loss.

Annually, assets are reviewed for indicators of impairment.

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.7 Research and development

In the research phase of an internal project it is not possible to demonstrate that the project will generate future economic benefits and hence all expenditure on research shall be recognised as an expense when it is incurred. Intangible assets are recognised from the development phase of a project if and only if certain specific criteria are met in order to demonstrate the asset will generate probable future economic benefits and that its cost can be reliably measured. The capitalised development costs are subsequently amortised on a straight line basis over their useful economic lives.

If it is not possible to distinguish between the research phase and the development phase of an internal project, the expenditure is treated as if it were all incurred in the research phase only.

2.8 Inventories

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value, being the estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost is based on the cost of purchase on a first in, first out basis. Work in progress and finished goods include labour and attributable overheads.

At each balance sheet date, stocks are assessed for impairment. If stock is impaired, the carrying amount is reduced to its selling price less costs to complete and sell. The impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

In addition the Company holds stock that is to be used as free samples to be given to promote the Company brands. Finished goods are physically held by packaging suppliers, however due to an exclusive buy back agreement, it is considered that, in substance, this is stock of the Company.

2.9 Debtors

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment. Loans receivable are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

2.10 Cash and cash equivalents

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

2.11 Financial instruments

The Company enters into basic financial instrument transactions that result in the recognition of financial assets and liabilities like trade and other debtors and creditors, loans from banks and other third parties and loans to related parties. The Company has applied sections 11 and 12 of FRS 102 in respect of recognition and measurement of financial instruments.

Debt instruments (other than those wholly repayable or receivable within one year), including loans and other accounts receivable and payable, are initially measured at present value of the future cash flows and subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Debt instruments that are payable or receivable within one year, typically trade debtors and creditors, are measured, initially and subsequently, at the undiscounted amount of the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received. However, if the arrangements of a short-term instrument constitute a financing

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.11 Financial instruments (continued)

transaction, like the payment of a trade debt deferred beyond normal business terms or in case of an out-right short-term loan that is not at market rate, the financial asset or liability is measured, initially at the present value of future cash flows discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument and subsequently at amortised cost, unless it qualifies as a loan from a director in the case of a small company, or a public benefit entity concessionary loan.

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

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

For financial assets measured at cost less impairment, the impairment loss is measured as the difference between an asset's carrying amount and best estimate of the recoverable amount, which is an approximation of the amount that the Company would receive for the asset if it were to be sold at the balance sheet date.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the Balance Sheet when there is an enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Derivatives, including interest rate swaps and 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. Changes in the fair value of derivatives are recognised in profit or loss in finance costs or income as appropriate. The company does not currently apply hedge accounting for interest rate and foreign exchange derivatives.

2.12 Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other financial liabilities, including bank loans, are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.13 Foreign currency translation

Functional and presentation currency

The Company's functional and presentational currency is GBP.

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 profit or loss except when deferred in other comprehensive income as qualifying cash flow hedges.

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

2.14 Dividends

Equity dividends are recognised when they become legally payable. Interim equity dividends are recognised when paid. Final equity dividends are recognised when approved by the shareholders at an annual general meeting.

2.15 Share-based payments

Where share options are awarded to employees, the fair value of the options at the date of grant is charged to profit or loss over the vesting period. Non-market vesting conditions are taken into account by adjusting the number of equity instruments expected to vest at each Balance Sheet date so that, ultimately, the cumulative amount recognised over the vesting period is based on the number of options that eventually vest. Market vesting conditions are factored into the fair value of the options granted. The cumulative expense is not adjusted for failure to achieve a market vesting condition.

The fair value of the award also takes into account non-vesting conditions. These are either factors beyond the control of either party (such as a target based on an index) or factors which are within the control of one or other of the parties (such as the Company keeping the scheme open or the employee maintaining any contributions required by the scheme).

Where the terms and conditions of options are modified before they vest, the increase in the fair value of the options, measured immediately before and after the modification, is also charged to profit or loss over the remaining vesting period.

Where equity instruments are granted to persons other than employees, profit or loss is charged with fair value of goods and services received.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.16 Operating leases: the Company as lessee

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

2.17 Pensions

Defined contribution pension plan

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

The contributions are recognised as an expense in profit or loss when they fall due. Amounts not paid are shown in accruals as a liability in the Balance Sheet. The assets of the plan are held separately from the Company in independently administered funds.

2.18 Holiday pay accrual

A liability is recognised to the extent of any unused holiday pay entitlement which is accrued at the Balance Sheet date and carried forward to future periods. This is measured at the undiscounted salary cost of the future holiday entitlement so accrued at the Balance Sheet date.

2.19 Interest income

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

2.20 Finance costs

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.21 Current and deferred taxation

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

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

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

- The recognition of deferred tax assets is limited to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits;
- Any deferred tax balances are reversed if and when all conditions for retaining associated tax allowances have been met; and
- Where they relate to timing differences in respect of interests in subsidiaries, associates, branches and joint ventures and the Company can control the reversal of the timing differences and such reversal is not considered probable in the foreseeable future.

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

2.22 Provisions for liabilities

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

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

When payments are eventually made, they are charged to the provision carried in the Balance Sheet.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

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

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with FRS 102 requires management to make judgements, estimates, and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

We consider an accounting estimate to be significant if. (1) the accounting estimate requires us to make assumptions about matters that were highly uncertain at the time the accounting estimate was made, and (2) changes in the estimate that are reasonably likely to occur from period to period, or use of different estimates that we reasonably could have used in the current period, would have a material impact on our financial condition or results of operations.

There are other items within our financial statements that require estimation, but are not deemed critical as defined above. Changes in estimates used in these and other items could have a material impact on our financial statements.

Useful Lives of Intangible and Tangible Fixed Assets

The estimation of the useful lives of items of intangible and tangible fixed assets is a matter of judgment based on the experience with similar assets. The future economic benefits embodied in the assets are consumed principally through use. However, other factors, such as technical or commercial obsolescence and wear and tear, often result in the diminution of the economic benefits embodied in the assets.

Management assesses the remaining useful lives in accordance with the current technical conditions of the assets and estimated period during which the assets are expected to earn benefits for the Company. The following primary factors are considered: (a) expected usage of the assets; (b) expected physical wear and tear, which depends on operational factors and maintenance programme; and (c) technical or commercial obsolescence arising from changes in market conditions.

Sales Incentives

Sales incentives are recorded as a reduction of sales in the statement of comprehensive income. Sales incentives include on-going trade promotion programs with customers that require us to estimate and accrue for the expected costs of such programs. These programs include cooperative marketing programs, rebates and other promotional activities. Costs related to these sales incentive programs are recorded as a reduction to sales upon delivery of products to customers.

Sales incentives are calculated based primarily on historical rates and consideration of recent promotional activities. The determination of sales incentive costs and the related liabilities require us to use judgment for estimates that include current and past trade promotion spending patterns, status of trade promotion activities and the interpretation of historical spending trends by customer and category. We review our assumptions and adjust our sales incentive allowances accordingly on a quarterly basis. Our financial statements could be materially impacted if the actual promotion rates are different from the estimated rates and applied to a large volume of sales.

At August 31, 2022, the Company had an amount of £4.6m (2021:£5.1m) outstanding as accrued under sales incentive schemes.

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Foreign Currency Forward Contracts

In the normal course of business, we employ established policies and procedures to manage our exposure to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. We utilise foreign currency forward contracts to limit our exposure to net asset balances held in non-functional currencies, specifically the Euro and U.S. Dollar. We regularly monitor our foreign currency exchange rate exposures to ensure the overall effectiveness of the foreign currency hedge positions. While we engage in foreign currency hedging activity to reduce its risk, for accounting purposes, none of our foreign currency forward contracts are designated as hedges.

Foreign currency forward contracts are carried at fair value, with net realised and unrealised gains and losses recognised currently in other income (expense) in the statement of comprehensive income. Foreign currency forward contracts in an asset position at the end of the reporting period are included in other debtors, while foreign currency forward contracts in a liability position at the end of the reporting period are included within the creditors balance on the balance sheets. At August 31, 2022, we had a notional amount of £5.3m (2021: £2.6m) outstanding in foreign currency forward contracts. The notional amount was estimated based on our net asset balances at the time we entered into the hedge. Changes to our estimate of the amount to be hedged could result in over or under hedging, which could have a material impact on our financial statements.

4. Turnover

The Company's activities constitute a single class of business.

Analysis of turnover by country of destination:

	£000	£000
United Kingdom	22,399	27,348
Rest of Europe	111,410	107,578
Rest of the World	22,558	18,343
	156,367	153,269

2022

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

5.	Operating profit		
	The operating profit is stated after charging / (crediting):		
		2022 £000	2021 £000
	Research and development charged as expense	75	28
	Depreciation of tangible assets	1,618	1,398
	Amortisation of intangible assets, including goodwill	691	639
	Operating lease charges	392	427
	Profit on sale of fixed assets	(129)	(224)
	Exchange differences	(1,163)	688
	Defined contribution pension cost	1,037	1,134
	Inventory recognised as an expense	68,307	64,329
	Impairment of trade debtors	65	112
6.	Auditors' remuneration		
		2022 £000	2021 £000
	Fees payable to the Company's auditor and their associates for the audit of the Company's annual financial statements	253	234
٠	Fees payable to the Company's auditor and its associates in respect of:		
	Tax advisory services	-	. 26
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Included within the auditors' remuneration is £5,000 (2021: £5,000) relating to the audit of the immediate parent company WD-40 Holdings Limited.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

7. Employees

Staff costs, including directors' remuneration, were as follows:

	2022 £000	2021 £000
Wages and salaries	13,401	15,295
Social security costs	3,206	3,624
Other pension costs	1,037	1,134
•	17,644	20,053

Share based equity awards including Restricted Stock Units (RSUs), Deferred Performance Units (DPUs) and Performance Stocks Units (PSUs) of £388,000 (2021: £766,000) were awarded during the year.

The average monthly number of employees, including the directors, during the year was as follows:

	2022 No.	2021 No.
Sales & Marketing	115	. 118
Administration	141	125
	256	243
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

8. Directors' remuneration

One of the Company's two Directors is employed by WD-40 Company, the ultimate parent company, and did not receive emoluments from WD-40 Company Limited. The Director did not receive any emoluments from any other party specifically for services as a Director of WD-40 Company Limited and it is not possible to make an accurate apportionment of the Director's emoluments received from other group companies in respect of their services to WD-40 Company Limited. Accordingly these financial statements include no emoluments for this Director (2021: £nil).

The director, for whom remuneration is disclosed in these financial statements, is also the highest paid director of the entity.

2022 £000	2021 £000
273	554
131	248
37	52
441	854
	£000 273 131 37

During the year retirement benefits were accruing to 1 director (2021 - 1) in respect of defined contribution pension schemes.

The paid Director did not exercise share options during the year and has shares receivable under a long term incentive scheme. The paid Director also received a dividend payment of £4,000 (2021: £6,000) from the Company's ultimate parent company.

The Key Management Personnel of the Company comprise the European Tribal Council. The total amount of employee benefits, including share based equity award and employer's pension contributions, received by Key Management Personnel, including Directors, for their services to the Company was £2,155,000 (2021: £2,823,000).

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Interest received		,
	2022 £000	2021 £000
Interest received	-	3
	<u> </u>	3
Interest paid		
	2022 £000	2021 £000
Loan interest paid	442	353
	442	353
	Interest received Interest paid	Interest received Interest paid Interest paid Loan interest paid 2022 £000 442

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

11.	Tax on profit		
		2022 £000	2021 £000
	Corporation tax	2000	2000
	Current tax on profits for the year	4,076	5,618
	Adjustments in respect of previous periods	(145)	(9)
		3,931	5,609
	Double taxation relief	(586)	(488)
		3,345	5,121
	Foreign tax		
-	Foreign tax on income for the year	736	794
		736	794
	Total current tax	4,081	5,915
	Deferred tax		
	Origination and reversal of timing differences	253	(131)
•	Adjustments in respect of previous periods	(14)	-
	Changes in tax rates	79	(105)
	Total deferred tax	318	(236)
	Tax on profit	4,399	5,679

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

11. Tax on profit (continued)

Factors affecting tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year is higher than (2021 - higher than) the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2021 - 19%). The differences are explained below:

2022

2024

Profit before tax multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2020 - 19%) Effects of: Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Income not taxable Higher rate taxes on overseas earnings Adjustments in respect of previous periods Tax rate changes 79 (159)		2022 £000	2021 £000
19% (2020 - 19%) Effects of: Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Income not taxable Higher rate taxes on overseas earnings Adjustments in respect of previous periods Tax rate changes 4,371 5,4 (24) (24) (24) (159) (79) (79) (79) (70)	Profit before tax	23,006	28,905
Income not taxable Higher rate taxes on overseas earnings Adjustments in respect of previous periods Tax rate changes (24) (151) (159) (79) (179)	19% (2020 - 19%)	4,371	5,492
Higher rate taxes on overseas earnings Adjustments in respect of previous periods Tax rate changes 151 (159) 79	Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	54	51
Adjustments in respect of previous periods (159) Tax rate changes 79 (159)	Income not taxable	(24)	(7)
Tax rate changes 79 (1	Higher rate taxes on overseas earnings	151	306
	Adjustments in respect of previous periods	(159)	(9)
Share options (73)	Tax rate changes	79	(105)
	Share options	(73)	(49)
Total tax charge for the year 4,399 5,6	Total tax charge for the year	4,399	5,679

Factors that may affect future tax charges

The Finance Act 2015 which was substantively enacted on 26 October 2015 included legislation to reduce the main rate of corporation tax to 19% from 1 April 2017 and 18% from 1 April 2020.

The March 2016 Budget Statement announced a further change to UK Corporation tax rate which will reduce the main rate of corporation tax to 17% from 1 April 2020.

In the Spring Budget 2020, the Government announced that from 1 April 2020 the corporation tax rate would remain at 19% (rather than reducing to 17%, as previously enacted). This new law was substantively enacted on 17 March 2020.

The Finance Act 2021 enacted on 10 June 2021 increased the main rate of UK corporation tax from 19% to 25%, effective from 1 April 2023. Deferred taxes on the balance sheet have been measured at 25% (2021 – 25%) which represents the future corporation tax rate that was enacted at the balance sheet date.

The UK fiscal statement on 23 September 2022 included measures to target annual economic growth of 2.5%, encourage investment, higher wages and increased consumer spending. These measures included the cancellation of the planned increase in the corporation tax rate to 25%. Subsequent turmoil in the UK currency and bond markets drove the government to reverse the cancellation of the increase in the corporate income tax rate to 25% as announced in the UK fiscal statement. As a result, the UK corporate income tax is due to rise as originally scheduled to 25% on 1 April 2023.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

12.	Dividends			
			2022 £000	2021 £000
	Interim dividend paid		5,200	14,500
			5,200	14,500
	The dividend paid on each share amounted to £20.79	9 (2021: £57.98).		
13.	Intangible assets			
		Computer software £000	Goodwill £000	Total £000
	Cost			
	At 1 September 2021	4,354	10,940	15,294
	Additions .	613	-	613
	Transfer from tangibles	26	. •	26
	Disposals	(1)	-	· (1)
	At 31 August 2022	4,992	10,940	15,932
	Accumulated amortisation			
	At 1 September 2021	3,072	10,940	14,012
	Charge for the year on owned assets	691	-	691
	On disposals	(1)	-	(1)
	At 31 August 2022	3,762	10,940	14,702
	Net book value			
	At 31 August 2022	1,230	<u> </u>	1,230
	At 31 August 2021	1,282	-	1,282

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

13. Intangible assets (continued)

Goodwill relates to:

- (i) The acquisition of the 3-in-One brand rights during 1995/96 for the UK, Europe and Middle East; the goodwill was amortised on a straight-line basis over 15 years;
- (ii) Goodwill on the 1001 brand acquired in 2003/4, the goodwill was amortised on a straight-line basis over 10 years;
- (iii) Goodwill on the purchasing rights to sell direct in Belgium. This goodwill was acquired in January 2014 and has been amortised on a straight-line basis over 5 years;
- (iv) Goodwill on the GT-85 acquisition in September 2014, has been amortised on a straight-line basis over 5 years.

The useful life of goodwill is based on the expected use of those acquired brands and rights to sell.

The useful life of computer software is based on managements expectation of the usage of the software.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

Tangible fixed assets Plant and Fixtures and Freehold Motor Assets under land Buildings £000 construction £000 machinery £000 fittings £000 vehicles Total £000 £000 £000 Cost or valuation At 1 September 2021 638 9,537 554 2,991 2,636 10,105 26,461 Additions 747 2,735 180 42 442 4,146 Disposals (10) (561) (727) (156)Transfers between classes (7,355) 7,329 (26) At 31 August 2022 5,485 638 9,707 7,925 3,277 2,822 29,854 Accumulated depreciation At 1 September 2021. 1,400 183 2,036 950 4,569 Charge for the year on owned assets 283 269 528 538 1,618 Disposals (10) (134)(428)(572) At 31 August 2022 1,673 5,615 452 2,430 1,060 Net book value At 31 August 2022 638 8,034 7,473 847 1,762 5,485 24,239 8,137 At 31 August 2021 638 371 955 1,686 10,105 21,892

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

15.	Stocks		
		2022 £000	2021 £000
	Raw materials	418	514
	Work in progress	. 81	143
	Finished goods	22,581	14,807
		23,080	15,464

The carrying value of stocks are stated net of impairment losses totalling £3,000 (2021 - £22,000).

There is no significant difference between the replacement cost of the inventory and the carrying amount.

16. Debtors

	2022	. 2021
	£000	£000
Due after more than one year		
Deferred tax asset	121	439
	121	439
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	37,200	33,479
Other debtors	240	134
Prepayments	3,453	3,271
Tax receivable	2,094	882
	43,108	38,205
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Trade debtors are stated after provision for impairment of £65,000 (2021:£163,000).

Other debtors relate to cloud computing costs capitalised as part of the development of Blackline and Phocas software.

17. Cash at bank and in hand

	2022 £000	2021 £000
Bank and cash balances	20,141	22,167
	20,141	22,167

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18.	Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year			
		2022 £000	2021 £000	
	Trade creditors	7,697	10,056	
	Amounts owed to group undertakings	15,028	11,351	

Other taxation and social security 2,291 3,095
Other creditors 1,120 3,725

Amounts owed to group undertakings are repayable on demand, unsecured, and interest-free.

19. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2022 £000	2021 £000
Bank loan (note 20)	33,820	33,820
	33,820	33,820

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20. Loans

Analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	2022 £000	2021 £000
Amounts falling due 2-5 years		
Bank loans 2-5 yrs	33,820	33,820
	33,820	33,820

On 22 January 2019, WD-40 Company ("Group") amended its existing revolving line of credit Agreement with Bank of America to add the WD-40 Company Limited ("Company") as a Guarantor and Designated Borrower. The Agreement was further amended and restated on 16 March 2020 and amended again on 30 September 2020 and amended for transition from LIBOR on 29 November 2021.

The credit Agreement for this unsecured facility expires on 30 September 2025. As of 31 August 2022, there were two outstanding draws on the credit facility in the amount of £18,400,000 (Pounds) and €18,000,000 (Euros), both draws were made by the Company and subject to SONIA and EURIBOR respectively.

For additional clarity note that the Company has access within the credit agreement to a facility with a sub-limit of \$100,000,000 (U.S. Dollars). The Group can refinance any draws under the line of credit with successive short-term borrowings through the September 30, 2025, maturity date of the Credit Agreement. Outstanding draws for which we have both the ability and intent to refinance with successive short-term borrowings for a period of at least twelve months are classified as long-term. No amendments have been made to payment terms, and the Company still intends to continuously renew the outstanding debt amounts drawn.

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Financial instruments		
	2022 £000	2021 £000
Financial assets		
Financial assets that are debt instruments measured at amortised cost	<u>37,200</u>	33,479
Financial liabilities		
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	(64,803)	(62,009)

Included within financial assets that are debt intruments measured at amortised cost are Trade debtors.

Included within financial liabilities measured at amortised cost are Trade creditors, Amounts owed to group undertakings, Accruals and provisions for liabilities and Bank loans.

Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss

The Company enters into forward foreign currency contract to mitigate the exchange rate risk for certain foreign currency receivables.

The forward currency contracts are measured at fair value, which is determined using valuation techniques that utilise observable inputs. The key assumptions used in valuing the contracts are the forward exchange rates for GBP:USD and GBP:EUR. As at 31 August 2022 the fair value of the forward foreign currency contracts is £5,335,000 (2021: £2,644,000).

The change in value included in the Profit or Loss Account was £280,000 loss (2021: £55,000 loss).

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22. Deferred taxation

		2022 £000
At beginning of year Charged to profit or loss		439 (318)
At end of year	_	121
The deferred tax asset is made up as follows:		
	2022 £000	2021 £000
Fixed asset timing differences	(178)	78
Short-term timing differences - trading	299	361
 -	121	439

23. Provisions for liabilities

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At 1 September 2021 Released to the profit and loss			30 (5)
At 31 August 2022			25
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Dilapidations Provision

As part of the Company's property leasing arrangements there is an obligation to repair damages which incur during the life of the lease, such as wear and tear. The cost is charged to profit and loss as the obligation arises. The provision is expected to be utilised as the leases terminate.

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24. Called up share capital

Allotted, called up and fully paid	2022 £000	2021 £000
250,100 (2021 - 250,100) Ordinary shares of £1.00 each	250	250

There is a single class of ordinary shares. There are no restrictions on the distribution of dividends and the repayment of capital.

25. Reserves

Share premium account

The share premium account represents the consideration received on the issue of shares in the Company in excess of the nominal value of those shares, net share issue costs, bonus issue of shares and any subsequent capital reductions.

Profit and loss account

The profit and loss account represents the accumulated profits, losses and distributions of the Company.

26. Share-based payments

At 31 August 2022, WD-40 Company, the ultimate parent company in the USA, had one share incentive plan, the WD-40 Company 2016 Stock Incentive Plan ("2016 Plan"), which was approved by the ultimate parent company's shareholders effective as of 13 December 2016. The 2016 Plan permits the granting of various share-based equity awards, including non-qualified share options, incentive share options, share appreciation rights, restricted shares, restricted share units, performance shares, performance units and other share-based awards to employees, directors and consultants. To date through 31 August 2022, the ultimate parent company had granted awards of restricted share units ("RSUs"), market share units ("MSUs"), deferred performance units ("DPUs") and performance share units ("PSUs") under the 2016 Plan. Additionally, as of 31 August 2022, there were still certain outstanding awards which had been granted under the ultimate parent company's prior equity incentive plan. The 2016 Plan is administered by the ultimate parent company's Board of Directors (the "Board") or the Compensation Committee or other designated committee of the Board (the "Committee"). All share-based equity awards granted under the 2016 Plan are subject to the specific terms and conditions as determined by the Committee at the time of grant of such awards in accordance with the various terms and conditions specified for each award type per the 2016 Plan. The total number of shares of the ultimate parent company's common shares authorised for issuance pursuant to grants of awards under the 2016 Plan is 1,000,000. At 31 August 2022, 384,859 shares of the ultimate parent company's common shares remained available for future issuance pursuant to grants of awards under the 2016 Plan.

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26. Share-based payments (continued)

Vesting of the RSUs under the ultimate parent company's equity incentive plans that were granted to certain of the WD-40 Company Limited's high level employees is over a period of three years from the date of grant, subject to potential earlier vesting in the event of retirement of the holder of the award in accordance with the award agreement, with shares to be issued pursuant to the vested RSUs at the time of vest.

Vesting of the MSUs under the ultimate parent company's equity incentive plans that were granted to certain of the WD-40 Company Limited's high level employees follows a performance measurement period of three fiscal years commencing with the company's fiscal year in which the MSU awards are granted (the "Measurement Period"). Shares will be issued pursuant to the vested MSUs following the conclusion of the applicable MSU Measurement Period after the Committee's certification of achievement of the applicable performance measure for such awards and the vesting of the MSU awards and the applicable percentage of the target number of MSU shares to be issued. The recipient must remain employed with the company for vesting purposes until the date on which the Committee certifies achievement of the applicable performance measure for the MSU awards, subject to potential pro-rata vesting in the event of earlier retirement of the holder of the award in accordance with the award agreement.

During the twelve months ended 31 August 2021, PSU awards were granted for the first time under the 2016 Plan in October 2021 and granting of new DPUs was discontinued by the Company. PSUs continue to be granted annually. No DPUs were granted in fiscal year 2021 and 2022. Although certain vested DPU awards granted in prior periods remain outstanding due to a deferred settlement feature contained within these award agreements, the expense associated with these awards has been fully recognized in prior periods. Many features of the Company's PSU award agreements are similar to the discontinued DPU awards with the exception of the timing and terms of issuances. Vested DPUs contain a deferred settlement feature wherein the awards must be held until termination of employment, prior to which the recipients are entitled to dividend equivalents, with vested shares to be issued six months following each such recipient's termination of employment with the Company. Vested PSUs are issuable prior to termination of employment but contain a period of restriction, wherein the recipient cannot sell or otherwise dispose of the stock until six months following termination of employment with the Company. Vesting of the PSUs under the ultimate parent company's equity incentive plans that were granted to certain of the WD-40 Company Limited's high level employees follows a performance measurement period of one fiscal year that is the same fiscal year in which the PSU awards are granted (the "Measurement Year"). A number of PSUs equal to the applicable percentage of the maximum number of PSUs awarded will be confirmed as vested following the conclusion of the applicable PSU Measurement Year after the Committee's certification of achievement of the applicable performance measure for such awards (the "Vested PSUs"). The recipient must remain employed with the company for vesting purposes until 31 August of the Measurement Year, subject to potential pro-rata vesting in the event of earlier retirement of the holder of the award in accordance with the award agreement.

Share-based compensation expense is recognised on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period for the entire award. Share-based compensation expense related to the WD-40 Company Limited's share-based equity awards totalled £388,000 (U.S. \$507,000) and £766,000 (U.S. \$1,053,000) for the fiscal years ended 31 August 2022 and 2021, respectively. The Company recognised corporation tax benefits related to such share-based compensation expense of £49,000 (U.S.\$64,000) and £99,000 (U.S.\$136,000) for the fiscal years ended 31 August 2022 and 2021, respectively, and additional net corporation tax benefits of £44,000 (U.S. \$45,000) and £66,000 (U.S. \$82,000) for the fiscal years ended 31 August 2022 and 2021, respectively, arising upon conversions of RSUs, MSUs and PSUs to common shares, net of the impact of adjustments of the deferred tax asset related to share-based compensation expense for share-based equity awards resulting from enacted changes in corporation tax rates and remeasurement due to changes in foreign currency exchange rates.

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27. Pension commitments

The Company operates a defined contributions pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the Company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the Company to the fund and amounted to £1,037,000 (2021: £1,134,000). Contributions totalling £19,000 (2021: £17,000) were payable to the fund at the balance sheet date.

28. Commitments under operating leases

At 31 August 2022 and 2021 the Company had future minimum lease payments due under non-cancellable operating leases for each of the following periods:

	2022	2021
	£000	£000
Land & Buildings		
Not later than 1 year	308	331
Later than 1 year not later than 5 years	670	906
Over 5 years	156	228
	1,134	1,465
	2022 £000	2021 £000
Other		
Not later than 1 year	-	6
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29. Controlling party

The Company's immediate parent company is WD-40 Holdings Limited.

The ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is WD-40 Company incorporated in the United States. This is the parent undertaking of the only group to consolidate these financial statements. Copies of the group financial statements can be requested from WD-40 Company, 9715 Businesspark Avenue, San Diego, California, 92131, USA.