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Directors' report and financial statements For the year ended 30 September 2012 Registered number 01833385

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Company Information

Directors

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Secretary

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Registered number

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Directors' Report

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2012

Principal activities

The company operates a range of residential mental health services including independent hospitals and homes specifically designed to build users' independence and support community living. The company also operates a number of specialist facilities for individuals living with eating disorders or who are prone to self harm.

Business review

The company's strategy is to continue to grow both organically and through acquisition where market consolidation opportunities make this cost effective

The Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) used by the company to measure financial performance are revenue, operating profit, operating profit margin, bed numbers and occupancy. Turnover in the company has increased by 11.8% from the previous year. Operating profit for the year amounted to £1,160,000 (2011 £9,000). Operating profit margin increased year on year from 0.1% to 7.9%. Excluding the impact of a provision for home closure costs of £854,000 in 2011, the operating profit margin in 2011 would have been 6.5%. Total bed numbers at the year end were 257 (2011 223).

The main financial risk in the business relates to the level of financial occupancy achieved in the non-block contracted services which comprise 74% (2011 63%) of total beds in the business at the year end. The company achieved an average financial occupancy across all of its beds of 87% in the year (2011 87%)

No interim dividend was paid in respect of the current year (2011 £nil) The directors do not recommend a final ordinary dividend to be paid in respect of the current year (2011 £nil)

On 3 October 2011 three properties were transferred from a fellow subsidiary company, Care UK Properties Limited, to the company, at net book value of £4,820,000

On 1 January 2012 the trade and assets of two subsidiaries, Generis Limited and Park Villa Limited, were transferred to the company at net book values of £162,000 and £563,000 respectively

On 1 April 2012 the trade and assets of a fellow subsidiary company, Althea Park Limited, were transferred to the company at net book value of £279,000

On 1 November 2012 the trade and assets of Nexvale Limited, a subsidiary of the company, were transferred to the company at a net book value of £1,343,000

Directors

The directors who served during the year were as follows

M R Parish P J Humphreys A J Rose-Quirie C R Brown A H Culhane

(Resigned 3 May 2012)

Employees

It is group policy to give fair consideration to the employment needs of disabled people to comply with current legislation with regard to disabled persons and, wherever practicable, to continue to employ and promote the careers of existing employees who become disabled and to consider disabled persons for employment, subsequent training, career development and promotion on the basis of their aptitude and abilities

Directors' Report (continued)

Employees (continued)

Management regularly visit local offices and discuss matters of current interest and concern to the business with members of staff

Management have developed a series of internal communications tools, including e-mail notices, newsletters and 'cascade' briefings in order to keep employees informed regarding the progress, financial position and commercial issues of the Care UK group

Political and charitable donations

The company made no political or charitable donations during the year (2011 £nil)

Statement on payment of suppliers

The company does not follow a specific code or statement on payment practice. However, it is the company's policy to pay its suppliers in accordance with the payment terms agreed at the outset of the relationship providing the supplier adheres to its obligations.

Disclosure of information to auditor

The directors who held office at the date of approval of this directors' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a director to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information

Auditor

Pursuant to Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditor will be deemed to be reappointed and KPMG Audit Pic will therefore continue in office

By order of the board

C R Brown Director Connaught House 850 The Crescent Colchester Business Park Colchester CO4 9QB 18 June 2013

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities in respect of the Directors' Report and the financial statements

The directors are responsible for preparing 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 they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to

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

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the company's website Legislation in the UK governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions

Independent auditor's report to the members of Care UK Mental Health Partnerships Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Care UK Mental Health Partnerships Limited for the year ended 30 September 2012 set out on pages 7 to 21 The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and UK Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

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 auditors' 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

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 5, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit, and express an opinion on, the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the Financial Reporting Council's web-site at www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 30 September 2012 and of its profit for the year then ended
- have been properly prepared in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where 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

Stephanie Beavis (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of KPMG Audit Plc, Statutory Auditor

Chartered Accountants 6 Lower Brook Street Ipswich IP4 1AP

18 June 2013

Profit and Loss Account

For the year ended 30 September 2012

	Note	2012 £000	2011 £000
Turnover Cost of sales	2	14,753 (9,497)	13,190 (9,683)
Gross profit Administrative expenses		5,256 (4,096)	3,507 (3,498)
Operating profit Income from shares in group undertakings Interest receivable Interest payable and similar charges	3	1,160 2,923 184 (1,798)	9 350 33 (1,856)
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before taxation	6	2,469	(1,464)
Tax on profit/(loss) on ordinary activities	7	40	318
Profit/(loss) for the financial year		2,509	(1,146)

All results derive from continuing activities

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the profit/(loss) for the above year

There were no material differences between the result as disclosed in the profit and loss account and that given by an unmodified historical cost basis during the current year

The notes on pages 9 to 21 form an integral part of these financial statements

Balance Sheet

As at 30 September 2012

	Note	2012		2011	
		£000	£000	£000	£000
Fixed assets					
Intangible assets	8		6,149		714
Tangible assets	9		20,826		11, 4 61
Investments	10		6,722		12,568
			33,697		24,743
Current assets			•		•
Stocks	11	1,406		2,621	
Debtors	12	1,534		3,494	
Cash at bank and in hand		2,075		2,418	
		5,015		8,533	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one		-,		0,000	
year	13	(7,372)		(8,077)	
Net current (liabilities)/assets			(2,357)		456
·			<u> </u>		
Total assets less current liabilities			31,340		25,199
Creditors: amounts falling due after more					
than one year	14		(27,534)		(23,868)
than one year	, ,		(27,004)		(20,000)
Provisions for liabilities and charges					
Deferred taxation	15		(275)		(309)
			<u> </u>		
Net assets			3,531		1,022
			0,001		.,0
Capital and reserves	40				
Called up share capital	16		-		4 000
Profit and loss account	17		3,531		1,022
Shareholders' funds	18		3,531		1 022
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Company registration number 01833385

The notes on pages 9 to 21 form an integral part of these financial statements

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on 18 June 2013 and were signed on its behalf by

C R Brown Director

Notes to the financial statements

1 Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the financial statements

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and under the historical cost convention

The company is exempt from the requirement of Financial Reporting Standard No 1 (revised) to prepare a cash flow statement as it is a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking of Care UK Limited and its cash flows are included within the consolidated cash flow statement of that company

The company is exempt from the requirement to prepare group financial statements by virtue of section 400 of the Companies Act 2006. These financial statements present information about the Company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

As the company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Care UK Limited, the company has taken advantage of the exemption contained in Financial Reporting Standard No 8 and has therefore not disclosed transactions or balances with entities which form part of the group. The consolidated financial statements of Care UK Limited, within which this company is included, can be obtained from the address given in note 24.

Going concern

The company's business activities, together with the factors likely to affect its future development and position, are set out in the Business Review section of the Directors' Report on page 3. The company has access to funds provided by Care UK Limited, a parent company. The directors, having assessed the responses of the directors of Care UK Limited to their enquiries have no reason to believe that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt about the ability of the Care UK group to continue as a going concern. On the basis of their assessment of the company's financial position and of the enquiries made of the directors of Care UK Limited, the company's directors have a reasonable expectation that the company will be able to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

Investments

Investments in subsidiary undertakings are stated at cost less provisions for impairments

Goodwill

Purchased goodwill arises on acquisitions and is the difference between the fair value of the purchase consideration and associated costs and the fair values attributable to the net assets acquired. In accordance with FRS 10, the goodwill arising on acquisitions completed on or after 1 October 1998 is capitalised as an intangible fixed asset and amortised over its estimated useful life, which will not exceed 20 years. Goodwill arising on acquisitions prior to this date was taken directly to reserves in the year of acquisition. On the disposal of businesses, any unamortised goodwill in the balance sheet or goodwill previously taken to reserves in respect of such business is charged against the disposal in the profit and loss account.

In the year ended 30 September 2012 the trade and net assets of subsidiary undertakings were transferred to the company at their book value. As a result of this transfer, the excess value of the company's investment in those subsidiary undertakings over their remaining net assets has been reallocated to goodwill (see note 8)

1 Accounting policies (continued)

Fixed assets

Freehold and long leasehold land and buildings are carried in the financial statements at cost Assets in the course of construction are carried in the financial statements at cost, taken from the most recent valuation certificate received prior to the date of the financial statements

The cost of land and buildings includes both the costs of financing assets in the course of construction and other costs that are directly attributable to bringing the asset into working condition for its intended use. Capitalisation of finance and other costs ceases at the date the asset is fully capable of providing the service for which it has been constructed.

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost, less estimated residual values, of fixed assets by equal instalments over their estimated useful economic lives as follows

Freehold land No depreciation provided

Freehold buildings 5 to 50 years Fixtures, fittings, and equipment 3 to 10 years

Costs incurred in relation to contracts not yet signed where the company has been appointed preferred provider are capitalised in accordance with UITF Abstract 34. Such amounts are held within other debtors until such time as the contract is signed when they are transferred into assets in the course of construction.

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value

Taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the profit for the year and takes into account deferred taxation

Deferred tax is recognised, without discounting, in respect of all timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes which have arisen but not reversed by the balance sheet date, except as otherwise required by FRS 19

Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the group in independently administered managed funds. Contributions to defined contribution personal pension schemes are charged to the profit and loss account in the year in which they become payable.

The company also participates in a group pension scheme providing benefits based on final pensionable pay. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company being invested with insurance companies. Contributions to the scheme are charged to the profit and loss account so as to spread the cost of pensions over the employees' working lives with the company.

Because the company is unable to identify its share of the group scheme assets and liabilities on a consistent and reasonable basis, as permitted by FRS 17 'Retirement benefits' the scheme is accounted for by the company as if the scheme was a defined contribution scheme Further information is available in the Care UK Limited group financial statements

1 Accounting policies (continued)

Leasing

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

2 Turnover

Turnover represents sales and services to third party customers in the health and social care sector, stated net of any applicable value added tax. Turnover is recognised when services are provided

3 Interest payable

		2012 £000	2011 £000
	Intercompany interest payable	1,798	1,823
4	Directors' emoluments		
		2012 £000	2011 £000
	Total emoluments	309	302

Total emoluments above include all amounts payable to A J Rose-Quirie and C R Brown The highest paid director during the year received £198,000 (2011 £195,000)

The emoluments of M R Parish and P J Humphreys are disclosed in the financial statements of Care UK Limited The emoluments of A H Culhane are disclosed in the financial statements of Care UK Community Partnerships Limited, a fellow group company

Retirement benefits under money purchase pension schemes are accruing to 3 directors (2011 6)

5 Staff numbers and cost

The average number of persons employed by the company (including directors) during the year, analysed by category, was as follows

	analysed by category, was as follows	Number of e	mployees
		2012	2011
	Care staff	334 65	294
	Management and administration		50
		399	344
	The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows		
		2012	2011
		£000	£000
	Wages and salaries	7,654	6,666
	Social security costs	680	586
	Other pension costs	72	71
		8,406	7,323
6	Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before taxation		
		2012	2011
		£000	£000
	Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging/(crediting)		
	Auditor's remuneration in respect of the audit of these financial statements	30	13
	Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	608	777
	Profit on disposal of assets held for resale	(26)	-
	Amortisation of intangible assets Impairment of intangible assets	391	90 22
	Rentals payable under operating leases	-	22
	Land and buildings	33	221

7 Taxation

	2012 £000	2011 £000
UK corporation tax at 25% (2011 27%) Adjustments in respect of prior periods	45 (45)	(149) (27)
Deferred tax Origination and reversal of timing differences	95	(176) (65)
Effect of decreased tax rate on opening liability Adjustments in respect of prior periods	(25) (110)	(33) (44)
Tax on profit/(loss) on ordinary activities	(40)	(318)

Current tax reconciliation

The differences between the tax assessed for the year and the standard rate of corporation tax are explained as follows

	2012 £000	2011 £000
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before tax	2,469	(1,464)
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax 25% (2011 27%)	617	(395)
Control allowances for period in excess of		
Capital allowances for period in excess of depreciation	18	139
Goodwill amortisation	98	24
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Capitalised revenue expenditure allowable on	66	183
accounts basis	(14)	(7)
Capitalised revenue expenditure	`(8)	(16)
Loss on disposal of assets held for sale	(7)	`20
Non taxable dividend income	(731)	(94)
Impairment	-	6
Capitalised interest	(37)	(9)
Dilapidation provisions utilised	(44)	-
Group relief	42	-
Amounts arising from hive up	45	-
Adjustments in respect of prior periods	(45)	(27)
Current tax charge/(credit) for year	•	(176)

7 Taxation (continued)

Factors that may affect future tax charges

A reduction in the UK corporation tax rate from 26% to 25% (effective from 1 April 2012) was substantively enacted on 5 July 2011, and further reductions to 24% (effective from 1 April 2012) and 23% (effective from 1 April 2013) were substantively enacted on 26 March 2012 and 3 July 2012 respectively. This will reduce the company's future current tax charge accordingly. The deferred tax liability at 30 September 2012 has been calculated based on the rate of 23% substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

The March 2013 Budget announced that the rate will further reduce to 20% by 2015 in addition to the planned reduction to 21% by 2014 previously announced in the December 2012 Autumn Statement. It has not yet been possible to quantify the full anticipated effect of the announced further 3% rate reduction, although this will further reduce the company's future current tax charge and reduce the company's deferred tax liability accordingly

8 Intangible assets

	Total £000
Cost At 1 October 2011 Amounts arising from hive up (see note 10)	1,814 5,826
At 30 September 2012	7,640
Accumulated amortisation and provision for impairment At 1 October 2011 Amortisation charge for year	1,100 391
At 30 September 2012	1,491
Net book value At 30 September 2012	6,149
At 1 October 2011	714

Intangible assets represent purchase goodwill related to acquisitions completed on or after 1 October 1998

In the year ended 30 September 2012 the trade and net assets of subsidiary undertakings (see note 10) were transferred to the company at their book value. The cost of the company's investment in the subsidiary undertakings reflected the underlying fair value of their net assets at the time of acquisition. As a result of this transfer, the value of the company's investment in those subsidiary undertakings fell below the amount at which they were stated in the company's accounting records. The Companies Act 2006 requires that the investments be written down accordingly and that the amount be charged as a loss in the company's profit and loss account

However, the directors consider that, as there has been no overall loss to the company, it would fail to give a true and fair view to charge that diminution to the company's profit and loss account for the year and it should instead be reallocated to goodwill, so as to recognise in the company's individual balance sheet the effective cost to the company of those assets. This departure has no impact on the company's profit for the financial year other than to increase the amortisation charge by £303,000.

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Assets in course of construction	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Cost				
At 1 October 2011	10,918	2,610	1,033	14,561
Additions	118	408	4,455	4,981
Transfer to/from AICC Transfers from fellow group	3,094	339	(3,433)	-
subsidiaries	5,781	658	-	6,439
Disposals	(911)	-	-	(911)
At 30 September 2012	19,000	4,015	2,055	25,070
Depreciation				
At 1 October 2011	1,210	1,890	-	3,100
Charge for year	320	288	•	608
Transfers from fellow group				
subsidiaries	102	434	_	536
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 30 September 2012	1,632	2,612	-	4,244
Net book value				
At 30 September 2012	17,368	1,403	2,055	20,826
At 1 October 2011	9,708	720	1,033	11,461

Land and buildings include depreciable assets with an original cost of £11,536,000 (2011 £5,902,000) and capitalised interest of £409,000 (2011 £260,000)

10 Investments

	Investments in subsidiary undertakings £000
Cost	
At 1 October 2011	13,357
Amounts arising from hive up (see note below)	(6,635)
At 30 September 2012	6,722
Provision for impairment	
At 1 October 2011	789
Amounts arising from hive up (see note below)	(789)
At 30 September 2012	-
Net book value	
At 30 September 2012	6,722
At 1 October 2011	12,568

The following subsidiary, which is incorporated in England and Wales and operates in the United Kingdom, has been included in the consolidated financial statements of Care UK Limited and is directly held by the holding company

Subsidiary	Class of share capital held	Effective holding percentage	Nature of business
Nexvale Limited	Ordinary	100%	Treatment of acute eating disorders

The company formed a joint venture company called Care UK - Trent Mental Health Partnerships Limited with Trent CBT Services Limited on 9 August 2010 The company and Trent CBT Services Limited each own 50% of the ordinary share capital of the joint venture company and each have equal voting rights The joint venture commenced trading on 27 May 2011

On 1 January 2012, the trade and assets of two subsidiaries, Park Villa Limited and Generis Limited, were transferred into the company at net book values of £162,000 and £563,000 respectively. On 1 April 2012, the trade and assets of another subsidiary, Althea Park Limited, were transferred into the company at net book value of £279,000. As a result of these transfers, the excess of the investment held in these subsidiaries over their remaining net assets has been transferred to Goodwill (see note 8).

11 Stocks

	2012 £000	2011 £000
Raw materials and consumables Assets held for resale	6 1,400	6 2,615
	1,406	2,621
12 Debtors		
	2012 £000	2011 £000
Trade debtors Amounts owed by group undertakings Corporation tax Other debtors	214 980 - 183	479 2,521 149 232
Prepayments and accrued income	157	113
13 Creditors amounts falling due within one year	1,534 ———	3,494
	2012 £000	2011 £000
Trade creditors Amounts owed to group undertakings Other taxes and social security costs Corporation tax Other creditors, accruals and deferred income Deferred consideration	195 100 259 45 1,273 5,500	259 404 282 1,888 5,244
	7,372	8,077

The amounts owed to group undertakings are unsecured, repayable on demand and carry no interest charge

14 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2012 £000	2011 £000
Amounts owed to group undertakings	27,534	23,868
		-

The amounts owed to group undertakings bear interest at the fixed rate of 7.5% (2011 9.75%). The loan is unsecured. The amounts advanced are repayable in full by 31 January 2015. The company may, at its discretion, make repayments on account of the principal amounts outstanding. Any capital not paid by 31 January 2015 shall immediately generate interest at the rate of 5.0% over the interest rate then in force.

15 Deferred taxation

	2012 £000	2011 £000
Accelerated capital allowances Other short term timing differences	159 116	248 61
Undiscounted deferred tax provision	275	309
At 1 October Charged/(credited) to profit and toss account – current year Credited to profit and loss account – prior year Effect of decreased tax rate on opening liability Movement arising from the acquisition of businesses	309 95 (110) (25) 6	451 (65) (44) (33)
At 30 September	275	309
16 Share capital		
Allotted, called up and fully paid 100 (2011 100) ordinary shares of £1 each	2012 £ 100	2011 £ 100
17 Profit and loss account	2012 £000	2011 £000
At beginning of the year	1,022	2,168
Profit/(loss) for the financial year	2,509	(1,146)
At end of the year	3,531	1,022

18 Reconciliation of movement in shareholders' funds

	2012 £000	2011 £000
At beginning of the year	1,022	2,168
Profit/(loss) for the financial year	2,509	(1,146)
At end of the year	3,531	1,022

19 Commitments under operating leases

Annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows

		Land and buildings 2012 £000	Land and buildings 2011 £000
	Operating leases which expire After more than five years	12	179
20	Capital commitments		
		2012 £000	2011 £000
	Contracted for, but not provided	1,725	2,186
			

21 Pension commitments

a) Defined contribution scheme

The Care UK Limited group has an HM Revenue & Customs approved defined contributions group pension plan. Contributions to this scheme are charged to the profit and loss account evenly throughout the year. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the group in an independently administered fund. The pension cost for the year represents contributions payable by the company to the fund and amounted to £72,000 (2011 £71,000)

b) Defined benefit scheme

The company also participates in a group pension scheme providing benefits based on final pensionable pay, the Care UK LG pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company being invested with insurance companies. Contributions to the scheme are charged to the profit and loss account so as to spread the cost of pensions over the employees' working lives with the company.

Because the company is unable to identify its share of the group scheme assets and liabilities on a consistent and reasonable, as permitted by FRS 17 'Retirement benefits' the scheme will be accounted for by the company as if the scheme was a defined contribution scheme

The latest full actuarial valuation was carried out at 1 April 2009 Further information is available in the Care UK Limited group financial statements

22 Contingent Liabilities

The company has an unsecured loan from its immediate parent undertaking, Care UK Limited The loan is repayable by the borrower in full by 31 January 2015. Interest is payable on the amount of the advance outstanding at a rate above LIBOR agreed between the parties.

In addition the company is a guarantor to the funding arrangements disclosed in the financial statements of Care UK Health and Social Care Investments Limited - please refer to those financial statements for full details, a brief summary of which is given below

i) Senior Secured Notes

In July 2010 Care UK Health & Social Care Plc (the Issuer) issued £250 million 9.75% Senior Secured Notes. Interest is payable semi-annually in arrears on 1 February and 1 August

The Senior Secured Notes will mature on 1 August 2017 Prior to 1 August 2014, the Senior Secured Notes may be redeemed in whole or in part at any time by paying a "make-whole" premium. The Senior Secured Notes may be redeemed in whole or in part at any time on or after 1 August 2014 at the redemption prices set forth in the Offering Memorandum. In addition, prior to 1 August 2013, the Issuer may redeem at its option up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the Senior Secured Notes with the net proceeds from certain equity offerings at the redemption price set forth in this Offering Memorandum. The Issuer may redeem all of its Senior Secured Notes, at any time, at a price equal to their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, upon the occurrence of certain changes in applicable tax law. If the Issuer sells certain of its assets in some circumstances or experiences a specific kind of change in control, it may be required to offer to repurchase the Senior Secured Notes at a redemption price equal to 100% or 101% respectively, of the principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of redemption

The Senior Secured Notes are guaranteed on a senior secured basis by each of Care UK Health & Social Care Investments Limited, Care UK Limited, and certain of the Issuer's other operating subsidiaries

ii) Super Senior Revolving Credit Facility

As at 30 September 2012 the group had an £80 million Super Senior Revolving Credit Facility (the "RCF"), which expires on 13 July 2016. The margin payable on the outstanding loan is in the range of 2.5% to 4.0% above LIBOR plus any mandatory costs depending on the total net leverage of the group. Each utilisation under the facility is repayable and capable of being redrawn at the end of each interest period. The final repayment date is 13 July 2016.

As at 30 September 2012, £11 9m (2011 £nil) of the RCF has been utilised as cash drawings. The remainder of the facility remained undrawn, with the exception of £14 6m (2011 £17 0m) utilised in relation to performance bonds and £0 5m (2011 £0 5m) in relation to other ancillary utilisations.

23 Post balance sheet event

On 1 November 2012 the trade and assets of Nexvale Limited, a subsidiary of the company, were transferred to the company at a net book value of £1,343,000

24 Ultimate Parent and Controlling Party

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Care UK Limited, which is registered in England and Wales

The company's ultimate parent company and controlling party is Care UK Health and Social Care Holdings Limited, which is registered in England and Wales and prepares group financial statements

Copies of the financial statements of Care UK Health and Social Care Holdings Limited, which include the consolidated results of this company, are available from its registered office at Connaught House, 850 The Crescent, Colchester Business Park, Colchester, Essex, CO4 9QB