# Archerlane

Strategic Report, Directors' Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2021



# Directors and advisors

# **Directors**

Pierre Jacqmarcq Dorai Subramanian

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# Strategic report for the year ended 31 December 2021

The directors present their strategic report on Archerlane (the "company") for the year ended 31 December 2021.

# **Business Review**

The company formerly carried out business in the leasing of property. The company had no activity during the year ended 31 December 2021 (2020: none).

The directors consider the financial position at the year-end to be satisfactory. No significant change is anticipated to the company's principal business activity.

As at 31 December 2021 the company had total assets of £200,000 (2020: £200,000).

# Principal risks and uncertainties

From the perspective of the company, the principal risks and uncertainties are integrated with the principal risks of Crédit Agricole S.A. and are not managed separately. Accordingly, the principal risks and uncertainties of Crédit Agricole S.A. which include those of the company are discussed in its financial statements and can be obtained from the address given in Note 10.

# Strategy and future development

There is no current plan for the company to change its strategy and business model. The directors have no intention to wind up the company in the foreseeable future.

# Key performance indicators

Given the straight forward nature of the business and the information provided elsewhere in this report, the directors are of the opinion that the production of KPIs is not necessary for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business.

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

Pierre Jacqmarcq Director

26th July 2022

# Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2021

The directors present their report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

### Going concern

The company's directors have made an assessment of the company's ability to continue as a going concern and are satisfied that the company has the resources to continue in business for the foreseeable future. Furthermore, the directors are aware that the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic is expected to affect an array of economic factors but, due to the nature of the entity, there is no impact. Similarly, the continuing situation in Ukraine and Russia has been analysed and currently possess no negative impact on the company. Therefore, the financial statements continue to be prepared on the going concern basis.

### Results

The company did not trade during the year or the preceding year and made neither a profit nor a loss. There were also no other recognised gains and losses for the current financial year or the preceding financial year.

# Future development

The future development of the company is referred to in the strategic report.

# Directors and their interests

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

Pierre Jacqmarcq Dorai Subramanian

# 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.

# Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the financial statements

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulation.

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, 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;
- 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;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

# Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2021

# Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the financial statements (continued)

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 enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006.

# Directors' confirmations

In the case of each director in office at the date the directors' report is approved:

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

# Independent auditors

The company's incumbent auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, have indicated their willingness to continue in office and are deemed reappointed in the next financial year.

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

Pierre Jacqmarcq

Director

26th July 2022

# Independent auditors' report to the members of Archerlane

# Report on the audit of the financial statements

# Opinion

In our opinion, Archerlane's financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2021 and of its result for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared 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); and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the financial statements, included within the Strategic Report, Directors' Report and Financial Statements (the "Annual Report"), which comprise: the balance sheet as at 31 December 2021; the profit and loss account, 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.

# Independent auditors' report to the members of Archerlane (continued)

# 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 December 2021 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 liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

# Independent auditors' report to the members of Archerlane (continued)

## 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 Companies Act 2006, and we considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the financial statements. 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 the potential for fraudulent posting of journals. Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

- For the material financial statement line items, agreeing intercompany transactions to the intercompany matrix and tracing share capital back to the share register.
- Auditing the risk of management override of controls, including through substantive testing of all material financial statement line items and testing any adjustments for appropriateness.

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.

# Independent auditors' report to the members of Archerlane (continued)

# 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.

Sarah Hayman (Senior Statutory Auditor)

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for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors

London

27 July 2022

# Profit & Loss account for the year ended 31 December 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
Results for the year		_

Results for the year – The company did not trade during the year 2021 (or the preceding year 2020) and consequently made neither a profit nor a loss. There were also no other recognised gains and losses for the current financial year or the preceding financial year.

# Statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
Profit/(loss) for the financial year	-	-
Total comprehensive income / (expense) for the year	· <u>-</u>	

# Balance sheet as at 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Current assets		•	
Debtors	6	200,000	200,000
Total assets	_	200,000	200,000
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	7 _	200,000	200,000
Total shareholders' funds		200,000	200,000

There have been no movements in the shareholders' funds and therefore no reconciliation has been provided.

The notes on pages 12 to 14 form an integral part of the financial statements.

The financial statements on pages 9 to 14 were approved by the Board of Directors on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

Pierre Jacqmarcq

Director

26th July 2022

# Statement of changes in equity for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Called up share capital	. Profit and loss account	Total shareholders' funds/(deficit)
	£	£	£
Balance as at 1 January 2020	200,000	-	200,000
Profit and total comprehensive income for the year	-		-
Balance as at 31 December 2020	200,000	-	200,000
Balance as at 1 January 2021	200,000	-	200,000
Profit and total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-
Balance as at 31 December 2021	200,000	-	200,000

# Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

### 1. General information

The company had no activity during the year ended 31 December 2021.

The company is an unlimited company and is incorporated and domiciled in England. The address of its registered office is Broadwalk House, 5 Appold Street, London EC2A 2DA

# 2. Statement of compliance

The individual financial statements of Archerlane have been prepared in compliance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland' (FRS 102') and the Companies Act 2006.

# 3. Summary of significant accounting policies

The principal accounting policies, which have been applied consistently throughout the year, are set out below.

## (a) Basis of preparation

These financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis, under the historical cost convention.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with FRS 102 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the company's accounting policies.

# (b) Exemptions for qualifying entities under FRS 102

The company has taken advantage of the exemption, under FRS 102 paragraph 1.12(b), from preparing a statement of cash flows, on the basis that it is a qualifying entity and its ultimate parent company Crédit Agricole S.A., includes the company's cash flows in its own consolidated financial statements.

# (c) Foreign currency

Functional and presentation currency

The company's functional and presentation currency is the pound sterling.

### (d) Deferred taxation

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events have occurred at that date that will result in an obligation to pay more, or a right to pay less or to receive more, tax.

Deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent the directors consider it is more likely than not that there would be suitable taxable profit from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted.

Deferred tax is measured on an undiscounted basis at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which timing differences reverse, based on tax rates and laws enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

# (e) Debtors and impairment

The company has chosen to adopt the sections 11 and 12 of FRS 102 in respect of financial instruments.

Basic financial assets, including trade and other receivables, cash at bank balances and investments in commercial paper, are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Such assets are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method. At the end of each reporting period financial assets measured at amortised cost are assessed for objective evidence of impairment. If an asset is impaired the impairment loss is the difference between the carrying amount and the present value of the estimated cash flows discounted at the assets original effective interest rate. The impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

# Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

If there is a decrease in the impairment loss arising from an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the impairment is reversed. The reversal is such that the current carrying amount does not exceed what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised. The impairment reversal is recognised in profit or loss.

# 4. Critical accounting judgements and estimation uncertainty

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

In the view of the Directors there are no critical accounting judgements or estimates.

#### 5 Results

The company has not traded in the current or prior year, as recognised in the profit and loss account.

# 6. Directors, employees and auditors

The company had no employees (2020: None).

The directors did not receive any remuneration in respect of their services to the company during the year (2020: £Nil).

The auditors' remuneration in the current and prior year for the statutory audit of the company's financial statements (2021: £3,393; 2020: £3,231) was borne by the London Branch of the company's intermediate parent company Credit Agricole CIB.

# 7. Debtors

		2021	2020
		£	£
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	200,000	200,000
8.	Called up share capital		
		. 2021 £	2020 £
	Authorised		100.000
	100,000 (2020: 100,000) ordinary shares of £1 each 100,000 (2020: 100,000) "A" ordinary shares of £1 each 59,800,000 (2020: 59,800,000) 10% non-cumulative redeemable	100,000 100,000	100,000
	preference shares of £1 each 23,500,000 (2020: 23,500,000) 5% non-cumulative redeemable "A"	59,800,000	59,800,000
	Preference shares of £1 each	23,500,000	23,500,000
		83,500,000	83,500,000
•	Allotted and fully paid up		
	100,000 (2020: 100,000) ordinary shares of £1 each	100,000	100,000
	100,000 (2020: 100,000) "A" ordinary shares of £1 each	100,000	100,000
		200,000	200,000

# Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

# Summary of Rights and Restrictions attaching to each class of share

# Rights to Dividends

Ordinary and "A" ordinary shareholders are entitled to receive a fixed non-cumulative dividend at a rate of 12% and 3% respectively. Should the company not have sufficient distributable profits to pay the dividends, then a dividend shall be paid pro rata on the basis that the holders of ordinary shares receive four times as much of the profits as holders of the "A" ordinary shares.

### Voting Rights

- i) Holders of "A" ordinary shares have one vote for each share held
- ii) Holders of ordinary shares have four votes for each share held

### Winding Up

On the winding up (or any other return of capital) the assets of the company available for distribution among the members shall be applied as follows: 80% thereof to the holders of the ordinary shares and 20% to the holders of the "A" ordinary shares.

### 9. Deferred tax

The UK corporation tax rate used by the company to compute the deferred tax asset at 31 December 2021 is 25% (2020: 19%). This is the average enacted or substantively enacted rate that is expected to apply when the deferred tax asset is settled.

The company has not recognised a deferred tax asset in respect of its capital losses of £35.8m (2020: £35.8m) as it does not expect to have future taxable gains against which the losses could be offset.

The value not recognised as at 31 December 2021 was £8.95m at the 25% tax rate then in force (2020: £6.8m at 19%).

# 10. Related party transactions

The company is exempt from disclosing related party transactions under FRS 102 as they are with other companies that are wholly owned within the Group.

# 11. Controlling parties

The immediate parent undertaking is Credit Agricole CIB Holdings Limited.

The ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is Crédit Agricole S.A., a company incorporated in France.

Crédit Agricole S.A. is the parent undertaking of the largest group of undertakings to consolidate these financial statements at 31 December 2021. The consolidated financial statements of Crédit Agricole S.A. are available from 12 place des États-Unis, 92545 Montrouge Cedex, France.

Crédit Agricole CIB S.A. is the parent undertaking of the smallest group of undertakings to consolidate these financial statements. The consolidated financial statements of Crédit Agricole CIB S.A. can be obtained from 12, place des Etats-Unis, CS 70052, 92547 Montrouge Cedex, France.