**Directors' Report and Financial Statements** 

**31 December 2015** 

Registered number 02718762



## **Directors' Report and Financial Statements**

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#### **Directors' Report**

The Directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015.

#### **Principal Activities**

The principal activity of the Company is to licence the use of photographic images.

#### **Business Review**

During the year the Company made a profit before tax of £167,460 (2014: £191,619) and the profit after tax for the year was £132,829 (2014: £150,334) as detailed on page 4.

The Directors are satisfied with the net asset position of £1,292,413 (2014: £1,159,584).

#### Dividends

The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2014: £nil).

#### **Directors**

The Directors who held office during the year and at the date of this report are:

C E Clayton-Jones – resigned 22/04/2016 M A N Wilson – resigned 29/02/2016 A C Falconer – appointed 12/04/2016 I R Collins – appointed 21/04/2016

#### 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 appointment**

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

#### **Strategic Report**

The Company is defined as small as per the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and therefore has applied the exemption to prepare a Strategic Report.

By Order of the Board

A C Falconer Company Secretary

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## 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), including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and 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.

#### Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Christie's Images Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Christie's Images Limited for the year ended 31 December 2015 set out on pages 4 to 10. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and UK Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland).

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 2, 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 (APB'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 website at <a href="https://www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate">www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate</a>.

#### **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 31 December 2015 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; or
- the directors were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

**Hugh Green (Senior Statutory Auditor)** 

for and on behalf of KPMG LLP, Statutory Auditor

Chartered Accountants 15 Canada Square

London

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United Kingdom

Company number: 02718762

Date: 21 July 206

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## Profit and Loss Account For the year ended 31 December 2015

	Note	2015	2014
		£	£
Turnover	1	345,847	337,834
Administration expenses		(178,387)	(146,215)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	2	167,460	191,619
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	5	(34,631)	(41,285)
Profit for the financial year		132,829	150,334

The notes to the accounts on pages 6 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

The Company had no other comprehensive income other than the result for this and the last financial year. Accordingly a statement of other comprehensive income has not been prepared.

# Balance Sheet As at 31 December 2015

	Note	20	15	201	14
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	6		104,436		152,382
Current assets					
Debtors	7	22,645		18,286	
Cash at bank and in hand		1,260,765		1,096,111	
		1,283,410	-	1,114,397	•
Current Liabilities		. ,			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	8	(95,433)	· .	(107,195)	
Net current assets			1,187,977		1,007,202
Net assets		•	1,292,413		1,159,584
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	9		2		2
Profit and loss account	10		1,292,411		1,159,582
Equity shareholders' funds	11		1,292,413		1,159,584

The notes to the accounts on pages 6 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 15 July 2016 and were signed on its behalf by:

Director

IAN COLLINS

Company number: 02718762

#### Notes to the Accounts

#### 1 Accounting policies

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

#### **Basis of accounting**

These financial statements 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.

In the transition to FRS 102 from old UK GAAP, the Company has made no measurement and recognition adjustments. The accounting policies set out below have, unless otherwise stated, been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements.

The Company's ultimate parent undertaking, Financière Pinault SCA includes the Company in its consolidated financial statements. The consolidated financial statements of Financière Pinault SCA are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU and are available to the public and may be obtained from the Tribunal de Commerce de Paris, 1, Quai de Corse, 75004 Paris. In these financial statements, the company is considered to be a qualifying entity (for the purposes of this FRS) and has applied the exemptions available under FRS 102 in respect of the following disclosures:

- Reconciliation of the number of shares outstanding from the beginning to end of the period;
- Cash Flow Statement and related notes; and
- Key Management Personnel compensation.

The Company's shareholder has been notified in writing about, and have not objected to the exceptions.

#### Going concern

The Company participates in the Group's centralised treasury arrangements and so shares banking arrangements with its subsidiaries. These arrangements ensure adequate management of cash flows around the group.

The Group has considerable financial resources and as a consequence, the Directors believe that the Group is well placed to manage its business risks. The Directors have a reasonable expectation that the Group has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

On this basis, and on their assessment of the Company's financial position, the Company's directors have a reasonable expectation that the company will be able to continue in existence for the foreseeable future. The Directors therefore continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

#### Foreign currency

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction; balances payable or receivable at the balance sheet date are translated at the rates of exchange ruling at that date. Exchange rate differences on settlement are taken into account in arriving at the operating profit.

#### **Notes to the Accounts (continued)**

#### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

#### Fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures & Fittings

- 10% straight line

Computer Equipment - 25% straight line

#### Taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the result for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes. Deferred taxation 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 102 "Income Tax".

#### **Turnover**

All turnover relates to United Kingdom activities. Turnover is recognised on delivery of services, (net of any sales tax) and represents the amounts receivable in respect of income for the use of photographic images.

#### 2 Profit on ordinary activities before taxation

Profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging:

	2015 £	2014 £
Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible assets.  Fees paid to the Company's auditor for the audit of the	66,866	64,493
Company's annual accounts	5,951	5,949

#### 3 Remuneration of Directors

The Directors did not receive any emoluments in respect of their services for this company during the year (2014: nil).

#### 4 Staff numbers and costs

The average number of persons employed by the Company (including directors) during the year was one (2014: one).

2014

2015

The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:

	2015	2014
	£	£
Wages & salaries	36,631	30,824
Social security costs	3,978	3,113
·	40,609	33,937

#### **Notes to the Accounts (continued)**

#### 5 Tax on profit on ordinary activities

a) Analysis of charge in period		
	2015	2014
	£	£
UK Corporation tax		
Current tax on profit for the year	39,941	45,855
Total Current Tax	39,941	45,855
Deferred Tax (see note 7)		
Reversal of timing differences	(5,310)	(4,570)
Total Deferred Tax	(5,310)	(4,570)
Tax charge on profit on ordinary activities	34,631	41,285

#### b) Factors affecting the tax charge for the current period

The current tax charge (2014: charge) for the period is higher (2014: higher) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK 20.25% (2014: 21.5%). The differences are explained below.

	2015	2014
	£	£
Tax reconciliation		
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	167,460	191,619
Current tax at 20.25% (2014: 21.5%)	33,911	41,198
Effects of: Reduction in tax rate on deferred tax balances	720	464
Adjustments in respect of prior periods	-	(377)
Total tax charge (see note 5a)	34,631	41,285

#### **Notes to the Accounts (continued)**

#### 6 Tangible assets

Furniture, Computer fixtures and Equipment fittings and Software	Total
£	£
Cost	
At 1 January 2015 39,790 272,689	312,479
Additions - 18,920	18,920
At 31 December 2015 39,790 291,609	331,399
Depreciation	
At 1 January 2015 18,824 141,273	160,097
Charge for the year 3,907 62,959	66,866
At 31 December 2015 22,731 204,232	226,963
Net book value	
At 31 December 2015 17,059 87,377	104,436
At 31 December 2014 20,966 131,416	152,382

### 7 Debtors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2015 £	2014 £
Trade debtors	5,776	7,723
Deferred tax	12,259	6,949
Prepayments and accrued income	4,610	3,614
	22,645	18,286

The deferred tax asset is in respect of timing differences between accumulated depreciation and capital allowances.

#### 8 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2015	2014
	£	£
Amounts owed to group undertakings	61,813	95,160
Accruals and deferred income	33,620	12,035
•	95,433	107,195

#### **Notes to the Accounts (continued)**

2015	2014
£	£

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#### 10 Reserves

	Profit and loss account £
As at 1 January 2015	1,159,582
Profit for the financial year	132,829
As at 31 December 2015	1,292,411

#### 11 Reconciliation of movements in shareholder's funds

Allotted, called up and fully paid

2 ordinary shares of £1 each

	2015 £	2014 £
Profit for the financial year	132,829	150,334
Shareholder's funds at beginning of year	1,159,584	1,009,250
Shareholder's funds at end of year	1,292,413	1,159,584

#### 12 Contingent liability

The Company participates in an omnibus letter of set-off arrangement in respect of the overdraft of certain fellow United Kingdom group companies.

#### 13 Ultimate parent undertaking

The smallest and largest group in which the results of Christie's Images Limited are included is Financière Pinault SCA, a company incorporated in France and also the ultimate parent company of Christie's Images Limited. The immediate parent undertaking is Christie's International plc which is incorporated in England & Wales.

The consolidated accounts of Financière Pinault SCA will be filed with the Tribunal de Commerce de Paris, 1, Quai de Corse, 75004 Paris.