

**The OxFORD Asset Management Company Limited**

Report And Financial Statements

*31 March 2021*

COMPANY INFORMATION

Directors	Dr A Stern E Coates
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**GROUP STRATEGIC REPORT**  
**For the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

**Introduction**

The OxFORD Group (the "Group") comprises The OxFORD Asset Management Company Limited (the "Company") and OxFORD Asset Management LLP (the "LLP"). The Company is the holding company and managing member of, and also provides services to, the LLP. The principal activity of the LLP is to provide investment advisory services to OxFORD Logismos Fund Limited and OxFORD Epilego Fund Limited. It had previously provided investment advisory services to OxAM Quant Fund Limited.

The sole shareholder of the Company is also a director of the Company who is actively involved in its management. As a result, he is conversant with the performance and financial position of the business and, consequently, only limited details are provided in this review.

**Business review**

In March 2020, the decision was taken to liquidate OxAM Quant Fund Limited and to return monies to investors. That took place in several tranches over the course of the following months. In the meantime, the Group conducted a review of its operations and reduced the number of staff and re-focused its attention on advising new funds, the first of which was launched in July 2020.

**Future developments**

The Group will continue to focus on the development of its advisory mandate to new funds with a view to commencing marketing activity when conditions faced by the Group are considered appropriate.

**Principal risks and uncertainties**

The directors recognise the major challenges faced by the Group as it begins to advise new funds at a time of significant economic uncertainty. The Group will require additional capital in the forthcoming period to support the business during the start-up phase of the new funds which the shareholder is committed to providing.

**Key Performance Indicators**

The Group considers a number of financial indicators in judging its performance including assets under management, returns and fees generated and cost levels.

The Group recognises that its prospects and performance cannot be measured solely by reference to financial indicators. While non-financial measures are typically more subjective in nature, the directors consider such aspects as the effectiveness of the staff who deliver the Group's research efforts, the impact of the changing economic and regulatory environment on the Group's business and the nature and composition of investors in the funds it manages

**GROUP STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED)**

**For the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

**Directors' statement of compliance with duty to promote the success of the Group**

The directors' focus is on the long-term success of the Group. They consider that this depends on delivering consistent strong performance for the funds it advises for the benefit of their investors while maintaining a reputation for operating with high standards of business conduct. This requires the Group to maintain a first class team of committed employees working with state of the art infrastructure supported by input from a range of professional industry service providers and other suppliers. Key to this is building long term relationships with all parties involved with the Group. Success in this objective is seen as benefitting both the Group and its employees.

This report was approved by the board on 10 December 2021 and signed on its behalf.

**Dr A Stern**

Director

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

**For the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

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

### **Directors' responsibilities statement**

The directors are responsible for preparing the Group Strategic Report, the Directors' Report and the consolidated 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 elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 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 the Group and of the profit or loss of the Group for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies for the Group's financial statements and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Group 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 the Group and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and the Group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

### **Results and dividends**

The profit for the year, after taxation and minority interests, amounted to £1,061,957 (2020 - £141,003).

The directors have not recommended a dividend to the shareholders in respect of the year ended 31 March 2021 (2020: £nil)

### **Directors**

The directors who served during the year were:

Dr A Stern

E Coates (appointed 30 September 2020)

M Byman (resigned 13 November 2020)

### **Future developments**

Information on the Group's future developments is given in the Group Strategic Report.

### **Engagement with suppliers, customers and others**

Information on the Group's engagement with suppliers, customers and others is given in the Group Strategic Report.

**DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)**  
**For the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

**Disclosure of information to auditors**

Each of the persons who are directors at the time when this Directors' Report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company and the Group's auditors are unaware, and
- the director 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 and the Group's auditors are aware of that information.

**Auditors**

The auditors, Blick Rothenberg Audit LLP, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the board on 10 December 2021 and signed on its behalf.

Dr A Stern  
Director

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF  
THE OXFORD ASSET MANAGEMENT COMPANY LIMITED**

**Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of The OxFORD Asset Management Company Limited (the 'parent Company') and its subsidiaries (the 'Group') for the year ended 31 March 2021, which comprise the Group Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Group and Company Balance Sheets, the Group and Company Statement of Changes in Equity, the Group Statement of Cash Flows, and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Group's and of the parent Company's affairs as at 31 March 2021 and of the Group's loss for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

**Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

**Conclusions relating to going concern**

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

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the Group's or the parent 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.

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

**Other information**

The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our Auditors' Report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information contained within the Annual Report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF  
THE OXFORD ASSET MANAGEMENT COMPANY LIMITED (CONTINUED)**

**Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Group Strategic Report and the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Group Strategic Report and the Directors' Report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

**Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the Group and the parent Company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Group Strategic Report or the Directors' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

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

**Responsibilities of directors**

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 3, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the Group's and the parent 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 Group or the parent 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 Group 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:

We identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and then design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, including obtaining audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud, and noncompliance with laws and regulations, our procedures included the following: enquiring of the Directors and management concerning the Group's policies with regards identifying, evaluating and complying with laws and regulations and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance; enquiring of the Directors and management concerning the Group's policies detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud; enquiring of the Directors and management concerning the Group's policies in relation to the internal controls established to mitigate risks related to fraud or



**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF  
THE OXFORD ASSET MANAGEMENT COMPANY LIMITED (CONTINUED)**

non-compliance with laws and regulations; discussing among the engagement team where fraud might occur in the financial statements and any potential indicators of fraud; and obtaining an understanding of the legal and regulatory framework that the Group operates in and focusing on those laws and regulations that had a direct effect on the financial statements or that had a fundamental effect on the operations of the Group. The key laws and regulations we considered in this context included the UK Companies Act 2006, the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and applicable tax legislation.

One particular focus area was the risk of fraud through management override of controls. Our procedures to respond to risks identified included the following: performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud; reviewing the bank statements of the Group for evidence of any large or unusual activity which may be indicative of fraud; enquiring of management in relation to any potential litigation and claims; and testing the appropriateness of journal entries and other adjustments.

Another focus area was non-compliance with the rules of the Financial Conduct Authority ('the FCA'). The subsidiary (Oxford Asset Management LLP) was authorised and regulated by the FCA throughout the period. Our procedures to respond to risks identified included the following: reviewing correspondence between the LLP and the FCA, performing analytical review to detect receipts of client money and remaining alert to the possibility of accidental receipt of client monies; and discussion of regulatory matters with the appointed officers of the LLP.

There are inherent limitations in our audit procedures described above. The more removed that laws and regulations are from financial transactions, the less likely it is that we would become aware of non-compliance. Auditing standards also limit the audit procedures required to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations to enquiry of the directors and other management and the inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any.

Material misstatements that arise due to fraud can be harder to detect than those that arise from error as they may involve deliberate concealment or collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our Auditors' Report.

**Use of our report**

This report is made solely to the Company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an 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.

Philip Vipond (Senior Statutory Auditor)  
for and on behalf of  
**Blick Rothenberg Audit LLP**  
Chartered Accountants

Statutory Auditors

16 Great Queen Street  
London  
WC2B 5AH

13 December 2021

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**  
**For the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Turnover	4	-	30,306,651
<b>Gross profit</b>		-	30,306,651
Administrative expenses		(10,767,453)	(24,479,012)
Other operating income		30,340	-
<b>Operating (loss)/profit</b>	5	(10,737,113)	5,827,639
Decrease in fair value of investments		(126,353)	(1,258,546)
Interest receivable and similar income		2,618	11,595
Interest payable and similar expenses		(2,491)	-
<b>(Loss)/profit before taxation</b>		(10,863,339)	4,580,688
Tax on profit	7	1,061,932	(2,270,224)
<b>(Loss)/profit for the financial year</b>		<u>(9,801,407)</u>	<u>2,310,464</u>
<b>(Loss)/profit for the year attributable to:</b>			
Non-controlling interests		(10,863,364)	2,169,461
Owners of the parent Company		1,061,957	141,003
		<u>(9,801,407)</u>	<u>2,310,464</u>

The notes on pages 14 to 23 form part of these Financial Statements.

# CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 March 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	9	4,885,581	6,485,866
Investments	10	12,740	9,250,153
		<u>4,898,321</u>	<u>15,736,019</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	11	1,761,714	8,857,885
Cash at bank and in hand		5,732,087	20,740,998
		<u>7,493,801</u>	<u>29,598,883</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(3,705,204)	(17,389,152)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>3,788,597</u>	<u>12,209,731</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u><u>8,686,918</u></u>	<u><u>27,945,750</u></u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Called up share capital	13	220,800	220,800
Profit and loss account		7,342,811	6,280,854
<b>Equity attributable to owners of the parent Company</b>		<u>7,563,611</u>	<u>6,501,654</u>
Non-controlling interests		1,123,307	21,444,096
		<u><u>8,686,918</u></u>	<u><u>27,945,750</u></u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on 10 December 2021.

Dr A Stern  
Director

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**COMPANY BALANCE SHEET**

As at 31 March 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	9	4,885,581	6,485,866
Investments	10	12,741	9,250,154
		<u>4,898,322</u>	<u>15,736,020</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	11	3,752,583	9,319,921
Cash at bank and in hand		2,598,316	5,412,142
		<u>6,350,899</u>	<u>14,732,063</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(3,685,613)	(23,966,432)
<b>Net current assets/(liabilities)</b>		<u>2,665,286</u>	<u>(9,234,369)</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u><u>7,563,608</u></u>	<u><u>6,501,651</u></u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Called up share capital	13	220,800	220,800
Profit and loss account brought forward		6,280,851	6,139,848
Profit for the year		1,061,957	141,003
		<u>7,342,808</u>	<u>6,280,851</u>
Profit and loss account carried forward		<u><u>7,563,608</u></u>	<u><u>6,501,651</u></u>

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**Dr A Stern**

Director

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY**
**For the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

	Called up share capital	Profit and loss account	Equity attributable to owners of parent Company	Non-controlling interests	Total equity
	£	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2020	220,800	6,280,854	6,501,654	21,444,096	27,945,750
Loss for the year	-	1,061,957	1,061,957	(10,863,364)	(9,801,407)
Payments to minority interests	-	-	-	(9,457,425)	(9,457,425)
<b>At 31 March 2021</b>	<b>220,800</b>	<b>7,342,811</b>	<b>7,563,611</b>	<b>1,123,307</b>	<b>8,686,918</b>

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY**
**For the Year Ended 31 March 2020**

	Called up share capital	Profit and loss account	Equity attributable to owners of parent Company	Non-controlling interests	Total equity
	£	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2019	220,800	6,139,851	6,360,651	31,210,523	37,571,174
Profit for the year	-	141,003	141,003	2,169,461	2,310,464
Payments to minority interests	-	-	-	(11,935,888)	(11,935,888)
<b>At 31 March 2020</b>	<b>220,800</b>	<b>6,280,854</b>	<b>6,501,654</b>	<b>21,444,096</b>	<b>27,945,750</b>

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**COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY**

**For the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

	<b>Called up share capital</b>	<b>Profit and loss account</b>	<b>Total equity</b>
	£	£	£
At 1 April 2020	220,800	6,280,851	6,501,651
Profit for the year	-	1,061,957	1,061,957
<b>At 31 March 2021</b>	<b>220,800</b>	<b>7,342,808</b>	<b>7,563,608</b>

**COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY**

**For the Year Ended 31 March 2020**

	<b>Called up share capital</b>	<b>Profit and loss account</b>	<b>Total equity</b>
	£	£	£
At 1 April 2019	220,800	6,139,848	6,360,648
Profit for the year	-	141,003	141,003
<b>At 31 March 2020</b>	<b>220,800</b>	<b>6,280,851</b>	<b>6,501,651</b>

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**For the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

	2021 £	2020 £
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
(Loss)/profit for the financial year	(9,801,407)	2,310,464
<b>Adjustments for:</b>		
Depreciation of tangible assets	1,700,057	1,877,448
Loss on disposal of tangible assets	-	299
Interest payable and similar charges	2,491	-
Interest receivable and similar income	(2,618)	(11,595)
Taxation (credit)/charge	(1,061,932)	2,270,224
Decrease in debtors	8,081,804	1,157,421
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(13,632,275)	4,603,186
Net fair value losses recognised in P&L	126,353	223,623
Corporation tax received/(paid)	24,626	(264,666)
<b>Net cash generated from operating activities</b>	<b>(14,562,901)</b>	<b>12,166,404</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>		
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(99,772)	(1,317,809)
Purchase of unlisted and other investments	(12,740)	(1,732,019)
Sale of unlisted and other investments	9,123,800	247,938
Interest received	2,618	11,595
<b>Net cash from investing activities</b>	<b>9,013,906</b>	<b>(2,790,295)</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>		
Interest paid	(2,491)	-
Payments to non-controlling interests	(9,457,425)	(11,935,888)
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>	<b>(9,459,916)</b>	<b>(11,935,888)</b>
<b>Net (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>(15,008,911)</b>	<b>(2,559,779)</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	20,740,998	23,300,777
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of year</b>	<b>5,732,087</b>	<b>20,740,998</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of year comprise:</b>		
Cash at bank and in hand	5,732,087	20,740,998
	<b>5,732,087</b>	<b>20,740,998</b>

The notes on pages 14 to 23 form part of these financial statements.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**For the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

**1. General information**

The OxFORD Asset Management Company Limited is a private company incorporated in the United Kingdom and registered in England and Wales at OxAM House, 6 George Street, Oxford, OX1 2BW.

**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 (FRS) 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom 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 Company has taken advantage of the exemption allowed under section 408 of the Companies Act 2006 and has not presented its own Statement of Comprehensive Income in these Financial Statements.

The following accounting policies have been applied:

**2.2 Basis of consolidation**

The consolidated Financial Statements present the results of the Company and its own subsidiaries ("the Group") as if they form a single entity. Intercompany transactions and balances between group companies are therefore eliminated in full.

In accordance with the transitional exemption available in FRS 102, the group has chosen not to retrospectively apply the standard to business combinations that occurred before the date of transition to FRS 102.

**2.3 Going concern**

The directors have prepared forecasts which indicate that the business will require additional capital in order to support its operations and to meet the regulatory requirements of the FCA during the start-up period of the new funds which the Group advises. The shareholder has expressed his willingness to provide such additional funding as may be required to support the business for a period of at least twelve months from the date of signing of these financial statements.

**2.4 Revenue**

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group as a result of the work it has carried out for its clients and when those benefits can be reliably measured. Revenue is measured as the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, excluding discounts, rebates, value added tax.



## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Year Ended 31 March 2021

### 2. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 2.5 Tangible fixed 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.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method.

The estimated useful lives range as follows:

Equipment	- 3 years straight line
Fixtures & fittings	- 5 years straight line
Software	- 5 years straight line
Leasehold property	- Over the life of the lease

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.

#### 2.6 Valuation of investments

Investments in subsidiaries are measured at cost less accumulated impairment.

Other fixed asset investments are remeasured to market value, being the net asset value of the investment in the Fund, at each Balance Sheet date. Gains and losses on remeasurement are recognised in the Profit and Loss account for the period.

#### 2.7 Other financial instruments

The Group holds but does not actively trade in financial instruments. The financial instruments that it holds arise directly from operations. All trade and other debtors are initially recognised at transaction value, as none contain in substance a financing transaction. Thereafter trade and other debtors are reviewed for impairment where there is objective evidence based on observable data that the balance may be impaired. The Group does not hold collateral against its trade and other receivables so its exposure to credit risk is the net balance of trade and other debtors after allowance for impairment. The Group's cash holdings comprise on demand balances. All cash is held with banks with strong external credit ratings. Trade and other creditors and accruals are initially recognised at transaction value as none represent a financing transaction. They are only derecognised when they are extinguished. As the Group has primarily short term receivables and payables, its net current asset position is a reasonable measure of its liquidity at any given time.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**For the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

**2. Accounting policies (continued)**

**2.8 Foreign currency translation**

The Group's functional and presentational currency is the pound sterling.

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.

Exchange gains and losses are recognised in the Profit and Loss account.

**2.9 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.

**2.10 Operating leases**

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

**2.11 Pensions**

**Defined contribution pension plan**

The Group operates a defined contribution plan for its employees. A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the Group pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. Once the contributions have been paid the Group 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 Group in independently administered funds.

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### 2. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 2.12 Current and deferred taxation

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 and the Group operate and generate 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; and
- Any deferred tax balances are reversed if and when all conditions for retaining associated tax allowances have been met.

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.

#### 2.13 Share based compensation schemes

The Company operates two share based compensation schemes with its employees. Under the arrangements the Company invests an agreed amount in OxAM Quant Fund for a defined period. On vesting, the proceeds will be distributed to the employees under the terms of the agreements. Accordingly, the investment and the opposing liability to the employees are recognised in the balance sheet at market value. As the OxAM Quant Fund was liquidated during the year, the share-based compensation schemes were fully redeemed at the balance sheet date and all amounts had been distributed to employees.

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

The directors, as part of their annual review of the impairment of fixed assets, have used estimations and assumptions around the future size and nature of the Group to calculate any required impairment to the carrying value of the assets.

### 4. Turnover

The turnover and operating profit for the year was derived from the Group's principal continuing activity which was carried out wholly within the United Kingdom.

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**5. Operating (loss)/profit**

The operating (loss)/profit is stated after charging:

	2021 £	2020 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	1,700,058	1,877,448
Fees payable to the Group's auditor and its associates for the audit of the Company's annual Financial Statements	13,100	13,100
Fees payable to the Group's auditor and its associates for other services to the Group	20,000	20,000
Exchange differences	(39,877)	(17,520)
Land and buildings operating lease rentals	527,500	567,652
Defined contribution pension cost	<u>655,555</u>	<u>1,183,519</u>

**6. Employees**

Staff costs were as follows:

	Group 2021 £	Group 2020 £	Company 2021 £	Company 2020 £
Wages and salaries	4,623,044	14,037,076	4,623,044	14,037,076
Social security costs	497,703	1,953,643	497,703	1,953,643
Cost of defined contribution scheme	655,555	1,183,519	655,555	1,183,519
	<u>5,776,302</u>	<u>17,174,238</u>	<u>5,776,302</u>	<u>17,174,238</u>

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

	2021 No.	2020 No.
Number of administrative staff	61	82
Number of management staff	2	2
	<u>63</u>	<u>84</u>

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## 7. Taxation

	2021 £	2020 £
<b>Corporation tax</b>		
Current tax on profits for the year	-	595,071
Adjustments in respect of previous periods	(1,061,932)	(162,558)
	<u>(1,061,932)</u>	<u>432,513</u>
<b>Total current tax</b>	<u>(1,061,932)</u>	<u>432,513</u>
<b>Deferred tax</b>		
Deferred tax charge/(credit) for the year	-	1,837,711
	<u>(1,061,932)</u>	<u>2,270,224</u>
<b>Taxation on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities</b>		

### Factors affecting tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year differs from the standard rate of corporation tax in the United Kingdom of 19% (2020 - 19%). The differences are explained below:

	2021 £	2020 £
(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities before tax	<u>(10,863,339)</u>	<u>4,580,688</u>
(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2020 - 19%)	(2,064,034)	870,331
<b>Effects of:</b>		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	41,863	250,897
Capital allowances for year in excess of depreciation	164,946	(36,107)
Profits taxable on minority interest	2,064,039	(412,198)
Adjustments to tax charge in respect of prior periods	(1,061,932)	(162,558)
Short term timing difference leading to an increase (decrease) in taxation	(1,819,344)	1,759,859
Movement in losses	1,612,530	-
<b>Total tax charge for the year</b>	<u>(1,061,932)</u>	<u>2,270,224</u>

### Factors that may affect future tax charges

The Company has tax trading losses of £2,892,098 (2020: £nil). No deferred tax asset has been recognised in 2021 due to the unpredictability of the future profit streams.

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## 8. Parent company profit for the year

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption allowed under section 408 of the Companies Act 2006 and has not presented its own Statement of Comprehensive Income in these Financial Statements. The profit after tax of the parent Company for the year was £1,061,957 (2020 - £141,003).

## 9. Tangible fixed assets

### Group and Company

	S/Term Leasehold Property £	Fixtures & fittings £	Office equipment £	Computer equipment £	Total £
<b>Cost or valuation</b>					
At 1 April 2020	9,106,765	491,705	7,397,652	85,193	17,081,315
Additions	63,103	13,078	23,591	-	99,772
At 31 March 2021	9,169,868	504,783	7,421,243	85,193	17,181,087
<b>Depreciation</b>					
At 1 April 2020	4,186,649	463,621	5,859,986	85,193	10,595,449
Charge for the year on owned assets	846,216	13,821	840,020	-	1,700,057
At 31 March 2021	5,032,865	477,442	6,700,006	85,193	12,295,506
<b>Net book value</b>					
At 31 March 2021	4,137,003	27,341	721,237	-	4,885,581
<b>At 31 March 2020</b>	4,920,116	28,084	1,537,666	-	6,485,866

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## 10. Fixed asset investments

### Group

	Other fixed asset investments £
<b>Cost or valuation</b>	
At 1 April 2020	9,250,153
Additions	12,740
Disposals	(9,123,800)
Revaluations	(126,353)
At 31 March 2021	<u>12,740</u>

### Company

	Investments in subsidiary companies £	Other fixed asset investments £	Total £
<b>Cost or valuation</b>			
At 1 April 2020	1	9,250,153	9,250,154
Additions	-	12,740	12,740
Disposals	-	(9,123,800)	(9,123,800)
Revaluations	-	(126,353)	(126,353)
At 31 March 2021	<u>1</u>	<u>12,740</u>	<u>12,741</u>

Investments in subsidiary undertakings represents the Company's investment in 100% of a dormant subsidiary undertaking, OxAM Nominees Limited.

Other fixed asset investments as at 31 March 2020 represent amounts invested in the OxAM Quant Fund as part of a share based compensation arrangement with the Company's employees. The shares are held by the Company according to the terms of the arrangement. The proceeds on disposal of the investments will be payable to the employees and a liability equal to the value of the investment in the Fund (based on the Fund's net assets) at the balance sheet date has been included within accruals. During the year all amounts invested in the OxAM Quant Fund were redeemed and paid across to employees in accordance with the arrangement.

An investment was made by the Company during the year into the Oxford Logismos Fund which is included within other fixed asset investments as at 31 March 2021.

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## 11. Debtors

	<b>Group</b> <b>2021</b> £	<i>Group</i> <i>2020</i> £	<b>Company</b> <b>2021</b> £	<i>Company</i> <i>2020</i> £
Trade debtors	<b>3,097</b>	1,180,232	<b>3,097</b>	169,881
Amounts owed by group undertakings	-	-	<b>2,038,099</b>	8,207,737
Other debtors	<b>1,001,217</b>	7,005,473	<b>996,053</b>	306,270
Prepayments and accrued income	<b>757,400</b>	672,180	<b>715,334</b>	636,033
	<b><u>1,761,714</u></b>	<u>8,857,885</u>	<b><u>3,752,583</u></b>	<u>9,319,921</u>

## 12. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	<b>Group</b> <b>2021</b> £	<i>Group</i> <i>2020</i> £	<b>Company</b> <b>2021</b> £	<i>Company</i> <i>2020</i> £
Trade creditors	<b>289,264</b>	539,046	<b>288,823</b>	468,549
Amounts owed to group undertakings	-	-	-	6,700,000
Corporation tax	-	209,345	-	209,345
Other taxation and social security	<b>365,448</b>	269,215	<b>365,448</b>	269,215
Other creditors	<b>7,194</b>	4,471	<b>7,194</b>	4,471
Accruals and deferred income	<b>3,043,298</b>	16,367,075	<b>3,024,148</b>	16,314,852
	<b><u>3,705,204</u></b>	<u>17,389,152</u>	<b><u>3,685,613</u></b>	<u>23,966,432</u>

## 13. Share capital

	<b>2021</b> £	<b>2020</b> £
<b>Allotted, called up and fully paid</b>		
220,800 (2020 - 220,800) Ordinary shares shares of £1.00 each	<b><u>220,800</u></b>	<u>220,800</u>

## 14. Pension commitments

The Group makes contributions into an independently administered pension scheme on behalf of its employees. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the Group to the fund and amounted to £655,555 (2020: £1,183,519). Contributions totalling £nil (2020: £nil) were payable to the fund at the balance sheet date.



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**15. Commitments under operating leases**

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

	<b>Group</b> <b>2021</b> £	<i>Group</i> <i>2020</i> £	<b>Company</b> <b>2021</b> £	<i>Company</i> <i>2020</i> £
Not later than 1 year	<b>524,000</b>	524,000	<b>524,000</b>	524,000
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	<b>1,510,000</b>	2,034,000	<b>1,510,000</b>	2,034,000
	<b><u>2,034,000</u></b>	<u>2,558,000</u>	<b><u>2,034,000</u></b>	<u>2,558,000</u>

**16. Related party transactions**

During the year, the Company recharged £10,590,000 (2020: £27,385,000) of expenses to OxFORD Asset Management LLP ('the LLP'), the Company's principal subsidiary undertaking, in respect of operational support services. During the year, fees totalling £nil (2020: £nil) were allocated to the Company by the LLP as remuneration for the functions performed by the Company in relation to the LLP's investment management business. The Company also has accrued a profit share of £nil (2020: £256,418) from the LLP. The total amount due from the LLP at the year-end in respect of these transactions is £2,038,099 (2020: £8,207,737).

**17. Controlling party**

The Company's directors consider Andre Stern to be the ultimate controlling party.

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