

Virgin Hotels Group Limited

Annual Report and Financial Statements

Registered Number: 2857671

For The Year Ended 31 December 2022

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Strategic Report

For the Year Ended 31 December 2022

Principal activities

Virgin Hotels Group Limited (the “Company”) is principally an investment holding company. The Company and its subsidiaries own and operate a number of luxury hotels under the Virgin Limited Edition brand, including a Moroccan Kasbah, a Swiss ski lodge, a hotel and villas in Mallorca, Spain, and a game reserve in South Africa.

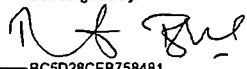
Principal risks and uncertainties

The Company's assets are primarily investments in the share capital of subsidiaries and the inter-company receivable balances. As such, its main risk is the impairment of these investments and receivables, and this is reviewed regularly.

Key performance indicators

The results for the year show an operating loss of £77,178 (2021: £10,548,454). In the current year, the Company incurred regular operating expenses, whereas the prior year loss was significantly influenced by an investment impairment.

This report was approved by the board on 29 August 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

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R P Blok

Director
66 Porchester Road, London, W2 6ET

Directors' Report

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Results and dividends

The loss for the year, after taxation, amounted to £414,148 (2021: £10,789,863).

The Directors do not propose to declare a dividend for the year ended 31 December 2022 (2021: Nil).

Going Concern

Notwithstanding net current liabilities of £9,718,392 as at 31 December 2022 and a loss of £414,148 for the year then ended, the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis which the directors consider to be appropriate for the following reasons.

The directors have prepared cash flow forecasts for a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements which indicate that, taking account of reasonably possible downsides, the Company will have sufficient funds through funding from its parent company, Virgin Holdings Limited, to meet its liabilities as they fall due for that period.

Those forecasts are dependent on Virgin Holdings Limited not seeking repayment of the amounts due, which at 31 December 2022 amounted to £8,467,463, and providing additional financial support during that period. Virgin Holdings Limited has indicated its intention to continue to make available such funds as are needed by the Company, and that it does not intend to seek repayment of the amounts due at the balance sheet date for the period covered by the forecasts.

As with any company placing reliance on other group entities for financial support, the directors acknowledge that there can be no certainty that this support will continue although, at the date of approval of these financial statements, they have no reason to believe that it will not do so.

Consequently, the directors are confident that the Company will have sufficient funds to continue to meet its liabilities as they fall due for at least 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements and therefore have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis.

Directors

The directors who served during the year and up to the date of this report were:

R P Blok
M D Bridge
I P Woods (alternate to R P Blok)

Disclosure of information to auditors

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

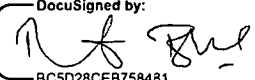
- so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditor is unaware, and
- the directors have taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a director in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditor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

Directors' Report (continued)

Auditor

Pursuant to section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditors will be deemed to have been reappointed and KPMG LLP will therefore continue in office.

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R P Blok

Director
66 Porchester Road, London, W2 6ET

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities in Respect of Strategic Report, Directors' Report and the Financial Statements

The directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, the Directors' Report, and the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 101 '*Reduced Disclosure Framework*'.

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 accounting 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;
- assess the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern; and
- use the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

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 to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They 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, and 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 Virgin Hotels Group Limited

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Virgin Hotels Group Limited ("the Company") for the year ended 31 December 2022 which comprise Statement of Comprehensive Income, Balance Sheet, Statement of Changes in Equity and related notes, including the accounting policies in note 1.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 December 2022 and of its loss for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with UK accounting standards, including FRS 101 *Reduced Disclosure Framework*; 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 are described below. We have fulfilled our ethical responsibilities under, and are independent of the Company in accordance with, UK ethical requirements including the FRC Ethical Standard. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is a sufficient and appropriate basis for our opinion.

Going concern

The directors have prepared the financial statements on the going concern basis as they do not intend to liquidate the Company or to cease its operations, and as they have concluded that the Company's financial position means that this is realistic. They have also concluded that there are no material uncertainties that could have cast significant doubt over its ability to continue as a going concern for at least a year from the date of approval of the financial statements ("the going concern period").

In our evaluation of the directors' conclusions, we considered the inherent risks to the Company's business model and analysed how those risks might affect the Company's financial resources or ability to continue operations over the going concern period.

Our conclusions based on this work:

- we consider that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate;
- we have not identified, and concur with the directors' assessment that there is not, a material uncertainty related to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern for the going concern period.

However, as we cannot predict all future events or conditions and as subsequent events may result in outcomes that are inconsistent with judgements that were reasonable at the time they were made, the above conclusions are not a guarantee that the Company will continue in operation.

Fraud and breaches of laws and regulations – ability to detect

Identifying and responding to risks of material misstatement due to fraud

To identify risks of material misstatement due to fraud ("fraud risks") we assessed events or conditions that could indicate an incentive or pressure to commit fraud or provide an opportunity to commit fraud. Our risk assessment procedures included:

- Enquiring of directors and finance management as to the Company's high-level policies and procedures to prevent and detect fraud, as well as whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud.
- Reading Board minutes;
- Using analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships

We communicated identified fraud risks throughout the audit team and remained alert to any indications of fraud throughout the audit.

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Virgin Hotels Group Limited (continued)

As required by auditing standards, we perform procedures to address the risk of management override of controls, in particular the risk that management may be in a position to make inappropriate accounting entries and the risk of bias in accounting estimates and judgements. On this audit we do not believe there is a fraud risk related to revenue recognition because the accounting for the revenue is non-complex, and subject to limited levels of judgment with limited opportunities to fraudulently manipulate revenue.

We did not identify any additional fraud risks.

We performed procedures including:

- Identifying journal entries and other adjustments to test based on risk criteria and comparing the identified entries to supporting documentation.
- Evaluated the business purpose of significant unusual transactions

Identifying and responding to risks of material misstatement due to non-compliance with laws and regulations

We identified areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements from our general commercial and sector experience and through discussion with the directors and other management (as required by auditing standards), and discussed with the directors and other management the policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations.

We communicated identified laws and regulations throughout our team and remained alert to any indications of non-compliance throughout the audit.

The potential effect of these laws and regulations on the financial statements varies considerably.

The Company is subject to laws and regulations that directly affect the financial statements including financial reporting legislation (including related companies' legislation), distributable profits legislation, and taxation legislation and we assessed the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items.

Whilst the Company is subject to many other laws and regulations, we did not identify any others where the consequences of non-compliance alone could have a material effect on amounts or disclosures in the financial statements.

Context of the ability of the audit to detect fraud or breaches of law or regulation

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. For example, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely the inherently limited procedures required by auditing standards would identify it.

In addition, as with any audit, there remained a higher risk of non-detection of fraud, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls.

Our audit procedures are designed to detect material misstatement. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance or fraud and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

Strategic report and Directors' report

The directors are responsible for the Strategic Report and the Directors' report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover those reports and we do not express an audit opinion thereon.

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Virgin Hotels Group Limited (continued)

Our responsibility is to read the Strategic Report and the Directors' report and, in doing so, consider whether, based on our financial statements audit work, the information therein is materially misstated or inconsistent with the financial statements or our audit knowledge. Based solely on that work:

- we have not identified material misstatements in the Strategic report and the Directors' report;
- in our opinion the information given in those reports for the financial year is consistent with the financial statements; and
- in our opinion, those reports have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

Under the Companies Act 2006, we are required 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.

We have nothing to report in these respects.

Directors' responsibilities

As explained more fully in their statement set out on page 6, the directors are responsible for: the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view; 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; 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 they either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities

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 our opinion in an auditor's report. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but does not 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 aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

A fuller description of our responsibilities is provided on the FRC's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities.

The purpose of our audit work and to whom we owe our responsibilities

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 auditor's 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.



Kevin Rose (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of KPMG LLP, Statutory Auditor
Chartered Accountants
15 Canada Square
London
E14 5GL

Statement of Comprehensive Income
For the Year Ended 31 December 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Administrative expenses		(77,178)	290,309
Impairment of investment	8	<u>-</u>	<u>(10,838,763)</u>
Operating loss	2	(77,178)	(10,548,454)
Interest receivable and similar income	5	756	126,895
Interest payable and similar expenses	6	<u>(337,726)</u>	<u>(368,304)</u>
Loss before tax		(414,148)	(10,789,863)
Tax credit on loss on ordinary activities	7	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Loss for the financial year		(414,148)	(10,789,863)
Other comprehensive income for the year		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total comprehensive loss for the year		<u>(414,148)</u>	<u>(10,789,863)</u>

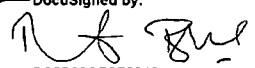
The notes on pages 13 to 21 form part of these financial statements.

Balance Sheet

As at 31 December 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Investments	8	22,968,371	22,968,371
		<u>22,968,371</u>	<u>22,968,371</u>
Current Assets			
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	9	1,420,256	2,159,041
Cash at bank and in hand		255,003	1,331,660
		<u>1,675,259</u>	<u>3,490,701</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(11,393,651)	(12,794,945)
Net Current Liabilities		<u>(9,718,392)</u>	<u>(9,304,244)</u>
Net Assets		<u>13,249,979</u>	<u>13,664,127</u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	11	-	-
Merger reserve		9,555,597	9,555,597
Profit and loss account		3,694,382	4,108,530
		<u>13,249,979</u>	<u>13,664,127</u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board on 29 August 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

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R P Blok

Director

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Statement of Changes in Equity

For the Year Ended 31 December 2022

	Called up share capital	Merger reserve	Profit & loss account	Total Equity
	£	£	£	£
At 1 January 2022	-	9,555,597	4,108,530	13,664,127
Loss for the year	-	-	(414,148)	(414,148)
Total comprehensive loss for the year	-	-	(414,148)	(414,148)
At 31 December 2022	-	9,555,597	3,694,382	13,249,979

For the Year Ended 31 December 2021

	Called up share capital	Merger reserve	Profit & loss account	Total Equity
	£	£	£	£
At 1 January 2021	-	9,555,597	14,898,393	24,453,990
Loss for the year	-	-	(10,789,863)	(10,789,863)
Total comprehensive loss for the year	-	-	(10,789,863)	(10,789,863)
At 31 December 2021	-	9,555,597	4,108,530	13,664,127

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Notes to the financial statements

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

Virgin Hotels Group Limited (the "Company") is a company incorporated and domiciled in the UK. The registered office address is 66 Porchester Road, London, W2 6ET, United Kingdom.

The Company is exempt by virtue of s400 of the Companies Act 2006 from the requirement to prepare group financial statements. These financial statements present information about the Company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

The Company's intermediate parent, Virgin Holdings Limited, includes the Company in its consolidated financial statements. The consolidated financial statements of Virgin Holdings Limited are available to the public and may be obtained from the address in note 13.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101 'Reduced Disclosure Framework' ("FRS 101") and the Companies Act 2006.

In preparing these financial statements, the Company applies the recognition, measurement and disclosure requirements of UK-adopted international accounting standards ("Adopted IFRSs"), but makes amendments where necessary in order to comply with Companies Act 2006 and has set out below where advantage of the FRS 101 disclosure exemptions has been taken.

In these financial statements, the Company has applied the exemptions under FRS 101 in respect of the following disclosures:

- the requirements of IAS 7 statement of cash flows and related notes;
- comparative period reconciliations for share capital;
- the requirements of IAS 24 related party disclosures in respect of wholly owned subsidiaries;
- the Requirements of IFRS 7 financial instruments disclosures; and
- the effects of new but not yet effective IFRSs.

The accounting policies set out below have, unless otherwise stated, been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements.

Judgements made by the directors, in the application of these accounting policies that have significant effect on the financial statements and estimates with a significant risk of material adjustment in the next year are discussed in note 1.12.

1.2 Going concern

Notwithstanding net current liabilities of £9,718,392 as at 31 December 2022 and a loss of £414,148 for the year then ended, the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis which the directors consider to be appropriate for the following reasons.

The directors have prepared cash flow forecasts for a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements which indicated that, taking account of reasonably possible downsides, the Company will have sufficient funds through funding from its parent company, Virgin Holdings Limited, to meet its liabilities as they fall due for that period.

Notes to the financial statements

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.2 Going concern (continued)

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As with any company placing reliance on other group entities for financial support, the directors acknowledge that there can be no certainty that this support will continue although, at the date of approval of these financial statements, they have no reason to believe that it will not do so.

Consequently, the directors are confident that the company will have sufficient funds to continue to meet its liabilities as they fall due for at least 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements and therefore have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis.

1.3 Valuation of investments

Investments in subsidiaries are measured at cost less accumulated impairment.

1.4 Debtors

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

1.5 Cash and cash equivalents

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

1.6 Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the relevant instrument. In accordance with IFRS 9, financial instruments are recorded initially at fair value. Subsequent measurement of those instruments at the balance sheet date reflects the designation of the financial instrument. The Company determines the classification at initial recognition and re-evaluates this designation at each reporting date except for those financial instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position when the Company has a legal right to offset the amounts and intends either to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. Loans and receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses.

Notes to the financial statements

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.6 Financial instruments (continued)

Non-derivative financial liabilities

Non-derivative financial liabilities are initially recorded at fair value less directly attributable transaction costs, and subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

The Company has the following non-derivative financial liabilities: loans and borrowings, bank overdrafts and trade and other payables.

The Company derecognises financial liabilities when its contractual obligations are discharged, cancelled, or expired. Where an existing financial liability is replaced by another form from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a de-recognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability, such that the difference in the respective carrying amounts are recognised in profit or loss.

1.7 Creditors

Creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers.

Creditors are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

1.8 Foreign currency translation

Functional and presentation currency

The Company's functional currency is GBP.

Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the spot exchange rates at the dates of the transactions.

At each period end foreign currency monetary items are translated using the closing rate. Non-monetary items measured at historical cost are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction and non-monetary items measured at fair value are measured using the exchange rate when fair value was determined.

Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of transactions and from the translation at period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the Profit and Loss Account.

Foreign exchange gains and losses that relate to borrowings and cash and cash equivalents are presented in the Profit and Loss Account within 'interest receivable and similar income'. All other foreign exchange gains and losses are presented in the Profit and Loss Account within 'other operating income'.

Notes to the financial statements

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.9 Finance income and expenses

Interest receivable and interest payable

Interest payable and similar charges include interest payable and net foreign exchange losses that are recognised in the profit and loss account (see foreign currency accounting policy). Borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of an asset that takes a substantial time to be prepared for use, are capitalised as part of the cost of that asset. Other interest receivable and similar income include interest receivable on funds invested and net foreign exchange gains.

Interest income and interest payable is recognised in profit or loss as it accrues, using the effective interest method. Foreign currency gains and losses are reported on a net basis.

1.10 Taxation

The tax expense for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the Profit and Loss Account, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in equity or other comprehensive income, in which case it is recognised directly in equity or other comprehensive income.

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

Deferred income tax is recognised on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements and on unused tax losses or tax credits in the company. Deferred income tax is determined using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and a valuation allowance is set up against deferred tax assets so that the net carrying amount equals the highest amount that is more likely than not to be recovered based on current or future taxable profit.

1.11 Impairment

Financial assets (including trade and other debtors)

A financial asset not carried at fair value through profit or loss is assessed at each reporting date to determine whether there is objective evidence that it is impaired. A financial asset is impaired if objective evidence indicates that a loss event has occurred after the initial recognition of the asset, and that the loss event had a negative effect on the estimated future cash flows of that asset that can be estimated reliably.

An impairment loss in respect of a financial asset measured at amortised cost is calculated as the difference between its carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. For financial instruments measured at cost less impairment an impairment is calculated as the difference between its carrying amount and the best estimate of the amount that the Company would receive for the asset if it were to be sold at the reporting date. Interest on the impaired asset continues to be recognised through the unwinding of the discount. When a subsequent event causes the amount of impairment loss to decrease, the decrease in impairment loss is reversed through profit or loss.

Notes to the financial statements

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.12 Accounting estimates and judgements

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with FRS 101 requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from the estimates calculated.

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

There are no accounting policies that are considered to be critical because they either require a significant amount of management judgement or the results are material to the Company's financial statements.

2. Operating loss

The operating loss is stated after charging:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Bad debt reversal for amounts due from related undertakings	-	(351,656)

3. Auditors' remuneration

The company paid the following amounts to its auditors in respect of the audit of the financial statements.

	2022	2021
	£	£
Fees for the audit of the Company	30,754	24,738
	<u>30,754</u>	<u>24,738</u>

There were no non-audit services provided.

4. Directors' remuneration

Directors did not receive any remuneration during the year for the services to the Company (2021: £nil).

5. Interest receivable and similar income

	2022	2021
	£	£
Bank interest receivable	756	-
Net foreign exchange gains	-	126,895
	<u>756</u>	<u>126,895</u>

Notes to the financial statements

6. Interest payable and similar expenses

	2022	2021
	£	£
Bank interest payable	2,730	514
Net foreign exchange loss	9,968	-
Interest payable on loans from group undertakings	325,028	367,790
	<u>337,726</u>	<u>368,304</u>

7. Taxation

	2022	2021
	£	£
Analysis of tax charge in period		
Current tax on loss for the year	-	-
Adjustment in respect of prior periods	-	-
Taxation on loss on ordinary activities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Factors affecting tax charge for the year

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

	2022	2021
	£	£
Loss before taxation	(414,148)	(10,789,863)
Loss on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2021: 19%)	(78,688)	(2,050,074)
Effects of:		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	63,655	2,062,476
Group relief for nil payment	15,033	-
Brought forward losses utilised, previously unrecognised	-	(12,402)
Adjustment in respect of prior periods	-	-
Total tax charge for the year	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

A change to the main UK corporation tax rate from 19% to 25% (effective from 1 April 2023) was substantively enacted on 24 May 2021. The Company has not recognised a deferred tax asset in respect of gross unused tax losses of £6,178,616 (2021: £6,178,616).

Notes to the financial statements

8. Investments

	Investments in subsidiary companies £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 January 2022	22,968,371
Additions	-
At 31 December 2022	<u>22,968,371</u>
Impairment	
At 1 January 2022	-
Additions	-
At 31 December 2022	<u>-</u>
Net Book Value	
At 31 December 2022	<u>22,968,371</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>22,968,371</u>

In the prior year, the Company subscribed to 50,000 ordinary shares with a nominal value of MAD100 of its subsidiary Virgin Hotels Maroc SA. The equity increase was satisfied by a cash settlement.

Additionally, an intercompany receivable due from Virgin Clubs Limited of £10,838,763 was capitalised in consideration for the repayment of the debt. The investment was immediately impaired to the profit and loss account and subsequently disposed following the strike off of Virgin Clubs Limited.

On 31 December 2022, the Company had the following investments in subsidiaries and joint ventures:

Subsidiary undertakings	Country of Registration	Holding	Class of shares
Investment Facility Company Forty (Pty) Limited Unit 1, Ground Floor Building 6, Albury Office Park, Cnr Jans Smuts Avenue and Albury Road, Gauteng, 2196, South Africa	South Africa	100%	Ordinary
Ulusaba Rock Lodge (Pty) Limited* Unit 1, Ground Floor Building 6, Albury Office Park, Cnr Jans Smuts Avenue and Albury Road, Gauteng, 2196, South Africa	South Africa	100%	Ordinary
Verbier Lodge SA Chemin de Plendazeu 3, 1936 Verbier, Switzerland	Switzerland	100%	Ordinary
Virgin Hotels Maroc SA Kasbah Tamadot, Route D'Imlil, ASNI, Morocco	Morocco	100%	Ordinary
Virgin Sky Investments Limited 66 Porchester Road, London W2 6ET, United Kingdom	England & Wales	100%	Ordinary
VH (Spain) Limited 66 Porchester Road, London W2 6ET, United Kingdom	England & Wales	100%	Ordinary
Arenal & Dunas Resort SLU* Pau Claris 97, 4º 1ª, 08009, Barcelona, Spain	Spain	100%	Ordinary

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8. Investments (continued)

Subsidiary undertakings

	Country of Registration	Holding	Class of shares
Son Bunyola SLU* Pau Claris 97, 4º 1ª, 08009, Barcelona, Spain	Spain	100%	Ordinary
Son Creus SLU* Pau Claris 97, 4º 1ª, 08009, Barcelona, Spain	Spain	100%	Ordinary
Dinicero SLU* Pau Claris 97, 4º 1ª, 08009, Barcelona, Spain	Spain	100%	Ordinary
Ganson SLU* Pau Claris 97, 4º 1ª, 08009, Barcelona, Spain	Spain	100%	Ordinary
Zickner 5000 SLU* Pau Claris 97, 4º 1ª, 08009, Barcelona, Spain	Spain	100%	Ordinary
Rimdrax 5000 SLU* Pau Claris 97, 4º 1ª, 08009, Barcelona, Spain	Spain	100%	Ordinary

* Indirectly held investment

Joint venture undertakings

	Country of Registration	Holding	Class of shares
Exeter Property Holdings (Pty) Limited* 3 Solitaire, 73A Pretoria Avenue, Atholl 2196 South Africa	South Africa	50%	Ordinary

* Indirectly held investment

9. Debtors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Amounts owed by group undertakings	1,420,256	2,159,041
	<u>1,420,256</u>	<u>2,159,041</u>

10. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Amounts owed to group undertakings	11,338,785	11,561,718
Other creditors	-	1,173,078
Accruals	54,866	60,149
	<u>11,393,651</u>	<u>12,794,945</u>

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11. Share capital

	2022	2021
	£	£
Share classified as equity		
1 Ordinary share of £0.001 each	-	-
	-	-

The company did not pay a dividend in the year ended 31 December 2022 (2021: £nil).

12. Related party transactions

At 31 December 2022, the Company's ultimate parent undertaking was Virgin Group Holdings Limited, whose sole shareholder is Sir Richard Branson. The shareholder of Virgin Group Holdings Limited has interests directly or indirectly in certain other companies which are considered to give rise to related party disclosures under International Accounting Standard 24: Related Party Disclosures.

As a 100% owned subsidiary of Virgin Group Holdings Limited, the company has taken advantage of the exemption under FRS 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework, which enables it to exclude disclosures of related party transactions with Virgin Group Holdings Limited and its wholly owned subsidiaries.

13. Controlling party

As at 31 December 2022, the Company's ultimate parent undertaking was Virgin Group Holdings Limited, a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands.

The largest and smallest groups into which the Company's results are consolidated are those of Virgin Holdings Limited, a company registered in England and Wales. The consolidated financial statements of this group can be obtained from Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff CF14 3UZ.