

LOUISVILLE SECURITIES LIMITED

Registered Number 03015916

Annual report and financial statements

For the year ended 31 December 2022



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Louisville Securities Limited**Strategic Report**

The Directors present their Strategic Report on Louisville Securities Limited ("the Company") for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Principal activities

The Company acts as an investment holding company in subsidiary undertakings of the British American Tobacco p.l.c. group of companies (the "Group") which are active in the tobacco and nicotine industry.

Review of the year ended 31 December 2022

The profit for the financial year attributable to the Company's shareholder after deduction of all charges and the provision of taxation amounted to £3,551,080,000 (2021: £3,289,345,000).

The Directors expect the Company's activities to continue on a similar basis in the foreseeable future.

Going concern

The Directors believe that preparing the financial statements on the going concern basis is appropriate. As a result of the Company being partially financed by short term intragroup borrowings at the end of the reporting year the Company's current borrowing exceeded its cash and current assets balances. Historically these borrowings have always been extended. Whilst some of the borrowings have been extended subsequent to the reporting period they are still short term as the extension of the borrowing resulting in extending the maturity date in January 2023 to January 2024. Also, in line with prior years, we expect all the borrowings with maturity date in September 2023 and January 2024 to be extended nearer to the maturity date.

The counterparty to the borrowings has indicated that it does not intend to seek repayment of these amounts during the going concern assessment period. 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.

Key performance indicators

Given the nature of the Company's activities, the Company's Directors believe that key performance indicators are not necessary or appropriate for an understanding of the Company's specific development, performance, or the position of its business. However, key performance indicators relevant to the Group, and which may be relevant to the Company, are disclosed in the Strategic Report in British American Tobacco p.l.c.'s 2022 Annual Report and Form 20-F ("BAT ARA & 20-F") and do not form part of this report.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The principal risks and uncertainties of the Company, including financial risk management, are integrated with the principal risks of the Group, and are monitored by audit committees to provide a framework for identifying, evaluating and managing risks faced by the Group. Accordingly, the key Group risk factors that may be relevant to the Company are disclosed in the BAT ARA & 20-F and do not form part of this report.

UK Companies Act 2006: Section 172(1) Statement

The Company is part of the Group and is ultimately owned by British American Tobacco p.l.c. As set out above in the Company's Strategic Report, the Company's principal activity is to act as an investment holding company in subsidiary undertakings of the Group which are active in the tobacco and nicotine industry.

Under Section 172(1) of the UK Companies Act 2006 ("the Act") and as part of the Directors' duty to the Company's shareholder to act as they consider most likely to promote the success of the Company, the Directors must have regard for the likely long-term consequences of decisions and the desirability of maintaining a reputation for high standards of business conduct. The Directors must also have regard for business relationships with the Company's wider stakeholders and the impact of the Company's operations on the environment and communities in which it operates. Consideration of these factors and other relevant matters is embedded into all Board decision making and risk assessments throughout the year.

The Company's key stakeholders are Group undertakings, including its shareholder. The Company does not have any employees, or customers or suppliers outside of the Group.

The Company engages with other Group undertakings, including its shareholder through regular meetings, intra-group management activities and ongoing dialogue. There is also regular engagement within the Group on finance-related matters which is taken into account in the Company's decision making.

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Strategic Report (continued)

UK Companies Act 2006: Section 172(1) Statement (continued)

Where the Directors do not engage directly with the Company's stakeholders, they are kept updated on stakeholder perspectives, including through the use of management reporting and Board notes relating to matters presented to the Board during the year which set out stakeholder considerations as applicable to matters under consideration. This enables the Directors to maintain an effective understanding of what matters to those stakeholders and to draw on these perspectives in Board decision making.

In accordance with the Group's overall governance and internal controls framework and in support of the Company's purpose as part of the Group, the Company applies and the Directors have due regard to all applicable Group policies and procedures, including the Group Statement of Delegated Authorities ("SoDA"), and the Group Standards of Business Conduct, International Marketing Principles, Health and Safety Policy, and Environment Policy as set out on pages 45 and 91 of the BAT ARA & 20-F. As a Group company, the Company acts in accordance with the Group's policies in relation to the safeguarding of human rights and community relationships, which are set out on page 45 of the BAT ARA & 20-F.

Certain authorities for decision making are delegated to management under the SoDA, part of the Group's governance and internal controls framework through which robust corporate governance, risk management and internal control are promoted within the Group. Application of the SoDA does not derogate from any requirement for Board review, oversight or approval in relation to the Company's activities.

The Directors receive training in relation to their role and duties as a Director on a periodic basis. All newly appointed Directors receive training in respect of their roles and duties on appointment, including on directors' duties under Section 172 of the Act. Director training is provided through the Company Secretary.

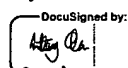
The principal decisions made by the Directors during the year included the payment of an interim dividend and renewal of various inter-company loans. Examples of how stakeholder considerations and other relevant factors have been taken into account during the decision making process in these contexts are as follows:

The Directors reviewed and approved an interim dividend payment to its shareholder as set out in the Directors' Report below. The Board considered, amongst other relevant factors, the Company's capital position, the amount of its distributable reserves, its cash position, and the Company's actual and contingent liabilities and its ability to pay its debts as they fell due.

The Directors reviewed and approved the renewal of various inter-company term loans to other Group companies (referred to in the Notes to the financial statements below). The Board considered, amongst other relevant factors, the Company's capital and cash positions, the Company's actual and contingent liabilities and its ability to pay its debts as they fell due, and the interests of the Company's shareholder.

Principal decisions are those decisions and discussions by the Board that are strategic or material to the Company and those of significance to any of Company's key stakeholders.

By Order of the Board

DocuSigned by:


Anthony Michael Hardy Cohn
 Director

02 May 2023

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Directors' Report

The Directors present their report together with the audited financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2022.

In accordance with Section 414C(11) of the Act, the Directors have provided an indication of likely future developments in the business of the Company in the Strategic Report under the heading "Review of the year ended 31 December 2022".

Dividends

During the year the Company paid dividends amounting to £3,660,000,000 (2021: £3,105,000,000).

Financial risk management

The Company's operations expose it to a currency risk as income from shares in Group undertakings is denominated in foreign currencies other than Sterling. The exposure is hedged with forward foreign exchange contracts.

Board of Directors

The names of the persons who served as Directors of the Company during the period 1 January 2022 to the date of this report are as follows:

Andrew James Barrett
Anthony Michael Hardy Cohn
Steven Glyn Dale
Ridirectors Limited
Neil Arthur Wadey
Ruth Wilson

Research and development

No research and development expenditure has been incurred during the year (2021: £nil).

Employee

The average number of employees employed by the Company during the year was nil (2021: nil).

Auditor

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

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, the Directors' Report, and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Applicable law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under applicable law they 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 102 ("FRS 102") *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland*.

Under applicable 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;
- assess the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern; and

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Directors' Report (continued)

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities (continued)

- 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 enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Act. They are 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.

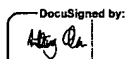
Directors' declaration in relation to relevant audit information

Having made appropriate enquiries, each of the Directors who held office at the date of approval of this report confirms that:

- (a) to the best of their knowledge and belief, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditor is unaware; and
- (b) they have taken all steps that a Director might reasonably be expected to have taken in order to make themselves aware of relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditor is aware of that information.

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of Section 418 of the Act.

By Order of the Board

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Anthony Michael Hardy Cohn
Director

02 May 2023

Independent Auditor's Report to the members of Louisville Securities Limited

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Louisville Securities Limited ("the Company") for the year ended 31 December 2022 which comprise the Profit and Loss account, Statement of other comprehensive income, Statement of changes in equity, Balance Sheet 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 profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with UK accounting standards, including FRS 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland*; 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 inspection of policy documentation as to the Company's policies and procedures to prevent and detect fraud as well as enquiring whether the directors have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud.
- Reading Board minutes.

Independent Auditor's Report to the members of Louisville Securities Limited (continued)

Fraud and breaches of laws and regulations – ability to detect (continued)

- Using analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships.

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. On this audit we do not believe there is a fraud risk related to revenue recognition because there are no complex revenue transactions. We did not identify any additional fraud risks.

We also performed procedures including:

- Identifying journal entries to test based on risk criteria and comparing the identified entries to supporting documentation. These included those posted by individuals who typically do not post journal entries or are not authorised to do so, posted to unrelated, unusual, or seldom used accounts.
- Assessing whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias.

Identifying and responding to risks of material misstatement related to 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, through discussion with the directors (as required by auditing standards), and discussed with the directors the policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations.

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.

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.

Independent Auditor's Report to the members of Louisville Securities Limited (continued)

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 pages 4 and 5, 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.

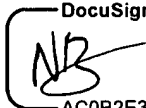
A fuller description of our responsibilities is provided on the FRC's website at

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.

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Natalia Bottomley (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of KPMG LLP, Statutory Auditor

Chartered Accountants
15 Canada Square
London, United Kingdom.
E14 5GL

02 May 2023

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Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December

	Notes	2022 £'000	2021 £'000
Continuing operations			
Other operating expenses	2	(767)	—
Operating loss		(767)	—
Income from shares in Group undertakings	3	3,676,940	3,372,423
Interest receivable and similar income	4	67,138	22,471
Interest payable and similar expenses	5	(192,231)	(105,549)
Profit before tax		3,551,080	3,289,345
Taxation	6	—	—
Profit for the financial year		3,551,080	3,289,345

Statement of other comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December

	Notes	£'000	£'000
Profit for the financial year		3,551,080	3,289,345
Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges		(89,603)	(240,110)
Total other comprehensive income for the year		(89,603)	(240,110)
Total comprehensive income for the year		3,461,477	3,049,235

Statement of changes in equity for the year ended 31 December

	Called up share capital	Share premium account	Cash flow hedge reserve	Profit and loss account	Total Equity
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1 January 2021	3,814,006	23,223,433	181,087	1,567,657	28,786,183
Profit for the financial year	—	—	—	3,289,345	3,289,345
Dividends paid	—	—	—	(3,105,000)	(3,105,000)
	3,814,006	23,223,433	181,087	1,752,002	28,970,528
Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges	—	—	(240,110)	—	(240,110)
31 December 2021	3,814,006	23,223,433	(59,023)	1,752,002	28,730,418
Profit for the financial year	—	—	—	3,551,080	3,551,080
Dividends paid	—	—	—	(3,660,000)	(3,660,000)
	3,814,006	23,223,433	(59,023)	1,643,082	28,621,498
Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges	—	—	(89,603)	—	(89,603)
31 December 2022	3,814,006	23,223,433	(148,626)	1,643,082	28,531,895

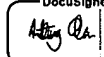
The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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Balance sheet as at 31 December

	Notes	2022 £'000	2021 £'000
Fixed assets			
Investments in Group undertakings	7	33,150,123	32,941,336
		33,150,123	32,941,336
Current assets			
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	8a	2,576,301	2,480,116
Derivative financial instruments – non current assets	11	2,571	4,579
Derivative financial instruments – current assets	11	37,266	8,774
		2,616,138	2,493,469
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9a	(5,121,501)	(6,632,011)
Derivatives financial instruments liabilities	11	(194,897)	(72,376)
Net current assets		(2,700,260)	(4,210,918)
Total assets less current liabilities		30,449,863	28,730,418
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	9b	(1,917,913)	—
Derivative financial instruments – liabilities – non current	11	(55)	—
Net assets		28,531,895	28,730,418
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	10a	3,814,006	3,814,006
Share premium account	10b	23,223,433	23,223,433
Cash flow hedge reserve	11	(148,626)	(59,023)
Profit and loss account	10c	1,643,082	1,752,002
Total shareholders' funds		28,531,895	28,730,418

The financial statements on pages 9 to 19 were approved by the Directors on 02 May 2023 and signed on behalf of the Board.

DocuSigned by:


Anthony Michael Hardy Conn
 Director

Registered number
 03015916

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Louisville Securities Limited**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022****1 Accounting policies****Basis of accounting**

The Company is a private company incorporated, domiciled and registered in England and Wales in the UK. The registered number is 03015916 and the registered address is Globe House, 4 Temple Place, London, WC2R 2PG.

The financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis, under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with FRS102.

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 statement on a going concern basis.

The preparation of the financial statements requires the Directors to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of income, expenses, assets and liabilities, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities at the date of the financial statements. The key estimates and assumptions are set out in the accounting policies below, together with the related notes to the financial statements.

Such estimates and assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable in the circumstances and constitute management's best judgement at the date of the financial statements. In the future, actual experience may deviate from these estimates and assumptions, which could affect the financial statements as the original estimates and assumptions are modified, as appropriate, in the year in which the circumstances change.

As a result of the Company being partially financed by short term intragroup borrowings at the end of the reporting year the Company's current borrowing exceeded its cash and current assets balances. Historically these borrowings have always been extended. Whilst some of the borrowings have been extended subsequent to the reporting period, they are still short term as the extension of the borrowing resulting in extending the maturity date in January 2023 to January 2024. Also, in line with prior years, we expect the all the borrowings with maturity date in September 2023 and January 2024 to be extended nearer to the maturity date.

The counterparty to the borrowings has indicated that it does not intend to seek repayment of these amounts during the going concern assessment period. 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.

The Company is included in the consolidated financial statements of the Group which is incorporated in the United Kingdom and registered in England and Wales. Consequently, the Company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing consolidated financial statements under the terms of Section 400 of the Act.

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

Cash flow statement

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of British American Tobacco p.l.c.. The cash flows of the Company are included in the consolidated cash flow statement of British American Tobacco p.l.c. which is publicly available. Consequently, the Company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement under the terms of FRS 102.

Foreign currencies

The functional currency of the Company is Sterling. Transactions arising in currencies other than Sterling are translated at the rate of exchange ruling on the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities expressed in currencies other than Sterling are translated at rates of exchange ruling at the end of the financial year. All exchange differences are taken to the profit and loss account in the year except for differences arising on the retranslation of qualifying cash flow hedges, which are recognised in other comprehensive income.

Louisville Securities Limited**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022****1 Accounting policies (continued)****Income**

Income is recognised in the profit and loss account when all contractual or other applicable conditions for recognition have been met.

Operating expenses

Operating expenses are recorded in period they relate to and are generated in the normal business operations of the Company.

Taxation

Taxation is that chargeable on the profits for the period, together with deferred taxation.

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of tax laws enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

Tax is recognised in the profit and loss account except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case it is recognised in other comprehensive income or changes in equity.

The Company has exposures in respect of the payment or recovery of a number of taxes. Liabilities or assets for these payments or recoveries are recognised at such time as an outcome becomes probable and when the amount can reasonably be estimated.

As a UK resident wholly-owned subsidiary of the Group, the Company is eligible to surrender tax losses to, or claim tax losses from, fellow members of the same UK group for the purposes of calculating corporation tax due in the UK ("Group Relief").

It is Group policy that tax losses are surrendered unless the entity generating the losses has a particular requirement to carry the losses forward. It is also Group policy not to reimburse entities for Group Relief surrendered unless, on a stand-alone basis and assuming the entity were not in the Group, those losses are judged to have value to the entity generating the loss.

Investments in subsidiaries and associates

Investments in subsidiaries and associates are stated at cost, together with subsequent capital contributions, less provisions for any impairment in value, and adjustments for the effect of fair value hedges where appropriate.

Financial instruments

The Company has complied with the requirements of Section 11 (basic financial instruments) and Section 12 (other financial instruments) of FRS 102.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the relevant instrument and derecognised when it ceases to be a party to such provisions. Such assets and liabilities are classified as current if they are expected to be realised or settled within 12 months after the balance sheet date. If not, they are classified as non-current.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially recognised at fair value, plus directly attributable transaction costs where applicable, with subsequent measurement as set out below.

As noted previously, investments in subsidiaries and associates are stated at cost. Other non-derivative financial assets are classified on initial recognition as loans and receivables or cash and cash equivalents as follows:

Loans and receivables: these are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market.

Cash and cash equivalents: include cash in hand and deposits held on call, together with other short-term highly liquid investments including investments in certain money market funds. Cash equivalents normally comprise instruments with maturities of three months or less at date of acquisition.

Non-derivative financial assets are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method; subject to reduction for allowances for estimated irrecoverable amounts. These estimates for irrecoverable amounts are

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022**1 Accounting policies (continued)**

recognised when there is objective evidence that the full amount receivable will not be collected according to the original terms of the asset.

Non-derivative financial liabilities are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method. For borrowings, their carrying value includes accrued interest payable, as well as unamortised issue costs.

Derivative financial assets and liabilities are initially recognised, and subsequently measured, at fair value, which includes accrued interest receivable and payable where relevant. Changes in their fair values are recognised as follows:

- where a derivative financial instrument or another financial instrument is designated as a fair value hedge, all changes in the fair value of the derivative are recognised immediately in profit or loss. The carrying value of the hedged item is adjusted by the change in fair value that is attributable to the risk being hedged and any gains or losses on re-measurement are recognised immediately in the income statement;
- for derivatives that are designated as cash flow hedges, the changes in their fair values are recognised directly in other comprehensive income, to the extent that they are effective, with the ineffective portion being recognised in the profit and loss account. Where the hedged item results in a non-financial asset, the accumulated gains and losses, previously recognised in other comprehensive income, are included in the initial carrying value of the asset and recognised in the profit and loss account in the same periods as the hedged item. Where the underlying transaction does not result in such an asset, the accumulated gains and losses are reclassified to the profit and loss account in the same periods as the hedged item;
- for derivatives that do not qualify for hedge accounting or are not designated as hedges, the changes in their fair values are recognised in the profit and loss account in the period in which they arise.

In order to qualify for hedge accounting, the Company is required to document prospectively the relationship between the item being hedged and the hedging instrument. The Company is also required to demonstrate an assessment of the relationship between the hedged item and the hedging instrument, which shows that the hedge will be highly effective on an ongoing basis. This effectiveness testing is re-performed periodically to ensure that the hedge has remained, and is expected to remain, highly effective.

Hedge accounting is discontinued when a hedging instrument is derecognised (e.g. through expiry or disposal), or no longer qualifies for hedge accounting. Where the hedged item is a highly probable forecast transaction, the related gains and losses remain in equity until the transaction takes place, when they are reclassified to the profit and loss account in the same manner as for cash flow hedges as described above. When a hedged future transaction is no longer expected to occur, any related gains and losses, previously recognised in other comprehensive income, are immediately reclassified to the profit and loss account.

Derivative fair value changes recognised in the profit and loss account are either reflected in arriving at profit from operations (if the hedged item is similarly reflected) or in finance costs.

Preference shares and similar financial instruments are classified as liabilities if they do not represent a residual interest in the net assets of the entity.

Where interest bearing receivables and payables have their floating rates based on benchmark rates, such as the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"), the Company accounted for the application of replacement benchmark rates in accordance with the Amendments to International Financial Reporting Standard (IFRS) 9 Financial Instruments published in 2019 (phase 1) and 2020 (phase 2) when applicable. The replacement rate Sterling Overnight Index Average ("SONIA") has been applied since August 2021.

2 Other operating expenses

	2022	2021
	£'000	£'000
Fair value loss on derivatives	40	—
Expected credit loss allowance	727	—
	767	—

Auditor's fees of £7,000 were borne by a fellow Group undertaking (2021: £5,000).

None of the Directors received any remuneration in respect of their services to the Company during the year (2021: £nil). The Company considers that there is no practicable method to allocate a portion of the emoluments the Directors receive from their respective Group company employer for any qualifying services in respect of the Company, as these are considered to be incidental and part of Directors overall management responsibilities within the Group.

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There were no employees (2021: none) and no staff costs during the year (2021: £nil).

3 Income from shares in Group undertakings

	2022 £'000	2021 £'000
Income from shares in Group undertakings	3,676,940	3,372,423

Income from shares in Group undertakings represent dividends received from BATUS Holdings Inc.

4 Interest receivable and similar income

	2022 £'000	2021 £'000
Interest receivable from Group undertakings	67,061	22,135
Fair value gain on derivatives	—	336
Exchange gains	77	—
	67,138	22,471

A total amount of £208,786,000 exchange loss on the revaluation of the borrowings and £208,786,000 exchange gain on the revaluation of the investment in subsidiaries, included in the above are the effects of foreign exchange risk being hedged in relation to investments in subsidiaries (note 7) being financed by foreign currency creditors falling due within one year (note 9a). Included in exchange gain above there are also an amount of £141,107,150 exchange loss on the revaluation of the borrowings and £141,107,150 exchange gain on the revaluation of the loan presented in note 8(a) and a net impact of £76,800 gain on the revaluation of other amounts owed by Group undertakings.

5 Interest payable and similar expenses

	2022 £'000	2021 £'000
Fair value loss on derivatives	1,246	—
Exchange (gain)/losses	—	(144)
Interest payable to Group undertakings	190,985	105,693
	192,231	105,549

6 Taxation**Factors affecting the taxation charge**

An increase in the UK corporation rate from 19% to 25% (effective 1 April 2023) was substantively enacted on 24 May 2021. This will increase the company's future current tax charge accordingly.

The taxation charge for the year differs from the charge that would be expected based on the statutory 19% (2021: 19%) rate of corporation taxation in the UK. The major causes of this difference are listed below:

	2022 £'000	2021 £'000
Profit for the financial year	3,551,080	3,289,345
Total tax expense	—	—
Profit before tax	3,551,080	3,289,345
Tax using the UK corporation tax rate of 19% (2021: 19%)	674,705	624,976
Non-deductible expenses	138	—
Group Relief surrendered for nil consideration	23,776	15,793
Income not taxable	(698,619)	(640,760)
Transfer pricing adjustments	—	(9)
Total tax charge	—	—

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7 Investments / 1 Shares in Group undertakings

Country	Address	Company	Share Class	Direct interest (%)	Subsidiary Interest (%)	Attributable interest (%)
Cayman Islands	Trident Trust Company (Cayman) Ltd., One Capital Place, PO Box 847, Grand Cayman, KY1-1103, Cayman Islands	R.J. Reynolds Tobacco (CI), Co.	Ordinary	0.00	100.00	100.00
Hong Kong	LEHMAN, LEE & XU CORPORATE SERVICES, Suite 3313, Tower One, Times Square, 1 Matheson Street, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong	Reynolds Asia-Pacific Limited	Ordinary	0.00	100.00	100.00
Japan	Midtown Tower 20F, 9-7-1 Akasaka, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan	British American Tobacco Japan, Ltd	Equity units	0.00	100.00	100.00
Republic of Korea	22nd FL, West Tower, MiraeAssetCENTER1, 26, Eulji-ro 5-gil, Jung-gu, Seoul, Korea (the Republic of)	British American Tobacco Korea Limited	Ordinary	0.00	100.00	100.00
United Kingdom	Globe House, 1 Water Street, London, WC2R 3LA, United Kingdom	BATUS Limited	Ordinary	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	251 Little Falls Drive, Wilmington, DE 19808, United States	B.A.T Capital Corporation	Ordinary	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	251 Little Falls Drive, Wilmington, DE 19808, United States	BATUS Holdings Inc.	Ordinary	100.00	0.00	100.00
United States	251 Little Falls Drive, Wilmington, DE 19808, United States	BATUS Japan, Inc.	Ordinary	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	251 Little Falls Drive, Wilmington, DE 19808, United States	BATUS Retail Services, Inc.	Ordinary	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	251 Little Falls Drive, Wilmington, DE 19808, United States	British American Tobacco (Brands) Inc.	Ordinary	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	251 Little Falls Drive, Wilmington, DE 19808, United States	Brown & Williamson Holdings, Inc.	Ordinary	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	251 Little Falls Drive, Wilmington, DE 19808, United States	Louisville Corporate Services, Inc.	Ordinary	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	251 Little Falls Drive, Wilmington, DE 19808, United States	BT DE Investments Inc.	Ordinary	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	Santa Fe Natural Tobacco Company, Inc.	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	Reynolds Marketing Services Company	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	Vuse Stores LLC	Membership Interest	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	EXP Homes, LLC	Membership Interest	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	Lorillard Licensing Company LLC	Membership Interest	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	Lorillard, LLC	Membership Interest	0.00	100.00	100.00

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7 Investments / 1 Shares in Group undertakings

Country	Address	Company	Share Class	Direct interest (%)	Subsidiary Interest (%)	Attributable interest (%)
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	Modoral Brands, Inc.	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	Northern Brands International, Inc.	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	402 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	Reynolds American Inc.	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	R.J. Reynolds Global Products, Inc.	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	R.J. Reynolds Tobacco International, Inc.	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	R.J. Reynolds Vapor Company	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Holdings, Inc.	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	RAI Innovations Company	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	RAI International, Inc.	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	RAI Services Company	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	RAI Strategic Holdings, Inc.	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	Reynolds Brands Inc.	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	Reynolds Technologies, Inc.	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	RJR Realty Relocation Services, Inc.	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	RJR Vapor Co., LLC	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	Rosswil LLC	Membership Interest	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	S.F. Imports, Inc.	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	401 N. Main Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101	Spot You More, Inc.	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	5106 Tradeport Dr., Memphis, TN 38141	American Snuff Company, LLC	Membership Interest	0.00	100.00	100.00
United States	Farmers Bank Building, Suite 1402, 301 N. Market Street, Wilmington, DE 19801	Reynolds Finance Company	Common Stock	0.00	100.00	100.00

7 Investments / 2 Indirect Investments in Associated Undertakings

Country	Address	Company	Share Class	Direct interest (%)	Subsidiary Interest (%)	Attributable interest (%)
Canada	35 English Drive, Moncton, New Brunswick, E1E 3X3, Canada	Organigram Holdings Inc.	Common Stock	0.00	19.43	19.43

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	Investments in Group Companies £'000
1 January 2022	32,941,336
Effect of fair value hedge: exchange loss on revaluation of investment (note 4)	208,787
31 December 2022	33,150,123
Net book value	
1 January 2022	32,941,336
31 December 2022	33,150,123

(4) The Directors are of the opinion that the individual investments in the Group undertakings have a value not less than the amount at which they are shown in the balance sheet.

8 Debtors**(a) Amounts falling due within one year**

	2022 £'000	2021 £'000
Amounts owed by Group undertakings - gross	2,577,028	2,480,099
Allowances account	(727)	—
Amounts owed by Group undertakings - net of allowances	2,576,301	2,480,099
Prepayments and accrued income	—	17
	2,576,301	2,480,116

An amount of £1,298,218,000 (2021: £1,354,537,000) is unsecured, interest bearing and repayable on demand. Included in Amounts owed by Group undertakings is an amount of £1,261,119,000 ((USD:1,517,000,000) (2021: £1,120,012,000 (USD: 1,517,000,000)) classified under amounts falling within one year) which is interest bearing and repayable in September 2023. The Company has amounts receivable from fellow Group subsidiaries where the variable interest rate is in accordance with the Group's intercompany lending agreements. During 2021, the standard lending agreements within the Group were revised to take account of global benchmark interest rate reform. Prior to 1 August 2021 the applicable rate was based on LIBOR and with effect from this date it is based on SONIA. Management consider the replacement rates in the revised intercompany agreement to be economically equivalent to those used previously. The impact of the change in rates was not significant to the Company. Other amounts owed by Group undertakings are unsecured, interest free and repayable on demand. Prepayments are unsecured and non-interest bearing.

9 Creditors**(a) Amounts falling due within one year**

	2022 £'000	2021 £'000
Amounts owed to Group undertakings	5,121,501	6,632,011
	5,121,501	6,632,011

Amounts owed to Group undertakings include £3,127,109,000 (USD 3,761,600,000) (2021: 2,777,215,000 (USD 3,761,600,000)) which are unsecured, interest bearing and repayable in September 2023. Included in balance above there is also £1,917,913,000 subsequently approved to be extended till January 2024. During 2021, the standard lending agreements within the Group were revised to take account of global benchmark interest rate reform. Prior to 1 August 2021 the applicable rate was based on LIBOR and with effect from this date it is based on SONIA. Management consider the replacement rates in the revised intercompany agreement to be economically equivalent to those used previously. The impact of the change in rates was not significant to the Company.

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	2022 £'000	2021 £'000
Amounts owed to Group undertakings	1,917,913	—
	1,917,913	—

Amounts owed to Group undertakings also include £1,917,913,000 which are unsecured, interest bearing and repayable in July 2024.

10 Capital and reserves**(a) Called up share capital**

Ordinary shares of £0.01 each Allotted, called up and fully paid	2022	2021
- value	£3,814,006,331	£3,814,006,331
- number	381,400,633,140	381,400,633,140

The called up share capital account records the nominal value of shares issued.

(b) Share Premium

The share premium account includes the difference between the value of shares issued and their nominal value.

Allotted, called up and fully paid	2022	2021
- value	£23,223,433,252	£23,223,433,252

(c) Profit and loss account

This includes all current and prior period retained profits and losses. All reserves in respect of profit and loss are distributable reserves.

11 Financial instruments**Derivative financial instruments**

	2022 Assets £'000	2022 Liabilities £'000	2021 Assets £'000	2021 Liabilities £'000
Cash flow hedges				
- Forward foreign exchange contracts	39,837	(194,952)	13,353	(72,376)
Current	37,266	(194,897)	8,774	(72,376)
Non-current	2,571	(55)	4,579	—

The Company's operations expose it to currency risk as income from shares in Group undertakings is denominated in foreign currencies other than Sterling. The exposure is hedged with forward foreign exchange contracts. The effective portion of cash flow hedges as at 31 December 2022 amounted to £148,626,000 gain (2021: £59,023,000 gain), the remaining ineffective part has been recognised in the profit and loss for the year.

12 Events subsequent to the year end

In January 2023, the £1,917,913,000 Term loan dated on 24 July 2017, received from British American Tobacco (2009) Limited and due for payment on 16 January 2023 was approved to be renewed, having a proposed maturity date on 16 January 2024.

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13 Related party disclosures

As a wholly owned subsidiary the Company has taken advantage of the exemption under section 33 of FRS 102 from disclosing transactions with wholly owned subsidiary undertakings of the British American Tobacco p.l.c. Group.

14 Parent undertakings

The Company's ultimate parent undertaking and ultimate controlling party is British American Tobacco p.l.c. being incorporated in the United Kingdom and registered in England and Wales. The Company's immediate parent undertaking is British-American Tobacco (Holdings) Limited. Group financial statements are prepared only at Group level and may be obtained from:

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