# CROWLAND CRANES LTD ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020



### **COMPANY INFORMATION**

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P J Issitt

J M Issitt

Secretary

J M Issitt

Company number

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#### STRATEGIC REPORT

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

The directors present the strategic report for the year ended 31 October 2020.

#### Fair review of the business and key performance indicators

The company has again delivered a strong financial performance for the year, generating cash from operating activities of £1.1m and achieving a net profit before tax of £1m. During the financial period a dividend of £0.8m was paid to the company's parent undertaking. These results have been achieved despite a significant curtailment in nationwide construction activity for a period of time as a result of the outbreak of the Coronavirus pandemic.

Investment in the company's crane hire fleet and asset infrastructure has continued with £0.25m being spent in the year on plant, equipment and vehicles.

The company has also invested £0.8m in a new operating facility in Norwich, a location where significant growth in business volumes continues and new employment opportunities have been created.

At the balance sheet date the company's level of external finance remains extremely low for the sector with an amount of £0.05m being owed under hire purchase and finance lease arrangements. At 31 October 2020 the company held cash and bank balances totalling £2.1m, and its net assets totalled £6.6m.

The directors are confident that the company will continue to deliver strong financial performance in the future despite the significant uncertainties that the current coronavirus outbreak has brought to both the plant hire and construction sectors. After the initial wave of the pandemic, business activity has quickly returned to pre pandemic levels.

#### Principal risks and uncertainties

The control and management of risks within the business and its operational environment is addressed through a robust framework of policies, procedures and internal controls.

#### Plant utilisation

The company has built strong relationships with clients which relies upon a quality of service that can adapt to the needs of the client. This ensures repeat custom which is paramount in maximising plant utilisation and profitability.

#### Cash flow

The directors continue to invest a significant amount of retained profits back into the business asset base and carefully monitor cash flow to ensure investment is managed from the cash resources available. A relatively small percentage of the company's hire fleet is subject to charges under finance lease and hire purchase agreements.

#### Credit risk

The company's principal financial risk relates to its trade debtors. The company operates a clear procedure for assessing each customer's credit risk and tightly manages credit limits. The amounts presented in the Balance Sheet for trade debtors are net of doubtful debts and the company has no significant concentration of its debtors with one customer. The company has again maintained an excellent debt collection performance during the financial year.

#### Operational risk

The company engages external expertise alongside operating its own strict policies and procedures in order to ensure that all of its employees operate to the highest of safety standards.

# STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

#### Coronavirus outbreak

Whilst it is too early to assess the full impact of the coronavirus outbreak on the plant hire and construction sector, and the wider economy as a whole, clearly the immediate impact has been significant. With many construction sites closing during the initial national lockdown, a significant proportion of the company's hire fleet was idle for a short period of time. However operating levels for the hire fleet quickly returned to pre pandemic activity levels and the company has been able to trade profitably throughout this challenging period. Workshop operations were initially reduced so that ongoing repairs to the company's own fleet and work on plant belonging to third parties could be undertaken in a manner which meets current government guidelines on social distancing. Operations in this part of the business have now also recovered to pre lockdown levels.

The company is in a very strong financial position to deal with any short to medium term financial impact of the pandemic, holding strong levels of cash balances and having a very low monthly financial commitment in meeting external finance repayments. The underlying strength of the business has allowed the company to retain and increase its workforce during the financial year and the directors continue to actively explore future growth opportunities as the market place they operate in, the wider construction sector, and the economy return to more normal operating conditions.

On behalf of the board

P J Issitt **Director** 

55/6/2051

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

The directors present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2020.

#### **Principal activities**

The principal activity of the company throughout the year was that of crane hire, sales and repair.

#### **Directors**

The directors who held office during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were as follows:

P J Issitt

J M Issitt

#### Results and dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 7.

Interim dividends were paid to the company's parent undertaking amounting to £800,000. The directors do not recommend payment of a final dividend.

#### **Auditor**

The auditor, Stephenson Smart & Co, are deemed to be reappointed under section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the annual 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 United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- · select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- · make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

#### Statement of disclosure to auditor

So far as each person who was a director at the date of approving this report is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware. Additionally, the directors individually have taken all the necessary steps that they ought to have taken as directors in order to make themselves aware of all relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

### **DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)** FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

On behalf of the board

P J Issitt

Director 22-06-21

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

#### TO THE MEMBERS OF CROWLAND CRANES LTD

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Crowland Cranes Ltd (the 'company') for the year ended 31 October 2020 which comprise the statement of income and retained earnings, the balance sheet and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 October 2020 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
   and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### **Basis for opinion**

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

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

- the information given in the strategic report and the directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the strategic report and the directors' report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED) TO THE MEMBERS OF CROWLAND CRANES LTD

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

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the strategic report and the directors' report.

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

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

#### Responsibilities of directors

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

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an 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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Garry Wiles FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of Stephenson Smart & Co

Chartered Accountants

24 June 5021

Statutory Auditor

36 Tyndall Court
Commerce Road
Lynch Wood

Peterborough PE2 6LR

# STATEMENT OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

		2020	2019
		£	£
Turnover	3	6,828,262	9,042,283
Cost of sales		(5,035,384)	(6,105,220)
Gross profit		1,792,878	2,937,063
Administrative expenses		(1,114,227)	(1,030,513)
Other operating income		373,924	126,688
Operating profit	4	1,052,575	2,033,238
Interest receivable and similar income	7	4,262	11,909
Interest payable and similar expenses	8	(9,799)	(9,002)
Profit before taxation		1,047,038	2,036,145
Tax on profit	9	2,748	(260,220)
Profit for the financial year		1,049,786	1,775,925
Retained earnings brought forward		6,345,456	9,175,531
Dividends	10	(800,000)	(4,606,000)
Retained earnings carried forward		6,595,242	6,345,456

The profit and loss account has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

# BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2020

		20	20	2019	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	12		5,155,705		5,220,074
Investments	13		1		1
			5,155,706		5,220,075
Current assets					
Stocks	15	819,937		889,205	
Debtors	16	1,113,086		1,286,227	,
Cash at bank and in hand		2,096,689		2,101,245	
		4,029,712		4,276,677	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	17	(1,374,724)		(2,146,069)	•
Net current assets			2,654,988		2,130,608
Total assets less current liabilities			7,810,694		7,350,683
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	18		(383,362)		(49,390)
Provisions for liabilities					
Deferred tax liability	20	822,090		945,837	
·			(822,090)	<del></del>	(945,837)
Net assets			6,605,242		6,355,456
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Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	23		10,000		10,000
Profit and loss reserves			6,595,242		6,345,456
Total equity			6,605,242		6,355,456

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on .....22\\\292\\
and are signed on its behalf by:

P J Issitt Director

Company Registration No. 03053963

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

#### 1 Accounting policies

#### Company information

Crowland Cranes Ltd is a private company limited by shares incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Crease Drove, Crowland, PE6 0BN.

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest  $\mathfrak{L}$ .

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

This company is a qualifying entity for the purposes of FRS 102, being a member of a group where the parent of that group prepares publicly available consolidated financial statements, including this company, which are intended to give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the group. The company has therefore taken advantage of exemptions from the following disclosure requirements:

- Section 7 'Statement of Cash Flows': Presentation of a statement of cash flow and related notes and disclosures;
- Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instrument Issues': Interest income/expense and net gains/losses for each category of financial instrument; basis of determining fair values; details of collateral, loan defaults or breaches, details of hedges, hedging fair value changes recognised in profit or loss and in other comprehensive income;
- Section 26 'Share based Payment': Share-based payment expense charged to profit or loss, reconciliation of opening and closing number and weighted average exercise price of share options, how the fair value of options granted was measured, measurement and carrying amount of liabilities for cash-settled share-based payments, explanation of modifications to arrangements;
- Section 33 'Related Party Disclosures': Compensation for key management personnel.

The financial statements of the company are consolidated in the financial statements of Crowland Cranes (Holdings) Limited. These consolidated financial statements are available from the company's registered office at Crease Drove, Crowland, Peterborough, England, PE6 0BN.

#### 1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the directors are confident that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the directors continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

#### 1.3 Turnover

Turnover is recognised at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business, and is shown net of VAT.

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods have passed to the buyer (usually on dispatch of the goods), the amount of revenue can be measured reliably, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the entity and the costs incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transaction can be measured reliably.

Revenue for the provision of services is recognised when it is probable that an economic benefit will flow to the entity and the revenue and costs can be reliably measured on a time apportioned basis.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

#### 1 Accounting policies

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#### 1.4 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold buildings

2% per annum of cost

Improvements to leasehold property

written off over lease term

Freehold land

Motor vehicles

nil

Plant and machinery Fixtures and fittings

5%-10% per annum of written down value 30% per annum of written down value

25% per annum of written down value

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is credited or charged to profit or loss.

#### 1.5 Fixed asset investments

Interests in subsidiaries are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. The investments are assessed for impairment at each reporting date and any impairment losses or reversals of impairment losses are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

A subsidiary is an entity controlled by the company. Control is the power to govern the financial and operating policies of the entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities.

#### 1.6 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting period end date, the company reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

#### 1.7 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost comprises the costs of goods sold and materials and, where applicable, direct labour costs and those overheads that have been incurred in bringing the stocks to their present location and condition.

#### 1.8 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand are basic financial assets and include cash in hand and deposits held with banks.

#### 1.9 Financial instruments

The company has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the company's balance sheet when the company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

#### 1 Accounting policies

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#### Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include trade and other debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

#### Other financial assets

Other financial assets, including investments in equity instruments which are not subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures, are initially measured at fair value, which is normally the transaction price. Such assets are subsequently carried at fair value and the changes in fair value are recognised in profit or loss, except that investments in equity instruments that are not publicly traded and whose fair values cannot be measured reliably are measured at cost less impairment.

#### Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets, other than those held at fair value through profit and loss, are assessed for indicators of impairment at each reporting end date.

Financial assets are impaired where there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows have been affected. If an asset is impaired, the impairment loss is the difference between the carrying amount and the present value of the estimated cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. The impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

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

#### Derecognition of financial assets

Financial assets are derecognised only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or when the company transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to another entity, or if some significant risks and rewards of ownership are retained but control of the asset has transferred to another party that is able to sell the asset in its entirety to an unrelated third party.

#### Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other creditors, finance lease and hire purchase liabilities and loans from fellow group companies are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

#### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### Other financial liabilities

Derivatives, including interest rate swaps and forward foreign exchange contracts, are not basic financial instruments. Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at their fair value. Changes in the fair value of derivatives are recognised in profit or loss in finance costs or finance income as appropriate, unless hedge accounting is applied and the hedge is a cash flow hedge.

Debt instruments that do not meet the conditions in FRS 102 paragraph 11.9 are subsequently measured at fair value through profit or loss. Debt instruments may be designated as being measured at fair value through profit or loss to eliminate or reduce an accounting mismatch or if the instruments are measured and their performance evaluated on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy.

#### Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the company's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

#### 1.10 Equity instruments

Equity instruments issued by the company are recorded at the proceeds received, net of transaction costs. Dividends payable on equity instruments are recognised as liabilities once they are no longer at the discretion of the company.

Changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as fair value hedges are recognised in profit or loss immediately, together with any changes in the fair value of the hedged asset or liability that are attributable to the hedged risk.

#### 1.11 Taxation

The tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

#### Current tax

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from net profit as reported in the profit and loss account because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes items that are never taxable or deductible. The company's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting end date.

#### Deferred tax

Deferred tax is provided in full in respect of taxation deferred by timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the liability is settled or the asset is realised. The deferred tax balance has not been discounted.

#### 1.12 Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense.

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employees' services are received.

#### 1.13 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

#### 1 Accounting policies

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#### 1.14 Leases

Leases are classified as finance leases whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessees. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

Assets held under finance leases are recognised as assets at the lower of the asset's fair value at the date of inception and the present value of the minimum lease payments. The related liability is included in the balance sheet as a finance lease obligation. Lease payments are treated as consisting of capital and interest elements. The interest is charged to profit or loss so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability.

Rentals payable under operating leases, including any lease incentives received, are charged to income on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

Rental income from operating leases is recognised on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

#### 1.15 Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable when there is reasonable assurance that the grant conditions will be met and the grants will be received.

A grant that specifies performance conditions is recognised in income when the performance conditions are met. Where a grant does not specify performance conditions it is recognised in income when the proceeds are received or receivable. A grant received before the recognition criteria are satisfied is recognised as a liability.

Government grants receivable for the purchase of fixed assets are released to the Profit and Loss Account on a systematic basis over the useful economic life of the assets that have been acquired with the grant.

Grants receivable and not released to the Profit and Loss Account are treated as deferred income.

#### 1.16 Foreign exchange

Transactions in currencies other than pounds sterling are recorded at the rates of exchange prevailing at the dates of the transactions. At each reporting end date, monetary assets and liabilities that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the reporting end date. Gains and losses arising on translation in the period are included in profit or loss.

#### 2 Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the company's accounting policies, the directors are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

#### 2 Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

(Continued)

2019

2020

#### **Key sources of estimation uncertainty**

The estimates and assumptions which have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities are as follows.

#### Depreciation

Depreciation is recognised to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives at the rates detailed in Note 1.4. The provision for depreciation at the reporting end date was £1,563,794. Further detail of the amounts provided at the beginning and end of the period, together with the charge for the year is shown in Note 12.

#### 3 Turnover and other revenue

2020		
£		
	Turnover analysed by class of business	
6,828,262	Crane sales, hire and repair	
2020		
£		
	Other significant revenue	
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2020		
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	Operating profit	4
2020		
£	Operating profit for the year is stated after charging/(crediting):	
	Exchange differences apart from those arising on financial instruments	
25,795	measured at fair value through profit or loss	
(272,923)	Government grants receivable and released to Profit and Loss account	
	Fees payable to the company's auditor for the audit of the company's	
8,250	financial statements	
288,048	Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	
41,986	Depreciation of tangible fixed assets held under finance leases	
74,262	Loss/(profit) on disposal of tangible fixed assets	
3,388,931	Cost of stocks recognised as an expense	
134,499	Operating lease charges	
	2020 £ 4,262 272,923 108,501  2020 £ 6,440,648 387,614 6,828,262  2020 £ 25,795 (272,923) 8,250 288,048 41,986 74,262 3,388,931	Turnover analysed by class of business Crane sales, hire and repair  6,828,262  2020 £  Other significant revenue Interest income Government grants receivable and released to Profit and Loss account Rental income  108,501  108,5

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

#### 5 Employees

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The average monthly number of persons (including directors) employed by the company during the year was:

	2020 Number	2019 Number
Management and administration	5	5
Production	58	57
Total	63	62
Their aggregate remuneration comprised:		
	2020	2019
	£	£
Wages and salaries	2,056,276	2,136,061
Social security costs	218,326	229,629
Pension costs	83,408	77,237
	2,358,010	2,442,927
Directors' remuneration		
	2020	2019
	£	£
Remuneration for qualifying services	18,939	17,977

The number of directors for whom retirement benefits are accruing under defined contribution pension schemes amounted to 2 (2019 - 2).

#### 7 Interest receivable and similar income

	2020	2019
	£	£
Interest income		
Interest on bank deposits	3,896	7,105
Other interest income	366	4,804
Total income	4,262	11,909

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

8	Interest payable and similar expenses		
		2020 £	2019 £
	Interest on finance leases and hire purchase contracts	9,799	8,959
	Other interest	-	43
		9,799	9,002
		<del></del>	<del></del>
9	Taxation		
		2020	2019
		£	£
	Current tax	404.000	075.445
	UK corporation tax on profits for the current period	121,000	275,145
	Deferred tax		
	Origination and reversal of timing differences	(123,748)	(14,925)
	Total tax (credit)/charge	(2,748)	260,220
	profit or loss and the standard rate of tax as follows:		
		2020	2019
		2020 £	2019 £
	Profit before taxation		
		£	£
	Profit before taxation  Expected tax charge based on the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.00% (2019: 19.00%)	£	£
	Expected tax charge based on the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK	1,047,038 ———	2,036,145 ———
	Expected tax charge based on the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.00% (2019: 19.00%)	1,047,038 ————————————————————————————————————	2,036,145 ====================================
	Expected tax charge based on the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.00% (2019: 19.00%)  Tax effect of expenses that are not deductible in determining taxable profit Gains not taxable  Group relief	1,047,038 198,937 1,385 594 (203,901)	2,036,145 386,868 1,486 (1,680) (81,445)
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# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

Goodwill						Intangible fixed assets	11
£						Cost	
1,500				)	October 2020	At 1 November 2019 and 31	
1,500				)		Amortisation and impairme At 1 November 2019 and 31	
						Carrying amount At 31 October 2020	
-						At 31 October 2019	
						Tangible fixed assets	12
Total	Motor vehicles	Fixtures and fittings	Plant and machinery	mprovements to leasehold property	Freehold l buildings		
£	£	£	£	£	£		
						Cost	
6,835,141	463,326	81,557	6,062,693	4,140	223,425	At 1 November 2019	
1,074,632	23,542	95,847	169,098	-	786,145	Additions	
(966,849)	(26,500)	(10,349)	(930,000)	-	-	Disposals	
						Transfers to group	
(223,425)			-		(223,425)	company	
6,719,499	460,368	167,055	5,301,791	4,140	786,145	At 31 October 2020	
						Depreciation and impairment	
1,615,067	211,268	58,452	1,336,473	4,140	4,734	At 1 November 2019	
330,034	64,269	18,164	246,351	_	1,250	Depreciation charged in the year	
000,001	0.,200		210,001		1,200	Eliminated in respect of	
(376,573)	(20,683)	(9,687)	(346,203)	-	-	disposals	
, ,	` ' '	, , ,				Transfers to group	
(4,734)				-	(4,734)	company	
1,563,794	254,854	66,929	1,236,621	4,140	1,250	At 31 October 2020	
						Carrying amount	
5,155,705	205,514	100,126	4,065,170	<del>-</del>	784,895	At 31 October 2020	
<u>=</u> 5,220,074	252,058	23,105	4,726,220	-	218,691	At 31 October 2019	

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

12	Tangible fixed assets			(Continued)
	The net carrying value of tangible fixed assets includes th finance leases or hire purchase contracts.	e following in I	respect of assets	held under
			2020	2019
			£	£
	Plant and machinery		733,245 =======	1,196,128
13	Fixed asset investments		*	
			2020	2019
		Notes	£	£
	Investments in subsidiaries	14	1	1

#### Fixed asset investments not carried at market value

The investments are shown in the accounts at historical cost and represent the share held in Universal Cranes Limited, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Crowland Cranes Limited.

#### 14 Subsidiaries

Details of the company's subsidiaries at 31 October 2020 are as follows:

	Name of undertaking	Registered office	Class of shares held	% Held Direct
	Universal Cranes Limited	United Kingdom	Ordinary	100.00
15	Stocks			
			2020 £	2019 £
	Finished goods and goods for resale		819,937 ———	889,205 ————
16	Debtors		2000	2040
	Amounts falling due within one year	r:	2020 £	2019 £
	Trade debtors		1,029,695	1,187,000
	Other debtors		7,761	7,487
	Prepayments and accrued income		75,630	91,740
			1,113,086	1,286,227
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# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			
	•		2020	2019
		Notes	£	£
	Obligations under hire purchase and finance leases	19	49,390	156,018
	Trade creditors		184,323	276,251
	Amounts owed to group undertakings		534,301	992,653
	Corporation tax		42,737	111,922
	Other taxation and social security		313,240	332,725
	Other creditors	•	11,998	93,578
	Accruals and deferred income		238,735	182,922
			1,374,724	2,146,069
18	Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one yea	r Notes	2020 £	2019 £
	Obligations under hire purchase and finance leases	19		
			_	49 390
	Deferred income	21	- 383,362	49,390 -
	Deferred income		383,362	49,390
	Obligations under hire purchase and finance leases are see	21	383,362	-
19	·	21	383,362 ————————————————————————————————————	49,390
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Finance lease payments represent rentals payable by the company for certain items of plant and machinery. Leases include purchase options at the end of the lease period, and no restrictions are placed on the use of the assets. The average lease term remaining is 1 year. All leases are on a fixed repayment basis and no arrangements have been entered into for contingent rental payments.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

#### 20 Deferred taxation

The following are the major deferred tax liabilities and assets recognised by the company and movements thereon:

	thereon:		
	Palamana	Liabilities 2020	Liabilities 2019
	Balances:	£	£
	Accelerated capital allowances	822,090 <del></del>	945,837
21	Government grants		
		2020 £	2019 £
	Arising from government grants	383,362	-
		383,362	-
	Deferred income is included in the financial statements as follows:	2020 £	2019 £
	Non-current liabilities	383,362	-
		383,362	-
22	Retirement benefit schemes		
	Defined contribution pension schemes	2020 £	2019 £
	Charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes	83,408	77,237
	The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifyin the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently		
23	Share capital		
		2020 £	2019 £
	Ordinary share capital Issued and fully paid		
	10,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	10,000	10,000

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

#### 24 Operating lease commitments

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At the reporting end date the company had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:	ire minimum leas	e payments
,	2020	2019
	£	£
Within one year	118,226	122,226
Between two and five years	47,291	139,516
•	165,517	261,742
Capital commitments		
Amounts contracted for but not provided in the financial statements:		
	2020 £	2019 £
Acquisition of tangible fixed assets	1,381,156	149,375
Related party transactions		•
Transactions with related parties The following amounts were outstanding at the reporting end date:		
Amounts due to related parties	2020 £	2019 £

10,639

523,662

469,291

523,362

No interest is charged on the above amounts.

Entities with control, joint control or significant

Entities over which the entity has control, joint

influence over the company

control or significant influence

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

#### 26 Related party transactions

(Continued)

The company has taken advantage of the FRS 102 exemption not to disclose transactions with members of a wholly owned group.

During the year, work was carried out for TMC Lifting Supplies, a partnership owned by the two directors. The value of this work amounted to £116,431 (2019: £113,641) and normal terms of business were applied. Costs recharged from TMC Lifting Supplies in the year amounted to £111,577 (2019: £80,337). The total amount owed to the company by TMC Lifting Supplies at 31 October 2020 was £11,471 (2019: £12,442).

During the year, a market rent of £63,000 (2019: £62,458) was paid to the Trustees of Thorney Machinery Self - Invested Pension Scheme. This is a pension scheme in which the company directors are members. Property improvement costs totalling £5,536 (2019: £7,713) were recharged to the pension scheme during the year. The total owing to the company by the Trustees of Thorney Machinery Pension Scheme at 31 October 2020 was £34,123 (2019: £64,123).

During the year a market rent of £52,000 (2019: £59,420) was payable to a Small Self Administered Pension Scheme, P & J SSAS, set up for the benefit of the company's directors, P J Issitt and J M Issitt. The total owing to P&J SSAS at 31 October 2020 was £31,200 (2019: £Nil) as a six month rent deferral period was agreed with the Trustees of the pension scheme in March 2020. In addition interest totalling £Nil (2019: £4,532) was charged by the company to P & J SSAS on a loan which was repaid in full in the year ended 31 October 2019.

#### 27 Directors' transactions

At 31 October 2020, the company owed its directors £4,888 (2019 : £47,855). No interest is charged to the company by the directors.

#### 28 Ultimate controlling party

The company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Crowland Cranes (Holdings) Limited, which is the parent undertaking. Crowland Cranes (Holdings) Limited prepare consolidated accounts which are available from Crease Drove, Crowland, Peterborough, PE6 0BN.

Ultimate ownership of the company remains with Mr P J Issitt and Mrs J M Issitt.