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# XL RECORDINGS LIMITED REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

# **Directors**

Martin Mills Richard Russell

# **Company number**

3126277

# **Registered Office**

17-19 Alma Road London SW18 1AA

# Auditors

SRLV 89 New Bond Street London W1S 1DA

# XL RECORDINGS LIMITED DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2011

# Principal activities and business review

The principal activity of the company during the year continued to be that of the production and sale of sound recordings and the licensing of such operations

#### **Business review**

Releases during the year included the album "21" by Adele, which achieved phenomenal success worldwide. The next Adele album may not come for some years, and it's impossible to predict its likely sales. We therefore regard this year's figures as exceptional.

# Principal risks and uncertainties

The value of the worldwide market for physical sales of recorded music continues to decline whilst digital sales are increasing. It is unclear whether the decline in physical sales will be offset by the increase in digital sales so there is a possibility of a future reduction in turnover, and consequent reduction in profitability.

The group relies on the success of a number of key artists and as such continues to identify and sign new artists. The group's future is dependent on its ability to achieve success with these new artists as well as its ability to continue to exploit its existing growing catalogue successfully.

The group's principal financial instruments comprise bank balances, trade creditors and trade debtors

Due to the nature of the financial instruments used by the group, there is no exposure to price risk. The group's approach to managing other risks applicable to the financial instruments concerned is shown below.

In respect of bank balances, the liquidity risk is managed by maintaining sufficient cash balances

Trade debtors are managed in respect of credit and cash flow risk by policies concerning the credit offered to customers and regular monitoring of amounts outstanding for both time and credit limits

Trade creditors liquidity risk is managed by ensuring sufficient funds are available to meet amounts due

# Key performance indicators

The group uses a number of performance indicators to monitor and manage the business effectively. The key performance indicators for the year ended 31 December 2011, with comparatives for the year ended 31 December 2010, are laid out below.

	2011 £	2010 £
Turnover including share of associates and joint ventures	112,720,509	22,408,572
Total operating profit	41,673,284	4,116,382
Number of releases	9	12

# **Future developments**

The success of the Adele album "21" will not be repeated in 2012 and consequently there will be falls in both Turnover and Profits The directors will pursue their management policies and it is anticipated that the group will continue to trade satisfactorily in the ensuing year

# Events after the balance sheet date

No post balance sheet events took place

# Results and dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 5

An interim ordinary dividend was paid amounting to £17,000,000  $\,$  The directors do not recommend payment of a final dividend

# XL RECORDINGS LIMITED DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

#### Directors

The following directors have held office since 1 January 2011

Martin Mills Richard Russell

#### Directors' insurance

The company maintains insurance policies on behalf of the directors against liability arising from negligence, breach of duty and breach of trust in relation to the company

#### Fixed assets

Changes in fixed assets are shown in the notes to the financial statements. In the opinion of the directors, the market value of interests in land and buildings held as fixed assets at the balance sheet date were in excess of their book value.

#### Charitable donations

During the year the group made the following payments

	2011 £	2010 £
Charitable donations	36,893	1,866

A donation of £25,200 was made to Drop4drop, a non-governmental organisation, whose mission is to alleviate the global water crisis, by giving individuals and businesses the opportunity to offset their water consumption, delivering efficient and accountable clean water projects across the developing world. Another donation of £9,603 was made to Amnesty International, that conducts research and generate action to prevent and end grave abuses of human rights, and to demand justice for those whose rights have been violated around the world. Small donations totalling £2,090 (2010 £1,866) to various other charities were also made

# **Auditors**

SRLV have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditors. They are deemed to be reappointed under section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006.

# Statement of the directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Director's Report and 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,
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures
  disclosed and explained in the financial statements,
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business

# XL RECORDINGS LIMITED DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

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.

The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the company website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

# Statement of disclosure to auditor

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware. Additionally, they have taken all the necessary steps that they ought to have taken as directors in order to make themselves aware of all relevant information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information

Approved by the board of directors on 27 September 2011 and signed on behalf of the board

Martin Mılls

Director

# XL RECORDINGS LIMITED INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF XL RECORDINGS LIMITED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

We have audited the financial statements of XL Recordings Limited for the year ended 31 December 2011 which comprise the Group Profit and Loss Account, the Group and Parent Company Balance Sheets, the Group Cash Flow Statement and the related notes 
The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

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 member those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's member as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or the opinion we have formed

# Respective responsibilities of the directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 2, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

# Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the group's and the parent company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors, and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Directors' Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

# Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion, the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and of the parent company's affairs as at 31 December 2011 and of the group's 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

# Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

# Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

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

- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit

Marc Voulters (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of SRLV

28 September 2012

Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditor 89 New Bond Street London W1S 1DA

# XL RECORDINGS LIMITED GROUP PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

	Notes	2011 £	2010 £
Turnover including share of associates and joint ventures		112,720,509	22,408,572
Less share of turnover of Joint ventures Associates		(6,145) (1,017,291)	(8,483) (1,024,344)
Group turnover	1,2	111,697,073	21,375,745
Cost of sales		(43,960,964)	(8,007,584)
Gross profit		67,736,109	13,368,161
Distribution expenses Administrative expenses Other operating income		(16,514,727) (9,948,020) 389,496	(3,837,873) (5,429,323)
Group operating profit	3	41,662,858	4,100,965
Share of operating profit from joint ventures Share of operating loss from associates	6 6	2,809 7,617	3,348 12,069
Total operating profit		41,673,284	4,116,382
Net finance income	7	24,887	3,901_
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		41,698,171	4,120,283
Tax charge on profit on ordinary activities	8	(11,065,166)	(1,195,655)
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		30,633,005	2,924,628
Equity minority interests	20	-	-
Profit for the financial year	21	30,633,005	2,924,628

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

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the profit and loss account

# XL RECORDINGS LIMITED GROUP BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

	Notes	£	2011 £	£	2010 £
Fixed assets Tangible assets	10		1,723,025		1,032,260
Investments Associated undertakings	11	189,216	189,216	181,598	181,598
			1,912,241		1,213,858
Current assets Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	12 13	524,540 17,584,235 37,082,156 55,190,931		178,920 4,929,793 2,543,277 7,651,990	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	(39,569,625)		(4,961,994)	
Net current assets			15,621,306	•	2,689,996
Total assets less current liabilities			17,533,547		3,903,854
Provisions for liabilities and charges Investment in joint ventures Share of gross assets Share of gross liabilities		5,117 (915,470)	(040.053)	7,532 (920,642)	(555)
Net assets	15		(910,353)		(913,110)
Capital and reserves Called up share capital Profit and loss account	17 18		1,000 16,622,194		1,000 2,989,189
Total shareholders' funds			16,623,194		2,990,189

Approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 27 September 2012

Martin Mills
Director

Company Registration Number 3126277

# XL RECORDINGS LIMITED COMPANY BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

	Notes	£	2011 £	£	2010 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets Investments	10 11		1,031,451 201,141		1,032,260
mvestments	11		201,141		201,141
			1,232,592		1,233,401
Current assets					
Stocks	12	524,540		178,920	
Debtors	13	17,317,686		3,969,160	
Cash at bank		37,081,384		2,542,529 6,690,609	
		54,923,610		6,690,609	
Creditors amounts falling due within one year	14	(39,542,238)		(4,918,255)	
Net current assets			15,381,372		1,772,354
Total assets less current assets			16,613,964		3,005,755
Provision for liabilities			-		(555)
Net assets			16,613,964		3,005,200
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	17		1,000		1,000
Profit and loss account	18		16,612,964		3,004,200
Shareholders' funds	19		16,613,964		3,005,200

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Martin Mills Director

Company Registration Number: 3126277

# XL RECORDINGS LIMITED GROUP CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

	Notes	£	2011 £	£	2010 £
Net cash inflow from operating activities	Α		56,548,393		4,479,592
Returns on investments and servicing of finance Interest received Interest paid		39,918 (15,031)		4,094 (193)	
Net cash inflow for returns on investments and servicing of finance			24,887		3,901
Corporation tax paid			(4,260,726)		(545,515)
Capital expenditure and financial investment Proceeds from sale of tangible assets Payments to acquire tangible assets		6,000 (779,675)		- (36,661)	
Net outflow for capital expenditure			(773,675)		(36,661)
Equity dividends paid			(17,000,000)		(1,500,000)
Net cash inflow before management of liquid resourcing & financing	С		34,538,879		2,401,317
Increase in cash in the year			34,538,879		2,401,317

# XL RECORDINGS LIMITED NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

		2011 £	2010 £
A Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash inflow from operating activities			
Operating profit Depreciation of tangible assets		41,662,857 85,267	4,100,965 69,493
Profit on disposal of tangible assets Increase in stock Increase in debtors		(2,357) (345,619) (12,654,443)	(4,953) (793,783)
Increase in creditors within one year  Net cash inflow from operating activities		27,802,688 56,548,393	1,107,870 4,479,592
B. Analysis of net cash	At 1 Jan	Cash Flow	At 31 Dec
Net cash	2011		2011
Cash at bank and in hand	2,543,277	34,538,879	37,082,156
Net cash	2,543,277	34,538,879	37,082,156
C Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in the net cash		2011 £	2010 £
Increase in cash in the year		34,538,879	2,401,317
Movement in net cash in the year		34,538,879	2,401,317
Opening net cash		2,543,277	141,960
Closing net cash		37,082,156	2,543,277

# XL RECORDINGS LIMITED NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

# 1. Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), which have been applied consistently (except as otherwise stated)

#### Basis of consolidation

The consolidated accounts incorporate the accounts of the company and all group undertakings, together with the group's share of the net assets and results of associated undertakings and joint ventures. These are adjusted, where appropriate, to conform to group accounting policies. Acquisitions are accounted for under the acquisition method and goodwill arising on consolidation is capitalised and written off over ten or twenty years from the year of acquisition.

The results of companies acquired or disposed of are included in the profit and loss account after or up to the date that control passes respectively

As a consolidated profit and loss account is published, a separate profit and loss account for the parent company is omitted from the group accounts by virtue of Section 408 of the Companies Act 2006 The profit dealt with in the accounts of the parent company was £30,608,764 (2010 profit £2,909,241)

#### Turnover

Turnover represents the value of goods and services provided to customers during the year and is net of discounts, value added tax and provisions for goods likely to be returned

#### Advances to artistes

Advances to artistes, presented within debtors on the balance sheet, represent advances made directly to artistes for recording and other costs incurred on behalf of artistes under contract. These advances, which are only recoverable against future royalties, are charged to the profit and loss account as they are recouped or where the probability of future recoupment in respect thereof is unlikely

# Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets other than freehold land are stated at cost or valuation less depreciation and any provision for impairment. Depreciation is calculated as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows

Land and buildings Freehold Fixtures, fittings and equipment Motor vehicles 2% on cost per annum 20-25% per annum on a reducing balance basis 25% per annum on a reducing balance basis

# Stock

Stock is valued at the lower cost of net realisable value

# XL RECORDINGS LIMITED NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

# 1 Accounting Policies (continued)

#### **Taxation**

Deferred taxation is provided in full on timing differences that result in an obligation at the balance sheet date to pay more tax, or a right to pay less tax, at a future date, at rates expected to apply when they crystallise based on current tax rates and law. Timing differences arise from the inclusion of items of income and expenditure in taxation computations in periods different from those in which they are included in the financial statements.

Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is regarded as more likely than not that they will be recovered. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Current tax, including UK corporation tax and foreign tax, is provided at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date

# Foreign currencies

# Company

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating profit.

# Group

The accounts of overseas subsidiary undertakings are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. The exchange differences arising on the retranslation of opening net assets are taken directly to reserves. All other translation differences are taken to the profit and loss account.

# Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost less provision for diminution in value

# **Deferred income**

Deferred income represents non returnable advances on royalties receivable from other record companies. These advances are credited to revenue as the royalty income arises or where the probability of future income in respect thereof is removed.

# XL RECORDINGS LIMITED NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

2. Turnover		
The turnover attributable to the principal activities of the group is as follows	2011 £	2010 £
Rental income Sales and licensing of sound recordings Synchronisation and performance income	42,790 108,129,702 3,524,581	- 18,528,286 2,847,459
	111,697,073	21,375,745
Turnover is analysed by geographical markets as follows		
UK Rest of world	30,848,495 80,848,578	6,470,018 14,905,727
	111,697,073	21,375,745
3 Operating Profit		
o operaning com	2011 £	2010 £
Operating profit is stated after charging/(crediting)	-	-
Depreciation Profit on disposal of fixed assets	85,267 (2,357)	69,493
Net loss/(gain) on foreign currency translation	253,914	(16,238)
The audit and tax fees have been borne by another related company in bo	oth the current and	d previous year
A Information regarding employees	2011	2010
4. Information regarding employees	2011 No	2010 No
4. Information regarding employees  Average number of persons employed (including directors)		
Average number of persons employed (including directors)  Management	No 3	No 3
Average number of persons employed (including directors)  Management	No 3 13	No 3 13
Average number of persons employed (including directors)  Management Administration  The aggregate payroll costs of the above were:  Staff costs during the year	3 13 16	No 3 13 —————————————————————————————————
Average number of persons employed (including directors)  Management Administration  The aggregate payroll costs of the above were:	No 3 13	No 3 13
Average number of persons employed (including directors)  Management Administration  The aggregate payroll costs of the above were:  Staff costs during the year Wages and salaries	No  3 13  16	No  3 13 16  1,248,559
Average number of persons employed (including directors)  Management Administration  The aggregate payroll costs of the above were:  Staff costs during the year Wages and salaries	No  3 13  16  1,772,383 222,221	No  3 13  16  1,248,559 147,991
Average number of persons employed (including directors)  Management Administration  The aggregate payroll costs of the above were:  Staff costs during the year Wages and salaries Social security costs	No  3 13  16  1,772,383 222,221	No  3 13  16  1,248,559 147,991
Average number of persons employed (including directors)  Management Administration  The aggregate payroll costs of the above were:  Staff costs during the year Wages and salaries Social security costs	1,772,383 222,221 1,994,604	1,248,559 147,991 1,396,550
Average number of persons employed (including directors)  Management Administration  The aggregate payroll costs of the above were:  Staff costs during the year Wages and salaries Social security costs  5. Directors' emoluments  The directors' aggregate emoluments in respect of qualifying services were	3 13 16 1,772,383 222,221 1,994,604 2011 £	3 13 16 1,248,559 147,991 1,396,550 2010 £
Average number of persons employed (including directors)  Management Administration  The aggregate payroll costs of the above were:  Staff costs during the year Wages and salaries Social security costs  5. Directors' emoluments  The directors' aggregate emoluments in respect of qualifying services were	3 13 16 1,772,383 222,221 1,994,604 2011 £	3 13 16 1,248,559 147,991 1,396,550 2010 £

# XL RECORDINGS LIMITED NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

	2011 £	2010
6. Share of profits from other fixed asset investments	£	£
Net share of operating profit of associates Net share of operating profit of joint ventures	7,617 2,809	12,069 3,348
	10,426	15,417
The share of the operating profits/(losses) of the associates relates to Ro $£7,617$ The share of the operating profits/(losses) in joint ventures re $£2,809$	ugh Trade Retail ( lates to Mowax L	Group Limited – abels Limited –
7. Finance Income (net)	2011 £	2010 £
Interest receivable and similar income Interest receivable – bank interest	39,918	4,094
Interest payable and similar charges		
Interest payable on bank borrowing Other similar charges payable	(230) (14,801)	(193) -
	24,887	3,901
8. Tax charge on profit on ordinary activities	2011 £	2010 £
(a) Analysis of charge in period		
Current taxation		
UK corporation tax for the year	11,067,718	1,195,625
Adjustment in respect of prior years  Double taxation relief	533 (149,163)_	(32,528)
	10,919,088	1,163,097
Foreign tax for current period	146,581	32,528
Share of joint ventures' tax	52	30
Total current tax charge on profit on ordinary activities	11,065,721	1,195,655
Deferred tax		
Deferred tax charge/credit current year	(555)	-
Total current tax charge on profit on ordinary activities	11,065,166	1,195,655
(b) Factors affecting tax charge for period		
The actual tax charge for the current and the previous year differs from the out in the following reconciliation	e standard rate for	the reasons set
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	41,698,170	4,120,278
Profit on ordinary activities before tax charge multiplied by standard rate of UK corporation tax of 26 50% (2010 - 28%)	11,050,015	1,153,678
Factors affecting charge for the period		
Expenses not deductable for tax purposes	27,640 10,467	45,889 19,458
Depreciation add back Capital allowances	19,467 (20,344)	(18,563)
Tax losses utilised	(641)	(929)
Other tax adjustments	(10,416)	(3,878)
	15,706	41,977
Current tax charge	11,065,721	1,195,655
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# XL RECORDINGS LIMITED NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

# 8. Tax charge on profit on ordinary activities (continued)

# (c) Factors that may affect future tax charges

A deferred tax asset for the group has not been recognised in respect of a provision against related party balances as well as trading losses carried forward as there is insufficient evidence that the asset will be recovered. The amount of the asset not recognised is £534,722 (2010 £535,508). The asset would be recovered through repayment or write off of the loan and if there are sufficient profits from the same trade in the same company in future years against which the losses can be used.

# 9. Dividends

The following dividends have been paid in respect of the year	2011 £	2010 £
Dividends paid on ordinary equity shares of £17,000 (2010 £1,500) per share	17,000,000	1,500,000

# 10 Fixed Assets

	Freehold and leasehold property	Fixtures & fittings	Motor vehicles	Total
	£	£	£	£
Group Cost or Valuation				
At 1 January 2011	1,167,291	254,640	71,819	1,493,750
Additions	702,672	47,003	30,000	779,675
Disposals	-	(9,628)	(18,654)	(28,282)
At 31 December 2011	1,869,963	292,015	83,165	2,245,143
Depreciation				
At 1 January 2011	281,828	133,589	46,073	461,490
Charge for year	34,444	39,490	11,333	85,267
Disposals	-	(9,628)	(15,011)	(24,639)
At 31 December 2011	316,272	163,451	42,395	522,118
Net book value				
At 31 December 2011	1,553,691	128,564	40,770	1,723,025
	<del></del>			
At 31 December 2010	885,463	121,051	25,746	1,032,260
Company Cost or Valuation				
At 1 January 2011	1,167,291	254,640	71.819	1 400 750
Additions	1,167,291	254,640 46,295	71,819 30,000	1,493,750 76,295
Disposals	_	(9,628)	(18,654)	(28,282)
D13p03d13		(3,020)	(10,034)	(20,202)
At 31 December 2011	1,167,291	291,307	83,165	1,541,763
Depreciation				
At 1 January 2011	281,828	133,589	46,073	461,490
Charge for year	23,346	38,782	11,333	73,461
Disposals	23,370	(9,628)	(15,011)	(24,639)
·			<u> </u>	(24,039)
At 31 December 2011	305,174	162,743	42,395	510,312
Net book value				
At 31 December 2011	862,117	128,564	40,770	1,031,451
At 31 December 2010	885,463	121,051	25,746	1,032,260
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# XL RECORDINGS LIMITED NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

11. Investments		Associates	Total
_		£	£
Group Cost At 1 January 2011 Change in value		181,598 7,618	181,598 7,618
At 31 December 2011		189,216	189,216
Net book value At 31 December 2011		189,216	189,216
At 31 December 2010		181,598	181,598
	Associates	Joint	Total
	£	ventures £	£
Group associates and joint ventures Share of net assets/(liabilities)/cost	_	_	_
At 1 January 2011 Share of retained profit for the year	181,598 7,618	(913,110) 2,757	(731,512) 10,375
	189,216	(910,353)	(721,137)
Net book value			
At 31 December 2011	189,216	(910,353)	(721,137)
At 31 December 2010	181,598	(913,110)	(731,512)
The following information is given in respect of the grou	ıp's share of all joint v	ventures	
		2011 £	2010 £
Current assets		5,117	7,532
Liabilities due within one year		(915,470)	(920,642)

# Subsidiaries

The company owns more than 50% of the issued share capital of the following companies which have been consolidated for the year to 31 December 2011

Name	Nature of business	Country of incorporation	Class of shares held	% of shares held
XL Recordings Inc	Property holding company	United States of America	Ordinary	100%
Associates and joint ven	tures			
Mowax Labels Limited	Production and exploitation of sound recordings	England and Wales	Ordinary	50%
Rough Trade Retail Group Limited	Retailing of music records and related merchandise	England and Wales	Ordinary	35%
The Album Club Limited	Sales & Distribution of music goods	England and Wales	Ordinary	35% Indirect
Rough Trade Limited	Ceased Trading	England and Wales	Ordinary	35% Indirect

The accounting reference date for Rough Trade Retail Group Limited, The Album Club Limited and Rough Trade Limited is 31 March and the latest financial statements are for the year ended 31 March 2012. The consolidated accounts include figures for the period ended 31 December 2011.

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11. Investments (continued)		Subsidiary companies	Associated undertakings and joint ventures	Total
Company		£	£	£
Cost At 1 January 2011 and 31 December 2011		641	200,500	201,141
Net book value				·
At 31 December 2011		641	200,500	201,141
At 31 December 2010		641	200,500	201,141
12. Stocks	Gro	•	Compar	ıy
	2011 £	2010 £	2011 £	2010 £
Finished goods for resale	524,540	178,920_	524,540	178,920

There is no material difference between the balance sheet value of the stocks and their replacement cost

# 13. Debtors

	Gra	up	Сотрапу	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
	£	£	£	£
Trade debtors	177,835	412,147	177,835	412,147
Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings	· -	· -	658,905	-
Amounts owed by associated undertakings and joint ventures	996,400	980,952	79,400	63,952
Other debtors	15,993,267	2,784,174	15,989,085	2,784,173
Prepayments and accrued income	416,733	752,520	412,461	708,888
	17,584,235	4,929,793	17,317,686	3,969,160

# 14. Creditors, amounts falling due within one year

	Gra	up	Company	
	2011 £	2010 £	2011 £	2010 £
Trade creditors	19,107,359	1,542,848	19,107,359	1,542,848
Amounts owing to subsidiary undertakings	-	-	-	641
Amounts owing to participating interests	4,404	1,780	4,404	1,780
Other taxation and social security	2,901,700	127,748	2,901,700	127,748
Corporation taxation	7,968,040	1,163,097	7,968,040	1,163,097
Directors' current accounts	2,500	2,000	2,500	2,000
Other creditors	8,438,111	696,402	8,410,724	652,022
Accruals and deferred income	1,147,511	1,428,119	1,147,511	1,428,119
	39,569,625	4,961,994	39,542,238	4,918,255

# Security

The company's bankers hold a mortgage debenture over the assets of the company

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15. Provisions for liabilities and charges			
	Gro	oup	
	2011	2010	2011

Share of net liabilities of joint ventures	910,353	913,110	£ -	£ -
Provision carried forward	910,353	913,110	-	

Company

2010

See note 11 for movements on the provision for share of liabilities of joint ventures

# 16. Related party transactions

#### **Dividends to Directors**

The following directors were paid dividends during the year as out	lined in the table below 2011 £	2010 £
Richard Russell	8,500,000	750,000
	8,500,000	750,000

During the year, the company paid amounts in respect of general overhead charges to its shareholder, Beggars Group Limited, of £2,113,500 (2010 £1,799,500)

At the balance sheet date the company was due from Beggars Group Limited £15,985,333 (2010 £2,779,689) in respect of working capital loans

At the balance sheet date the company was owed £1,829,596 (2010 £1,832,220) by Mowax Labels Limited, a joint venture of XL Recordings Limited, in respect of working capital loans against which a provision of £1,829,596 (2010 - £1,832,220) was made

Costs of £nil (2010 £5,280) were incurred in the normal course of business with Rough Trade Retail Group Limited, an associated company, and no trade balances were due to or from the company at the year end At the balance sheet date Rough Trade Retail Group Limited owed the company £79,400 (2010 £63,900) in respect of working capital loans

# 17. Share capital

	2011	2011	2010	2010
Company	No	£	No	£
Allotted, called up and fully paid:				
Ordinary 'A' shares of £1 00 each	240	240	240	240
Ordinary 'B' shares of £1 00 each	240	240	240	240
Deferred shares of £1 00 each	520	520	520	520
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000

The 'A' shares and 'B' shares rank pari passu and are entitled to share equally in any dividend or other distribution declared by the company. The deferred shares do not carry a right to dividend, repayment of capital or voting entitlement.

18 Reserves		Profit and loss account
Group		£
Balance at 1 January 2011 Retained profit for the year Dividends paid		2,989,189 30,633,005 (17,000,000)
Balance at 31 December 2011		16,622,194
Company		Profit and loss account £
Company		3 004 300
Balance at 1 January 2011 Profit for the year Dividends paid		3,004,200 30,608,764 (17,000,000)
Balance at 31 December 2011		16,612,964
19. Reconciliation of movement is shareholders' funds	2011 £	2010 £
Group Equity shareholders' funds Profit for the financial year Dividends	30,633,005 (17,000,000)	2,924,628 (1,500,000)
Net addition to shareholders' funds	13,633,005	1,424,628
Opening shareholders' funds	2,989,189	1,564,561
Total shareholders' funds	16,622,194	2,989,189
Company	2011 £	2010 £
Profit for the financial year Dividends	30,608,764 (17,000,000)	2,909,241 _(1,500,000)
Net Addition to shareholders' funds		1 100 7 11
	13,608,764	1,409,241
Opening shareholders' funds	13,608,764 3,005,200	1,409,241

# 20. Controlling party

The parent of the smallest and largest group for which group accounts are prepared of which the company is a member is Beggars Group Limited, a company incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England and Wales. The immediate and ultimate parent company is Beggars Group Limited. A copy of the group financial statements may be obtained from the company's registered office.

The group is owned 50% by Beggars Group and 50% by Richard Russell Beggars Group Limited is controlled by Martin Mills. The directors do not consider that any of these parties is the ultimate controlling party and consider that control of the group is shared.