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Strategic Report

Principal activities

HSBC Property Funds (Holding) Limited ('the Company') acts as a holding company for companies established primarily to acquire and actively manage properties. No change in the Company's activities is anticipated.

The Company is a private limited company domiciled and incorporated in United Kingdom and registered in England and Wales. Its trading address is 8 Canada Square, London E14 5HQ, United Kingdom.

The Company is limited by shares.

Review of the Company's business

During the year the Company continued to act as a holding company for its subsidiary, HSIL Investments Limited. There were no investments made by the Company.

The business is funded by other group undertakings through equity investment and borrowings.

The Company has no employees and all the related services are provided by the parent company. No recharges were made in respect of these services.

Section 172 statement

Section 172 of the Companies Act 2006 requires a director of a Company to act in the way he or she considers, in good faith, would be most likely to promote the success of the Company for the benefit of its members as a whole. In doing this, section 172 requires a director to have regard, amongst other matters, to: the likely consequences of any decision in the long-term; the interests of the Company's employees; the need to foster the Company's business relationships with suppliers, customers and others; the impact of the Company's operations on the community and the environment; the desirability of the Company maintaining a reputation for high standards of business conduct; and the need to act fairly as between members of the Company.

As a Group, HSBC considers its stakeholders to be the people who work for us, bank with us, own us, regulate us and live in the societies we serve. The Board recognises that building strong relationships with our stakeholders will help us to deliver our strategy in line with our long-term values, and operate the business in a sustainable way.

As a non-trading holding Company, the principal stakeholder of the Company is the Company's parent entity. No decision was taken by the Board during the year other than those of a routine nature.

Performance

The Company's results for the year and financial position as at 31 December 2022 are as detailed in the income statement and the balance sheet on page 7 and page 8 of these financial statements respectively.

No dividends were received during the year ended 31 December 2022 from its subsidiary.

Key performance indicators ··

As the Company is managed as part of a global bank, there are no key performance indicators that are specific to the Company.

The key performance indicators are included in the annual report of its ultimate parent, HSBC Holdings plc. Ongoing review of performance of the Company within the overall Principal Investment business is carried out by comparing actual performance against annually set budgets.

Impact of Climate Risk

Climate risks have the potential to cause both financial and non-financial impacts for the Company. Financial impacts could materialise from transactional losses or Business decisions to achieve overall climate ambitions of the HSBC Group. Non-financial impacts could materialise from the impact of significant changes in climate on the Company's assets or operations.

The impact of climate risk on the balance sheet has been assessed and it is considered that there is no material impact on the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022. The impact on a number of areas of the balance sheet have been considered including investments, impairment and trade and other payables as well as within the going concern assessment of the Company.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The financial risk management objectives and policies of the Company, together with an analysis of the exposure to such risks, as required under the Companies Act 2006 are set out in Note 11 of the financial statements.

The Russian invasion of Ukraine in February 2022 has resulted in the outbreak of war between the two countries. This has resulted in many countries implementing significant sanctions and trade restrictions against Russia in support of Ukraine. This has had repercussions in the global economy creating uncertainty and market volatility. Whilst negotiations are ongoing to seek a resolution, the outcome of the negotiations is unlikely to lead to the resolution of the conflict in the foreseeable future. Consequently, the war is expected to continue for some time into the future with ongoing disruption in UK domestic and global markets. It is not considered that the Russia-Ukraine war will have a significant impact on the principal risks of the Company due to the nature of the Company's operations.

During 2022, the UK economy has faced a number of challenges, including rising inflation, increased interest rates and a period of significant market volatility that followed changes to policies announced by the UK Government. Consumer confidence has fallen with a deepening cost of living crisis partly driven by a sharp rise in energy prices. This has led to uncertainty in respect of growth expectations in the UK economy in 2023. However, due to the nature of the Company's transactions, it is not considered that these events will have a significant impact on its principal risks.

On behalf of the Board

J Wilkinson Director

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22 September 2023

Registered office 8 Canada Square London E14 5HQ United Kingdom

Report of the Directors

Directors

The Directors of the Company who were in office during the year and up to the date of signing the financial statements were as follows:

Name	•	Appointed	Resigned
J P Marlow	 		28 July 2022
C R J Irvin			28 July 2022
J Wilkinson		•	
R M Tanġ		29 July 2022	

The Articles of Association of the Company provide that in certain circumstances the Directors are entitled to be indemnified out of the assets of the Company against claims from third parties in respect of certain liabilities arising in connection with the performance of their functions, in accordance with the provisions of the UK Companies Act 2006. Indemnity provisions of this nature have been in place during the financial year and remain in place but have not been utilised by the Directors. All Directors have the benefit of Directors' and officers' liability insurance.

Significant events since the end of the financial year

No significant events affecting the Company have occurred since the end of the financial year.

Dividends

The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend in respect of the year ended 31 December 2022 (2021: nil).

Future developments

No change in the Company's activities is expected.

Going concern basis

The Company had net current liabilities of £37,211,244 as at 31 December 2022 (2021: £37,208,825). The parent undertaking, HSBC Bank plc, will provide financial support to the Company such that the Company is able to operate as a going concern and to settle its liabilities as they fall due for a period of not less than 12 months from the date of signing the financial statements. As a result of this, together with the considerations referred to above and in the Principal risks and uncertainties and the impact of climate risk as set out in the Strategic Report section in the Strategic Report, the Directors have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis.

Financial risk management

The principal risks and uncertainties facing the Company, together with its financial risk management objectives and policies, and an analysis of the exposure to such risks, are set out in Note 11 of the financial statements.

Capital management

The Company is not subject to externally imposed capital requirements and is dependent on the HSBC Group to provide necessary capital resources which are therefore managed on a group basis.

The Company defines capital as total shareholders' equity. It is HSBC Group's objective to maintain a strong capital base to support the development of its business and to meet regulatory capital requirements at all times. There were no changes to the Company's approach to capital management during the year.

Independent auditors

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP ('PwC') are external independent auditors to the Company. PwC have expressed their willingness to continue in office and the Board recommends that PwC be re-appointed as the Company's independent auditors.

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities in respect of the financial statements

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulation.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Directors have prepared the financial statements in accordance with UK-adopted international accounting standards.

Under company law, 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 the financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- · select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- state whether applicable UK-adopted international accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- · make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- 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 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 also 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.

Directors' confirmations

In the case of each Director in office at the date the Report of the Directors is approved:

- so far as the Director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware; and
- they have taken all the steps they ought to have taken as a Director in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

Approved by the Board on 22 September 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

J Wilkinson Director

22 September 2023

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Independent auditors' report to the members of HSBC Property Funds (Holding) Limited

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

In our opinion, HSBC Property Funds (Holding) Limited's financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2022 and of its loss and cash flows for the year then ended:
- · have been properly prepared in accordance with UK-adopted international accounting standards; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the financial statements, included within the Annual Report, which comprise: the Balance sheet as at 31 December 2022; the Income statement, the Statement of comprehensive income, the Statement of cash flows, the statement of equity for the year then ended; and the notes to the financial statements, which include a description of the significant accounting policies.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ("ISAs (UK)") and applicable law. Our responsibilities under ISAs (UK) are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence

We remained independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, which includes the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

Conclusions relating to going concern

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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

However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this conclusion is not a guarantee as to the company's ability to continue as a going concern.

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

Reporting on other information

The other information comprises all of the information in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in this report, any form of assurance 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 an apparent material inconsistency or material misstatement, we are required to perform procedures to conclude whether there is a material misstatement of 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 based on these responsibilities.

With respect to the Strategic report and Report of the directors, we also considered whether the disclosures required by the UK Companies Act 2006 have been included.

Based on our work undertaken in the course of the audit, the Companies Act 2006 requires us also to report certain opinions and matters as described below.

Strategic report and Report of the directors

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, the information given in the Strategic report and Report of the directors for the year ended 31 December 2022 is consistent with the financial statements and has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

In light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we did not identify any material misstatements in the Strategic report and Report of the directors.

Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit

Responsibilities of the directors for the financial statements

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

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.

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

Based on our understanding of the company and industry, we identified that the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations related to UK tax legislation, and we considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the financial statements. We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the financial statements such as Companies Act 2006 and Corporate tax legislation. We evaluated management's incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls), and determined that the principal risks were related to posting inappropriate journal entries and management bias in accounting estimates. Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

- · Reviewed minutes of meetings of those charged with governance, and
- · Performed substantive testing over all transactions within the financial statement line items.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above. We are less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations that are not closely related to events and transactions reflected in the financial statements. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

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

Use of this report

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the Company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

Other required reporting

Companies Act 2006 exception reporting

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

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

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

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Ajay Kabra (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors London 22 September 2023

Financial statements

Income statement for the year ended 31 December 2022

	•				
			•	2022	2021
			. Note	£.	£
		•			
Interest income			·	24	
Net operating income				24	
General and administrative expenses				(3,011)	(2,205)
Total operating expenses				(3,011)	(2,205)
Operating loss				(2,987)	(2,205)
Loss before tax				(2,987)	(2,205)
Tax credit	•		5	568	419
Loss for the year			₹	(2,419)	(1,786)

Statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2022

All operations are continuing. There has been no comprehensive income or expense other than the loss for the year as shown above (2021: nil).

Balance sheet at 31 December 2022

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2022 £ 63,537	2021 £ 67,818
£ 63,537	67.818
63,537	67 818
63,537	67.818
	07,010
7,246	7,246
35,000,001	35,000,001
35,070,784	35,075,065
37,280,980	37,282,274
1,047	. 1,615
37,282,027	37,283,889
5,000,000	5,000,000
(7,211,243)	(7,208,824)
(2,211,243)	(2,208,824)
35,070,784	35,075,065
	7,246 35,000,001 35,070,784 37,280,980 1,047 37,282,027 5,000,000 (7,211,243)

The accompanying notes on pages 11 to 15 form an integral part of these financial statements.

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 22 September 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

J Wilkinson

Director

Statement of cash flows for the year ended 31 December 2022

		•			•	2022	2021
						£	£
·							
						(2,987)	(2,205)
•	· · · ·	,				(2,987)	(2,205)
	•				N 1 4	(1,294)	2,205
g activiti	es					(1,294)	2,205
•		•				(4,281)	
			•			67,818	67,818
						63,537	67,818
	y activiti	g activities	£ (2,987) (2,987) (1,294) (1,294) (4,281) (67,818				

Statement of changes in equity for the year ended 31 December 2022

	,			 Called up share capital	Accumulated losses	Total equity
•				£	£	£
At 1 Jan 2022			4.	 5,000,000	(7,208,824)	(2,208,824)
Loss for the year				_	(2,419)	(2,419)
At 31 Dec 2022	·	• . • •		5,000,000	(7,211,243)	(2,211,243)
				 •	n	
At 1 Jan 2021				 5,000,000	(7,207,038)	(2,207,038)
Loss for the year				 · <u>-</u>	(1,786)	(1,786)
At 31 Dec 2021				 5,000,000	(7,208,824)	(2,208,824)

Notes on the financial statements

1 Basis of preparation and significant accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation

(a) Compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards ('IFRSs')

The financial statements of the Company comply with UK-adopted international accounting standards and with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. There were no unendorsed standards effective for the year ended 31 December 2022 affecting these financial statements.

Standards adopted during the year ended 31 December 2022

There were no new accounting standards or interpretations that had a significant effect on the Company in 2022. Accounting policies have been consistently applied.

(b) Future accounting developments

Minor amendments to IFRSs

The International Accounting Standards Board ('IASB') has not published any minor amendments effective from 1 January 2022 that are applicable to the Company. However, the IASB has published a number of minor amendments to IFRSs that are effective from 1 January 2023 and 1 January 2024. Not all of these amendments have been endorsed for use in the UK to date but adoption is not expected to have a significant effect on the financial statements of the Company.

New IFRSs

IFRS 17 'Insurance Contracts'

IFRS 17 is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023 and has been adopted for use in the UK. However, it is not considered to have a significant impact on the financial statements of the Company.

(c) Presentation of information

The functional currency of the Company is sterling, which is also the presentational currency of the financial statements of the Company.

The financial statements present information about the Company as an individual undertaking and not about its group. The Company is not required to prepare consolidated financial statements by virtue of the exemption conferred by section 400 of the Companies Act 2006

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis.

(d) Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial information requires the use of estimates and judgements about future conditions. In view of the inherent uncertainties and the high level of subjectivity involved in the recognition or measurement of items, it is possible that the outcomes in the next financial year could differ from those on which management's estimates are based. This could result in materially different estimates and judgements from those reached by management for the purposes of these financial statements.

Management's selection of the Company's accounting policies that contain critical estimates and judgements reflects the materiality of the items to which the policies are applied and the high degree of judgement and estimation uncertainty involved.

There are no accounting policies which contain critical estimates and judgements in terms of materiality of the items to which the policies are applied, the high degree of judgement involved and the estimation uncertainty involved.

(e) Going concern

The Company had net current liabilities of £37,211,244 as at 31 December 2022 (2021: £37,208,825). The parent undertaking, HSBC Bank plc, will provide financial support to the Company such that the Company is able to operate as a going concern and to settle its liabilities as they fall due for a period of not less than 12 months from the date of signing the financial statements. As a result of this, together with the considerations referred to above and in the Principal risks and uncertainties section and the impact of climate risk as set out in the Strategic Report, the Directors have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis.

1.2 Summary of significant accounting policies

(a) Income and expense

Interest income and expense

Interest income and expense for all financial instruments, excluding those classified as held for trading or designated at fair value are recognised in 'Interest income' and 'Interest expense' in the income statement using the effective interest method.

The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts or payments through the expected life of the financial instrument or, where appropriate, a shorter period, to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability.

Interest on impaired financial assets is recognised using the rate of interest used to discount the future cash flows for the purpose of measuring the impairment loss.

(b) Valuation of financial instruments

All financial instruments are initially recognised at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value of a financial instrument on initial recognition is generally its transaction price (that is, the fair value of the consideration given or received).

However, if there is a difference between the transaction price and the fair value of financial instruments whose fair value is based on a quoted price in an active market or a valuation technique that uses only data from observable markets, the Company recognises the difference as a trading gain or loss at inception (a 'day 1 gain or loss'). In all other cases, the entire day 1 gain or loss is deferred and recognised in the income statement over the life of the transaction either until the transaction matures or is closed out or the valuation inputs become observable.

(c) Investments in subsidiaries

The Company classifies investments in entities which it controls as subsidiaries.

For the purpose of determining this classification, the Company is considered to have control of an entity when it is exposed, or has rights to variable returns from its involvements with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity. The Company's investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost less impairment losses and any return of capital.

(d) Financial instruments measured at amortised cost

Financial assets that are held to collect the contractual cash flows and which contain contractual terms that give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest, are measured at amortised cost. Such financial assets include trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables

These include trade and other receivables originated by the Company, not classified as held for trading or designated at fair value. They are recognised when cash is advanced to a borrower and are derecognised when either the borrower repays its obligations, or the receivables are sold or written off, or substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are transferred. They are initially recorded at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less impairment allowance.

Impairment of trade and other receivables

Expected credit losses ('ECL') are recognised for trade and other receivables and other financial assets held at amortised cost. At initial recognition, allowance is required for ECL resulting from default events that are possible within the next 12 months, or less, where the remaining life is less than 12 months ('12-month ECL'). In the event of a significant increase in credit risk, allowance (or provision) is required for ECL resulting from all possible default events over the expected life of the financial instrument ('lifetime ECL'). Financial assets where 12-month ECL is recognised are considered to be 'stage 1'; financial assets that are considered to have experienced a significant increase in credit risk are in 'stage 2'; and financial assets for which there is objective evidence of impairment so are considered to be in default or otherwise credit impaired are in 'stage 3'. All of the Company's exposures are with other group undertakings. The credit risk of amounts due from other group undertakings is minimised because such other group undertakings are wholly owned subsidiaries of HSBC Holdings plc. Such counterparties have no history of default and have been able to meet their liabilities as they fall due. On this basis the Company considers the amounts due to be fully recoverable and hence no impairments are required.

Financial liabilities

Amounts owed to other group undertakings represent financial liabilities and are included within trade and other payables. Financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value less any transaction costs that are directly attributable to the purchase or issue. Financial liabilities are recognised when the Company becomes party to the contractual provision of the instrument. The Company derecognises the financial liability when the Company's obligations specified in the contract expire, are discharged or cancelled. Subsequent to initial recognition, financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

(e) Tax

Income tax comprises current tax and deferred tax. Income tax is recognised in the income statement except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case the tax is recognised in the same statement in which the related item appears.

Current tax is the tax expected to be payable on the taxable profit for the year and on any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years. The Company provides for potential current tax liabilities that may arise on the basis of the amounts expected to be paid to the tax authorities.

Deferred tax is recognised on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the balance sheet, and the amounts attributed to such assets and liabilities for tax purposes. Deferred tax is calculated using the tax rates expected to apply in the periods as the assets will be realised or the liabilities settled.

Current and deferred tax are calculated based on tax rates and laws enacted, or substantively enacted, by the balance sheet date.

(f) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value. Such investments are normally those with less than three months' maturity from the date of acquisition.

(g) Called up share capital

Financial instruments issued are generally classified as equity when there is no contractual obligation to transfer cash or other financial assets. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of equity instruments are shown in equity as a deduction from the proceeds, net of tax.

2 Directors' emoluments

None of the Directors of the Company received any emoluments in respect of their services as Directors of the Company (2021: nil). The Directors are employed by other companies within the HSBC Group and consider that their services to the Company are incidental to their other responsibilities within the HSBC Group.

3 Employee compensation and benefits

The Company has no employees and hence no staff costs (2021: nil).

4 Auditors' remuneration

The amount incurred by the Company in respect of the statutory audit of these financial statements was £3,011 (2021: £2,205).

There were no non-audit fees payable to the Company's statutory auditor incurred by the Company during the year (2021: nil).

5 Tax

Tax credit ·

				2022	2021
		1.0		£.	£
Current tax			•		
UK Corporation tax					
- For this year				(568)	(419)
Total current tax				(568)	· (419)
Year ended 31 Dec				(568)	(419)

The UK corporation tax rate applying to the Company was 19% (2021: 19%).

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.

Tax reconciliation

			2022			
•	*		£	(%)	£	(%)
Loss before tax			(2,987)		(2,205)	
Tax at 19.00% (2021: 19.00%)		······································	(568)	19.0	(419)	19.0
Year ended 31 Dec			(568)	19.0	(419)	19.0

6 Investments in subsidiaries

	. :			2022	2021	
			•		£	£
Cost	-					
At 1 Jan					35,000,001	35,000,001
Additions/(disposals)					- -	_
At 31 Dec		 			35,000,001	35,000,001

Impairment loss

The Company's accounting policy for impairment of assets (other than financial assets) is described in Note 1.2(c). At each reporting period end, the company reviews its investments in subsidiaries for indicators of impairment. No indicators of impairment were identified at 31 December 2022 and therefore a detailed impairment test was not performed.

Principal subsidiary undertakings

Details of the Company's subsidiaries, as required under Section 409 of the Companies Act 2006 are set out below.

					• :	Country of incorporation	Interest in equity capital (%)	Footnotes
HSIL Investments Limited			٠.	•		United Kingdom	100.00(Direct)	1,2
Description of shares:		•	-					Footnotes
Ordinary Shares				•				1
Registered offices:						,		Footnotes
8 Canada Square, London E14 5H	IQ, United Kingdom					•		2

7 Trade and other receivables

	*		•	 2022		2021
				£	•	£
Amounts due from other group undertakings			 	7,246	•	7,246
At 31 Dec	•			 7,246		7,246

Amounts due from other group undertakings have no fixed date for repayment and are therefore technically repayable on demand. They are accounted for as financial assets, measured at amortised cost and the fair value is not considered to be significantly different from the carrying value.

8 Trade and other payables

		2022	2021
<u> </u>		£	£
Amounts due to other group undertakings		37,280,980	37,282,274
At 31 Dec		37,280,980	37,282,274

Amounts due to other group undertakings have no fixed date for repayment and are therefore technically repayable on demand. They are accounted for as financial liabilities, measured at amortised cost and the fair value is not considered to be significantly different from the carrying value.

9 Called up share capital

	•	2022	•	2021	
		Number	£	Number	. <u> </u>
Issued, allotted and fully paid up					·
Ordinary shares of £1 each		5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000
As at 1 Jan and 31 Dec		5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000

10 Analysis of assets and liabilities by measurement basis

All financial assets and financial liabilities held by the Company are measured on an ongoing basis at amortised cost.

11 Management of financial risk

Exposure to liquidity risk and market risk arises in the normal course of the Company's business. The Company's risk management policies are consistent with the HSBC Group's risk management policies.

As part of that process, the Business' management will review the monthly management accounts of the Business.

There were no changes in the Company's approach to risk management during the year.

Credit risk management

Credit risk is the risk that financial loss arises from the failure of a customer or counterparty to meet its obligations under a contract. The Company's main credit exposure is to fellow group companies. The maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of trade receivables at the balance sheet date. The Credit risk of amounts due from other group undertakings is minimised because such other group undertakings are wholly owned subsidiaries of HSBC Holdings plc. Such counterparties have no history of default and have been able to meet their liabilities as they fall due. On this basis the Company considers the amounts due to be fully recoverable.

Credit risk also arises from cash and cash equivalents, and deposits with banks and financial institutions. Credit risk is managed as only banks and financial institutions with a minimum rating of 'A' are accepted.

Liquidity risk management

The objective of liquidity management is to ensure that all commitments which are required to be funded can be met out of readily available and secure sources of funding.

The Company's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Company's reputation. The Company does this by monitoring its investment commitments and positions on an ongoing basis within limits set and approved by the HSBC group.

The following is an analysis of undiscounted cash flows payable under various financial liabilities by remaining contractual maturities at the balance sheet date:

	_	Carrying value	Contractual cash flows	On Demand	
		. £	£	£	
Trade and other payables		37,280,980	37,280,980	37,280,980	
At 31 Dec 2022		37,280,980	37,280,980	37,280,980	
•		•			
Trade and other payables		37,282,274	37,282,274	37,282,274	
At 31 Dec 2021		37,282,274	37,282,274	37,282,274	

Market risk management,

Market risk is the risk that changes in the market prices, such as interest rates, foreign exchange rates and equity prices will affect the Company's income, or the value of its holdings of financial instruments. The objective is to minimise market risk through managing and controlling the risk to acceptable parameters, while optimising the return on risk.

The Company has minimal exposure to market risk.

Interest rate risk

The Company has no exposure to interest rate risks as it does not have any interest bearing borrowings.

Foreign exchange risk management

The Company has no exposure to currency risks as it does not deal in foreign currencies.

12 Maturity analysis of assets and liabilities

The following is an analysis of assets and liabilities by residual contractual maturities at the balance sheet date.

	•								On Demand	, Undated	Total
								•	£	£	£
Assets	_	2		 	•						
Cash and cash equivalents									63,537		63,537
Trade and other receivables									. 7,246	· <u>-</u>	7,246
Non-financial assets						•		1	- 7	35,000,001	35,000,001
At 31 Dec 2022									70,783	35,000,001	35,070,784
Liabilities .				 						•	
Trade and other payables			:	 				;	37,280,980	-	37,280,980
Non-financial liabilities								-		1,047	1,047
At 31 Dec 2022						,		1.	37,280,980	1,047	37,282,027
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Assets			·				•			٠.	
Cash and cash equivalents									67,818		67,818
Trade and other receivables				 					7,246	-	7,246
Non-financial assets										35,000,001	35,000,001
At 31 Dec 2021	. :								75,064	35,000,001	35,075,065
Liabilities											
Trade and other payables									37,282,274	· -	. 37,282,274
Non-financial liabilities ·									_	1,615	1,615
At 31 Dec 2021			٠.						37,282,274	1,615	37,283,889

13 Fair value of assets and liabilities

There are no material differences between the carrying value and the fair value of financial assets and liabilities at 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021.

14 Related party transactions

Transaction with other related parties

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					 Highest balance during the year	Balance at 31 December	Highest balance during the year	Balance at 31 December
			٠.		į £	£	£	, £
Assets		,	-	• .	t			•
Cash and cash equivalents ¹		1			67,818	63,537	67,818	67,818
Trade and other receivables ²			•		7,246	. 7,2461	7,246	7,246
Liabilities						1		
Trade and other payables ³					37,282,644	37,280,980	37,282,274	37,282,274

15 Parent undertakings

The ultimate parent undertaking and ultimate controlling party is HSBC Holdings plc which is the parent undertaking of the largest group to consolidate these financial statements. HSBC Bank plc is the parent undertaking of the smallest group to consolidate these financial

The immediate parent undertaking is HSBC Specialist Investments Limited. All companies are registered in England and Wales.

The results of the Company are included in the financial statements of HSBC Holdings plc and HSBC Bank plc.

Copies of HSBC Holdings plc's and HSBC Bank plc's consolidated financial statements can be obtained from:

HSBC Holdings plc HSBC Bank plc 8 Canada Square 8 Canada Square London E14 5HQ London E14 5HQ United Kingdom United Kingdom www.hsbc.com

16 Events after the balance sheet date

No significant events affecting the Company have occurred since the end of the financial year.

These balances are held with HSBC Bank plc.
These balances are receivable from HSBC Specialist Investments Limited.

These include GBP37,275,764 (2021: GBP37,275,764) payable to the parent company, HSBC Specialist Investments Limited and GBP5,216 (2021: GBP6,510) payable to an intermediate parent company, HSBC Bank plc.