CANARY WHARF FINANCE PLC Registered Number: 3416151

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

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# **DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014**

The directors present their report with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2014. The company qualifies as a small company under section 382 of the Companies Act 2006 and accordingly has not produced a Strategic Report.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the company during the year was to act as an investment holding company.

## **DIVIDENDS AND RESERVES**

The company did not record any profits or losses during the year or the prior year and no dividends have been paid or proposed.

## **DIRECTORS**

The directors of the company throughout the year ended 31 December 2014 were:

A P Anderson II G Iacobescu R J J Lyons

The company provides an indemnity to all directors (to the extent permitted by law) in respect of liabilities incurred as a result of their office. The company also has in place liability insurance covering the directors and officers of the company. Both the indemnity and insurance were in force during the year ended 31 December 2014 and at the time of the approval of this Directors' Report. Neither the indemnity nor the insurance provide cover in the event that the director is proven to have acted dishonestly or fraudulently.

#### STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO THE AUDITOR

Each director holding office at the date of this report has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself aware of relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information. As far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware.

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of Section 418(2) of the Companies Act 2006.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

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......Company Secretary

25 June 2015

Registered Number: 3416151

J R Garwood

Registered office: 30th Floor One Canada Square Canary Wharf London E14 5AB

# STATEMENT OF THE DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The directors are responsible for preparing the 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; 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 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.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF CANARY WHARF FINANCE PLC

We have audited the financial statements of Canary Wharf Finance plc for the year ended 31 December 2014 which comprise the Balance Sheet and the related Notes 1 to 10. 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 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.

# Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities, 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 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 Annual Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. 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 company's affairs as at 31 December 2014 and of its result 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.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF CANARY WHARF FINANCE PLC

# Emphasis of matter - Financial statements prepared other than on a going concern basis

In forming our opinion on the financial statements, which is not modified, we have considered the adequacy of the disclosure made in Note 1 to the financial statements, which explains that the financial statements have been prepared on a basis other than that of a going concern.

# Opinion on other matters 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, 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; or
- the directors were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption in preparing the Strategic Report.

Mark Beddy (Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of Deloitte LLP

Chartered Accountant and Statutory Auditor

London, UK

25 June 2015

# **BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2014**

	Note	31 December 2014 £	31 December 2013 £
FIXED ASSETS Investments	3	<u> </u>	. 2
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors	4	50,000	50,000
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	5	_	(2)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		50,000	49,998
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		50,000	50,000
NET ASSETS	•	50,000	50,000
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called-up share capital	6	50,000	50,000
SHAREHOLDER'S FUNDS	8	50,000	50,000

The company recorded neither a profit nor a loss during the year ended 31 December 2014 or the year ended 31 December 2013 and hence no profit and loss account is presented.

There were no other recognised gains or losses for the year ended 31 December 2014 or the year ended 31 December 2013 and hence no statement of total recognised gains and losses is presented.

The Notes on pages 6 to 8 form an integral part of these financial statements.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD ON 25 JUNE 2015 AND SIGNED ON ITS BEHALF BY:

R J J LYONS DIRECTOR

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

# 1. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A summary of the principal accounting policies of the company, all of which have been applied consistently throughout the year and the preceding year, is set out below.

# Basis of preparation

At 31 December 2014, the company had completed its activities and is expected to become dormant. As a result the financial statements have been prepared on a basis other than going concern which includes, where appropriate, writing down the company's assets to net realisable value. For the years ended 31 December 2014 and 31 December 2013, this did not result in any changes to the value of the company's assets.

# **Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards.

In accordance with the provisions of FRS 1 (Revised) the company is exempt from the requirements to prepare a cash flow statement, as it is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Canary Wharf Group plc, which has prepared a consolidated cash flow statement.

#### Investments

Investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost less any provision for impairment.

## Trade and other debtors

Debtors are recognised initially at fair value. A provision for impairment is established where there is objective evidence that the company will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the debtor concerned.

# 2. PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

None of the directors received any emoluments in respect of their services to the company during the year or the prior year.

No staff were employed by the company during the year or the prior year.

Auditors' remuneration of £780 (2013: £nil) for the audit of the company has been borne by another group undertaking.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

3.	INVESTMENTS			
	Shares in group undertakings			
	At 1 January 2014 Disposals		·	£ 2 (2)
	At 31 December 2014			_
	On 3 June 2014 the company's subsidiary undertaking was Companies House register.	voluntarily	/ struck	from the
4.	DEBTORS			
	31 [	December 2014 £		ecember 2013 £
	Amount owed by parent undertaking	50,000	-	50,000
5.	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	•		
	31 [	December 2014 £		ecember 2013 £
	Amount owed to fellow subsidiary undertaking	_		2
6.	CALLED-UP SHARE CAPITAL		•	
	Allotted, called up and fully paid: 31 [	December 2014		ecember 2013
	50,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	£ 50,000	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	£ 50,000
7.	RESERVES	,		
				and loss account £
	At 1 January 2014		_ <del></del> _	
	At 31 December 2014			_

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

### 8. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDER'S FUNDS

	31 December	31 December
	2014	2013
	£	£
Opening shareholders' funds	50,000	50,000
Closing shareholders' funds	50,000	50,000

## 9. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

On 4 December 2014, Stork Holdings Limited, an entity jointly owned by Qatar Investment Authority and Brookfield Properties Partners LP, announced the terms of a final cash offer for the acquisition of the entire issued and to be issued ordinary share capital of Songbird Estates plc, the company's ultimate parent undertaking, at £3.50 per ordinary share. The offer became wholly unconditional on 5 February 2015. Having obtained more than 90.0% of the issued share capital, Stork Holdings Limited then announced a compulsory acquisition of Songbird Estates plc shares in respect of which acceptances of the offer had not been received.

This offer becoming unconditional triggered a mandatory equivalent cash offer for the issued and to be issued ordinary share capital of Canary Wharf Group plc at a price of £6.45 per share and the subsequent compulsory acquisition process of the Canary Wharf Group plc shares in respect of which acceptances of the offer had not been received.

The compulsory purchase periods lasted until 17 April 2015, at which time the shares were compulsorily purchased on the same terms as the original offers.

# 10. ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The company's immediate parent undertaking is Canary Wharf Estate Limited.

As at 31 December 2014, the smallest group of which the company is a member and for which group financial statements are drawn up is the consolidated financial statements of Canary Wharf Group plc. The largest group of which the company is a member for which group financial statements are drawn up is the consolidated financial statements of Songbird Estates plc, the ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party. Copies of the financial statements of both companies may be obtained from the Company Secretary, One Canada Square, Canary Wharf, London E14 5AB.

The directors have taken advantage of the exemption in paragraph 3(c) of FRS 8 allowing the company not to disclose related party transactions with respect to other group companies.