Company Registration Number: 3641947

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 31 December 2020



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#### Directors' report

The Directors present their Report and the Financial Statements of National Provident Life Limited ("the Company") for the year ended 31 December 2020.

The Company is incorporated in England & Wales as a private limited company. Its registration number is 3641947 and its registered office is 1 Wythall Green Way, Wythall, Birmingham, B47 6WG. The Company is a member of the Phoenix Group ("the Group"), headed by Phoenix Group Holdings plc.

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards in conformity with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

# **Business review**

#### Principal activities

The Company has not traded during the year.

#### Result and dividends

There was no comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2020 (2019: £nil) and the Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2019: £nil).

#### Principal risks and uncertainties

There are no principal risks or uncertainties as the Company does not have any assets or liabilities other than share capital and retained earnings. The continuing Covid-19 pandemic crisis has not exposed the Company to any heightened operational or financial risks.

#### Key Performance Indicators ("KPIs")

As the Company is dormant and has not traded during the year, the Directors are of the opinion that analysis using KPIs is not necessary for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business.

#### **Directors**

The names of those individuals who served as Directors of the Company during the year and who held office at the date of signature of this report are as follows:

J Buffham

Appointed 1 June 2021

A Moss

R Sheriff

Resigned 1 June 2021

# Secretary

Pearl Group Secretariat Services Limited acted as Secretary throughout the year.

### Disclosure of indemnity

Qualifying third party indemnity arrangements (as defined in section 234 of the Companies Act 2006) were in force for the benefit of the Directors of the Company during the year and remain in place at the date of approval of this report.

#### Auditor

The financial statements have not been audited as the Company is entitled to the exemption provided by section 480 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to dormant companies and no notice under section 476(1) has been deposited at the Company's registered office requiring the Company to obtain an audit of the financial statements.

On behalf of the Board

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K McDermott

For and on behalf of Pearl Group Secretariat Services Limited .Company Secretary

27 August 2021

#### Statement of Directors' responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' report and the Company financial statements ("the financial statements") in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and regulations.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under the law the Directors have elected to prepare those statements in accordance with International Accounting Standards in conformity with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. Under company law, the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they present fairly the financial performance, financial position and cash flows of the Company for the accounting period. A fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") requires the Directors to:

- select suitable accounting policies in accordance with IAS 8: Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- present information, including accounting policies, in a manner that provides relevant, reliable, comparable and understandable information;
- provide additional disclosures when compliance with the specific requirements in IFRS is insufficient to enable
  users to understand the impact of particular transactions, other events and conditions on the Company's
  financial position and financial performance;
- state that the Company has complied with applicable IFRS, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; 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 taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Statement of financial position as at 31 December 2020

	Notes	As at 31 December 2020 £m	As at 31 December 2019 £m
Non-current assets Investment in subsidiaries	7	_	, -
Total assets		<u> </u>	
Equity attributable to owners			
Share capital	4	10	10
Capital contribution reserve	5 .	(1,323)	1,323
Retained earnings		(1,333)	(1,333) :
Total equity			
Total equity and liabilities			

For the year ended 31 December 2020 the Company is entitled to exemption under section 480 of the Companies Act 2006 ("the Act") relating to dormant companies.

The members have not required the Company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act (which permits 10% of members to make such a request).

The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

On behalf of the Board



J Buffham Director

27 August 2021

#### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

#### 1. Accounting policies

# (a) Basis of preparation

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

The Directors do not consider the Company to be a going concern as there is an intention to liquidate and that the financial statements as prepared are not materially different from those prepared on a break-up basis.

The financial statements are presented in sterling (£) rounded to the nearest £m except where otherwise stated.

Assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the statement of financial position only when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liability simultaneously.

The financial statements are separate financial statements and the exemption in section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 has been used not to present consolidated financial statements. The results of the Company are consolidated into the accounts of the Company's ultimate parent, Phoenix Group Holdings plc, a company incorporated in England and Wales. Copies of the Phoenix Group Holdings plc consolidated financial statements can be obtained from their company website, www.thephoenixgroup.com.

#### Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards in conformity with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

# (b) Share capital and capital contributions

#### Ordinary share capital

The Company has issued ordinary shares which are classified as equity.

#### Capital contributions

Capital contributions received by the Company and which contain no agreement for their repayment are recognised directly in the statement of changes in equity as a distributable reserve.

# (c) Investment in subsidiaries

Investments in shares in subsidiaries held for strategic purposes are carried in the statement of financial position at cost less impairment. Investments in shares in subsidiaries held for strategic purposes are carried in the statement of financial position at cost less impairment. Strategic subsidiaries are operating companies which support the Group and the Company's strategic objectives, as well as certain non-trading and dormant companies.

# (d) Events after the reporting period

The financial statements are adjusted to reflect significant events that have a material effect on the financial results and that have occurred between the period end and the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue, provided they give evidence of conditions that existed at the period end. Events that are indicative of conditions that arise after the period end that do not result in an adjustment to the financial statements are disclosed.

# 2. Financial information

The financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020, set out on pages 4 to 6, were authorised by the Board of Directors for issue on 27 August 2021.

There have been no transactions during the current or prior year and therefore no statement of comprehensive income and no statement of changes in equity have been prepared.

The Company held no cash balances during the current or prior year and accordingly no statement of cash flows has been prepared.

The financial statements have not been affected by any new standards, amendments or interpretations effective from 1 January 2020.

#### Effect of Brexit

On 31 January 2020, the UK left the EU and consequently EFRAG will no longer endorse International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs") for use in the UK. Legislation is in place to onshore and freeze EU-adopted IFRSs and from 1 January 2021 the Company will apply UK-adopted International Accounting Standards. The European Commission's powers to endorse and adopt IFRSs will be delegated by the Secretary of State to the UK Endorsement Board.

#### 3. Directors' remuneration

The Directors are employed by another Group company. The Directors received no remuneration in respect of their services to the Company (2019: £nil).

# 4. Share capital

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Allotted Issued and fully paid: 10,000,000 ordinary shares of £1 each (2019: 10,000,000)	10	10

The holders of the ordinary shares are entitled to one vote per share on matters to be voted on by owners and to receive such dividends, if any, as may be declared by the Board of Directors in its discretion out of legally available profits.

#### 5. Capital contribution reserve

·	2020 £m	2019 £m
	1,323	1,323
		£m

The capital contribution has been treated as capital as there is no agreement for repayment. The reserve is considered distributable.

# 6. Related party transactions

# Key management compensation

The compensation payable to employees classified as key management, which comprises the Directors, is disclosed in note 3.

During the year to 31 December 2020, key management and other family members had no other transactions with the Company (2019: none).

# Parent and ultimate parent entity

Information on the Company's parent and ultimate parent is given in note 8.

# 7. Investment in subsidiary

The wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, National Provident Institution, is dormant and has no carrying value (2019: £nil). It is incorporated in the UK as an unlimited company without shares. The registered office of the subsidiary is 1 Wythall Green Way, Wythall, Birmingham, B47 6WG.

# 8. Other information

The Company's principal place of business is the United Kingdom. The Company's immediate parent is NP Life Holdings Limited and its ultimate parent is Phoenix Group Holdings plc, a company incorporated in England and Wales. A copy of the financial statements of Phoenix Group Holdings plc can be obtained from the Company Secretary, 100 St Paul's Churchyard, London, EC4M 8BU or www.thephoenixgroup.com.