Registration number: 3865758

# Caparo Ventures Limited

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 December 2015

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### **Company Information**

**Directors** 

The Honourable Ambar Paul

The Honourable Akash Paul

Mr D P Dancaster

Company secretary

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Registered office

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London W1U 6LN

Auditor

Deloitte LLP

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#### Directors' Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2015

The Directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015.

#### **Directors of the Company**

The directors who held office during the year and to the date of this report were as follows:

The Honourable Ambar Paul - Director

The Honourable Akash Paul - Director

The Honourable Angad Paul - Director (Death in service 8 November 2015)

Mr D P Dancaster - Director

The directors are sad to report the untimely death of The Honourable Angad Paul on 8 November 2015.

#### Results

This is the first year that the company has presented its results under United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" (FRS 102).

The Statement of Comprehensive Income is set out on page 8 and shows a profit for the year of £2,306 (2014: profit: £11,509).

#### Principal activity

The principal activity of the company is that of a corporate investment company.

#### Financial instruments

#### Objectives and policies

The company holds or issues financial instruments to finance its operations and enters into contracts to manage risks arising from those operations and its sources of finance in accordance with its accounting policies.

#### Price risk, credit risk, liquidity risk and cash flow risk

Operations and working capital requirements are financed by a mixture of the company's retained cash, and short and long term parent company loans. The company enjoys the continued support of its parent and is not reliant on external funding.

#### **Future developments**

The directors expect to continue receiving income from its investments

#### Going concern

The company made a profit in the period but has net current liabilities. The company is dependent on the support of the parent company to continue as a going concern. The directors forecasts and projections, taking account of reasonably possible future changes in trading performance, show that the parent company should be able to operate within its current level of facilities and provide continued support to Caparo Ventures Limited for the next 12 months. Accordingly, the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

#### **Directors' liabilities**

The company has made qualifying third party indemnity provisions for the benefit of its directors which were made during the year and remain in force at the date of this report.

### Directors' Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2015 (continued)

#### Disclosure of information to the auditor

Each Director has taken steps that 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 auditor are aware of that information. The Directors confirm that there is no relevant information that they know of and of which they know the auditor are unaware.

#### Reappointment of auditor

In accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006, a resolution for the re-appointment of Deloitte LLP as auditor of the company is to be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

#### Approval of reduced disclosures

The company as a qualifying entity has taken advantage of the disclosure exemptions in FRS 102 paragraph 1.12. The company's shareholders have been notified in writing about the intention to take advantage of the disclosure exemptions and no objections have been received.

#### Small companies provision statement

In preparing the Directors' report, advantage has been taken of the small companies' exemptions under the Companies Act 2006. As a result of the small companies' exemption, the company is not required to prepare a Strategic Report.

By order of the Board on 31/10/16, and signed on its behalf by:

Mr D P Dancaster

Director

#### Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

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

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland". 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 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**

We have audited the financial statements of Caparo Ventures Limited for the year ended 31 December 2015, which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Changes in Equity, and the related notes 1 to 13. 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), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

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 (set out on page 4), 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 (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors to the financial statements.

#### 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 the 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 2015 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
- 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:

### **Independent Auditor's Report (continued)**

- 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

• the directors were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption in preparing the Directors' Report or from the requirement to prepare a Strategic Report.

Jane Whitlock (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of Deloitte LLP, Statutory Auditor

Birmingham

Date: 31 Ochlor 2016

### Profit and Loss Account for the Year Ended 31 December 2015

	Note	2015 £	2014 £
Turnover	3	2,740	26,228
Administrative expenses (net)	_	1,263	(18,539)
Operating profit	_	4,003	7,689
Other interest receivable and similar income	4	3,715	6,820
	_	3,715	6,820
Profit before tax		7,718	14,509
Taxation	7 _	(5,412)	(3,000)
Profit for the financial year	=	2,306	11,509

The above results were derived from continuing operations.

### Statement of Comprehensive Income for the Year Ended 31 December 2015

	Note	2015 £	2014 £
Profit for the year	_	2,306	11,509
Total comprehensive income for the year	_	2,306	11,509

### (Registration number: 3865758) Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2015

	Note	2015 £	2014 £
Fixed assets			
Other financial assets	8	78,153	110,467
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	10	(2,760,081)	(2,794,701)
Net liabilities		(2,681,928)	(2,684,234)
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	9	1	1
Retained earnings		(2,681,929)	(2,684,235)
Shareholders' deficit		(2,681,928)	(2,684,234)

Approved and authorised by the Board on ...... and signed on its behalf by:

Mr D P Dancaster

Director

#### Statement of Changes in Equity for the Year Ended 31 December 2015

	Share capital £	Retained earnings £	Total £
At I January 2015	1	(2,684,235)	(2,684,234)
Profit for the year		2,306	2,306
Total comprehensive income		2,306	2,306
At 31 December 2015	1	(2,681,929)	(2,681,928)
		Retained	
	Share capital £	earnings £	Total £
At 1 January 2014	Share capital £		
At 1 January 2014 Profit for the year	Share capital £	earnings £	£
•	Share capital £  1	earnings £ (2,695,744)	£ (2,695,743)

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2015

#### 1 General information

The company is incorporated and domiciled in England and Wales.

The principal activity of the company is that of a corporate investment company.

The functional currency of the company is considered to be pounts Sterling because that is the primary econcomic environment in which the company operates.

The address of its registered office is: Caparo House 103 Baker Street London W1U 6LN

This is the first year that the Company has presented its financial statements under Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102) issued by the Financial Reporting Council. The following disclosures are required in the year of transition. The last financial statements under previous UK GAAP were for the year ended 31 December 2014 and the date of transition to FRS 102 was therefore 1 January 2014. The impact of the transition on the financial statements is disclosed in Note 13.

#### 2 Accounting policies

### Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

#### **Basis of accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historic cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value, and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102) issued by the Financial Reporting Council.

#### Summary of disclosure exemptions

Caparo Ventures Limited meets the definition of a qualifying entity under FRS 102 and has therefore taken advantage of the disclosure exemptions available to it in respect of its separate financial statements, which are presented alongside the consolidated financial statements. Exemptions have been taken in relation to financial instruments, presentation of a cash flow statement and remuneration of key management personnel. Exemption has also been taken under Section 33.1A of FRS 102 not to disclose related party transactions between wholly-owned companies within the group of which it is a member.

#### Name of parent of group

These financial statements are consolidated in the financial statements of Caparo Group Limited.

The financial statements of Caparo Group Limited may be obtained from Companies House, Cardiff.

#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2015 (continued)

#### 2 Accounting policies (continued)

#### Going concern

The company made a profit in the period but has net current liabilities. The company is dependent on the support of the parent company to continue as a going concern. The directors forecasts and projections, taking account of reasonably possible future changes in trading performance, show that the parent company should be able to operate within its current level of facilities and provide continued support to Caparo Ventures Limited for the next 12 months. Accordingly the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern.

#### Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported for assets and liabilities as at the balance sheet date and the amounts reported for revenues and expenses during the year. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical assumptions and other factors that are considered to be relevent.

There are no critical judgements in the preparation of the financial statements.

#### Revenue recognition

Turnover comprises the income received from investments in the ordinary course of the Company's activities.

#### Tax

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 by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events that result in an obligation to pay more tax in the future or a right to pay less tax in the future have occurred at the balance sheet date. Timing differences are differences between the company's taxable profits and its results as stated in financial statements that arise from the inclusion of gains and losses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in financial statements.

Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that, on the basis of available evidence, it can be regarded as more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted.

Deferred tax is measured using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date that are expected to apply to the reversal of timing differences. Deferred tax relating to investment property is measured using the tax rates and allowances that apply to the sale of the asset.

Where items recognised in other comprehensive income or equity are chargeable to or deductible for tax purposes, the resulting current or deferred tax expense or income is presented in the same component of comprehensive income or equity as the transaction or other event that resulted in the tax expenses or income.

#### Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the Company will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2015 (continued)

#### 2 Accounting policies (continued)

#### Trade creditors

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the Company does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Trade creditors are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Equity instruments are measured at the fair value of the cash or other resources received or receivable, net of the direct costs of issuing the equity instruments. If payment is deferred and the time value of money is material, the initial measurement is on a present value basis.

#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2015 (continued)

#### 2 Accounting policies (continued)

#### Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs), except for those financial assets classified as at fair value through profit or loss, which are initially measured at fair value (which is normally the transaction price excluding transaction costs), unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction. If an arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, the financial asset or financial liability is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are only offset in the statement of financial position when, and only when there exists a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and the Company intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Debt instruments which meet the following conditions are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method:

- (a) The contractual return to the holder is (i) a fixed amount; (ii) a positive fixed rate or a positive variable rate; or (iii) a combination of a positive or a negative fixed rate and a positive variable rate.
- (b) The contract may provide for repayments of the principal or the return to the holder (but not both) to be linked to a single relevant observable index of general price inflation of the currency in which the debt instrument is denominated, provided such links are not leveraged.
- (c) The contract may provide for a determinable variation of the return to the holder during the life of the instrument, provided that (i) the new rate satisfies condition (a) and the variation is not contingent on future events other than (1) a change of a contractual variable rate; (2) to protect the holder against credit deterioration of the issuer; (3) changes in levies applied by a central bank or arising from changes in relevant taxation or law; or (ii) the new rate is a market rate of interest and satisfies condition (a).
- (d) There is no contractual provision that could, by its terms, result in the holder losing the principal amount or any interest attributable to the current period or prior periods.
- (e) Contractual provisions that permit the issuer to prepay a debt instrument or permit the holder to put it back to the issuer before maturity are not contingent on future events, other than to protect the holder against the credit deterioration of the issuer or a change in control of the issuer, or to protect the holder or issuer against changes in levies applied by a central bank or arising from changes in relevant taxation or law.
- (f) Contractual provisions may permit the extension of the term of the debt instrument, provided that the return to the holder and any other contractual provisions applicable during the extended term satisfy the conditions of paragraphs (a) to (c).

#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2015 (continued)

#### 2 Accounting policies (continued)

Debt instruments that are classified as payable or receivable within one year on initial recognition and which meet the above conditions are measured at the undiscounted amount of the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received, net of impairment.

With the exception of some hedging instruments, other debt instruments not meeting these conditions are measured at fair value through profit or loss.

Commitments to make and receive loans which meet the conditions mentioned above are measured at cost (which may be nil) less impairment.

Financial assets are derecognised when and only when a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or are settled, b) the Company transfers to another party substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset, or c) the Company, despite having retained some, but not all, significant risks and rewards of ownership, has transferred control of the asset to another party. Financial liabilities are derecognised only when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

#### Impairment of assets

Assets, other than those measured at fair value, are assessed for indicators of impairment at each balance sheet date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss as described below.

#### Non-financial assets

An asset is impaired where there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after initial recognition, the estimated recoverable value of the asset has been reduced. The recoverable amount of an asset is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use.

Where indicators exist for a decrease in impairment loss, the prior impairment loss is tested to determine reversal. An impairment loss is reversed on an individual impaired asset to the extent that the revised recoverable value does not lead to a revised carrying amount higher than the carrying value had no impairment been recognised.

#### Financial assets

For financial assets carried at amortised cost, the amount of impairment is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate.

For financial assets carried at cost less impairment, the impairment loss is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the best estimate of the amount that would be received for the asset if it were to be sold at the reporting date.

Where indicators exist for a decrease in impairment loss, and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the prior impairment loss is tested to determine reversal. An impairment loss is reversed on an individual impaired financial asset to the extent that the revised recoverable value does not lead to a revised carrying amount higher than the carrying value had no impairment been recognised.

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2015 (continued)

#### 3 Turnover

The analysis of the company's turnover for the year from continuing operations is as follows:

Income from investments	2015 £ 2,740	2014 £ 26,228
4 Other interest receivable and similar income		
	2015 £	2014 £
Foreign exchange gains	3,715	6,820

#### 5 Directors' remuneration

No director received any remuneration in the current or prior year in relation to services provided to this company. The directors are remunerated by fellow subsidiary companies of Caparo Group Limited, the ultimate parent company.

There were no employees and no remuneration was paid to employees in the current or prior year.

#### 6 Auditor's remuneration

No audit fee or non-audit fee is borne by this company in either period. These fees were borne by fellow subsidiary companies of Caparo Group Limited, the ultimate parent company, and not recharged. The audit fee for the year ended 31 December 2015 was £2,500. In the previous year, audit fees were borne by other Caparo group companies and were not allocated to individual entities.

#### 7 Income tax

Tax charged/(credited) in the income statement

	2015 £	2014 £
Current taxation		
UK corporation tax	1,307	3,000
UK corporation tax adjustment to prior periods	4,105	
	5,412	3,000

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2015 (continued)

#### 7 Income tax (continued)

The tax on profit before tax for the year is higher than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK (2014 - lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK) of 20.25% (2014 - 21.5%).

The differences are reconciled below:

		2015 £	2014 £
	Profit before tax	7,718	14,509
	Corporation tax at standard rate	1,563	3,119
	Increase (decrease) in UK and foreign current tax from adjustment for prior periods	3,986	-
	Other tax effects for reconciliation between accounting profit and tax expense (income)	(137)	(119)
	Total tax charge	5,412	3,000
8	Other financial assets (current and non-current)	4.	
		2015 £	2014 £
	Non-current financial assets		
	Financial assets at cost less impairment	78,153	110,467
	Cost or Valuation	•	£
	As at 1 January 2015		110,467
	Investment income	•	2,740
	Foreign exchange movements		3,715
	Movement in fair value		1,263
	Withdrawals		(40,032)
	As at 31 December 2015		78,153
	Investments are shown at market value		

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2015 (continued)

#### 9 Share capital

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	201	15	201	4
	No.	£	No.	£
Ordinary shares of £1 each	1	1	1	1
10 Creditors				
		Note	2015 £	2014 £
Due within one year				
Amounts due to related parties		11	2,751,669	2,791,701
Income tax liability		7	8,412	3,000
			2,760,081	2,794,701

The amounts owed to group undertakings have no fixed repayment date and do not bear interest.

#### 11 Related party transactions

#### Summary of transactions with other related parties

Transactions between two or more members of the group where any subsidiary undertaking party to those transactions is not wholly owned by a member of the group are considered immaterial and have not, therefore, been disclosed.

#### 12 Parent and ultimate parent undertaking

The company is a subsidiary undertaking of Caparo Group Limited, which is both the immediate and ultimate parent company. The only group in which the results of the company are consolidated is that headed by Caparo Group Limited. A copy of the consolidated accounts of Caparo Group Limited are available from Companies House Cardiff.

The Right Honourable The Lord Paul of Marylebone, The Honourable Ms Anjil Paul, The Honourable Ambar Paul, and The Honourable Akash Paul, directors or Caparo Group Limited, are jointly and indirectly interested in the whole of the issued share capital of Caparo Group Limited through shareholdings registered in the name of Caparo International Corporation, a company registered in the British Virgin İslands. Caparo International Corporation ultimately holds the issued share capital of Caparo Group Limited on behalf of a series of family trusts.

#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2015 (continued)

#### 13 Transition to FRS 102

This is the first year that the Company has presented its financial statements under Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102) issued by the Financial Reporting Council. The following disclosures are required in the year of transition. The last financial statements under previous UK GAAP were for the year ended 31 December 2014 and the date of transition to FRS 102 was therefore 1 January 2014. As a consequence of adopting FRS 102, a number of accounting policies have changed to comply with that standard.

In the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2014, balances with related parties, where no formal agreement was in place and there was no indication that amounts would be called within one year, were classified as due after more than one year. In these financial statements all related party balances due have been treated in accordance with FRS 102 as falling due within one year. The corresponding amounts for 2014 have been restated accordingly. There were no other adjustments on transition to FRS 102 that have impacted equity as at 1 January and 31 December 2014 or loss for 2014 that have been reported under the previous GAAP.