Virgin Audio Limited

Directors' report and financial statements Registered number 3937608 31 March 2011



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Directors' report

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2011

Principal activities

The Company did not trade during the year

Business review

The Company has net liabilities. However, as detailed in note 1 to the financial statements a parent undertaking, Virgin Group Holdings Limited, has formally indicated that it is its present intention to provide sufficient funding to the Company to enable it to meet its liabilities as they fall due, for at least the next twelve months. The directors have no reason to believe that the parent company will not be in a position to provide this support

Furthermore, as a non trading company, no significant changes are expected in relation to the Company's income streams or cost base at this present time. As a consequence, the directors believe that the Company is well placed to manage its business risks successfully despite the current uncertain economic outlook.

The directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

Results and dividends

The loss for the year, after taxation, amounted to £503,000 (2010 - loss £260,000)

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2010 £nil)

Directors

The directors who served during the year were

G D McCallum P C K McCall (resigned 4 November 2010) I P Woods (appointed 4 November 2010) J Bayliss (resigned 2 April 2010)

Provision of information to auditor

Each of the persons who are directors at the time when this Directors' report is approved has confirmed that

- so far as that director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditor is unaware,
 and
- that director has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a director in order to be aware of any information needed by the Company's auditor in connection with preparing its report and to establish that the Company's auditor is aware of that information

Auditor

Pursuant to Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006 the auditors will be deemed to be reappointed and KPMG LLP will therefore continue in office

This report was approved by the board on 26 October 2011 and signed on its behalf

B A R Gerrard Company Secretary

The School House 50 Brook Green London W6 7RR

Statement of directors' responsibilities for the year ended 31 March 2011

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

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 Virgin Audio Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Virgin Audio Limited for the year ended 31 March 2011, set out on pages 4 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 on page 2, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the Auditing Practices Board's website at www frc org uk/apb/scope/private cfm

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 March 2011 and of its loss for the year then
 ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, 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

Sarah Styant (Senior statutory auditor)

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for and on behalf of KPMG LLP

Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditor

15 Canada Square London E14 5GL

31 October 2011

Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 March 2011

	Note	2011 £000	2010 £000
Administrative expenses	-	(21)	(27)
Operating loss		(21)	(27)
Income from subsidiary undertakings	4	-	11
Interest payable and similar charges	5 -	(619)	(244)
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation		(640)	(260)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	6	137	•
Loss for the financial year	11	(503)	(260)

All amounts relate to continuing operations

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2011 or 2010 other than those included in the profit and loss account

The notes on pages 6 to 10 form part of these financial statements

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Balance sheet as at 31 March 2011

	Note	£000	2011 £000	£000	2010 £000
Fixed assets					
Investments	7		-		-
Current assets					
Debtors	8	137		-	
Creditors amounts falling due within one year	9	(6,165)		(5,525)	
Net current liabilities		_	(6,028)	_	(5,525)
Net liabilities			(6,028)		(5,525)
Capital and reserves		•		•	
Called up share capital	10		2		2
Share premium account	11		1,405		1,405
Profit and loss account	11		(7,435)		(6,932)
Shareholders' deficit	12		(6,028)		(5,525)

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on 26 October 2011

G D McCallum

Director

The notes on pages 6 to 10 form part of these financial statements

1. Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the Company's financial statements. They have been applied consistently throughout the year and the preceding year.

1 1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

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

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis in view of the fact that the parent undertaking Virgin Group Holdings Limited has formally indicated that it is its present intention to provide sufficient funding to the Company, to enable it to meet its liabilities as they fall due, for at least the next twelve months

The directors have no reason to believe that the parent company will not be in a position to provide the support referred to above and, accordingly, they have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis

The Company is exempt from the requirement to prepare group financial statements by virtue of being subject to the small companies regime of the Companies Act 2006. These financial statements present information about the Company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

Under Financial Reporting Standard 1 the Company is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement on the grounds of its size

1.2 Investments

Investments held as fixed assets are shown at cost less provision for impairment

13 Deferred taxation

Full provision is made for deferred tax assets and liabilities arising from all timing differences between the recognition of gains and losses in the financial statements and recognition in the tax computation

A net deferred tax asset is recognised only if 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 assets and liabilities are calculated at the tax rates expected to be effective at the time the timing differences are expected to reverse

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted

14 Foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate ruling on the date of the transaction

Exchange gains and losses are recognised in the Profit and loss account

2	Auditors' remuneration		
		2011 £000	2010 £000
	Fees payable to the Company's auditor for the audit of the Company's annual accounts	4	4
3.	Directors' remuneration		
	The directors did not receive any remuneration during the year for services to t	he Company (2010	£nıl)
4.	Income from subsidiary undertakings		
		2011 £000	2010 £000
	Income from subsidiary undertakings	-	11
	On 22 March 2010, the Company received CHF 17,245 (£10,815) from distribution of surplus cash from Mayfly SA upon liquidation	its investment, M	layfly SA, being
5	Interest payable and similar charges		
		2011 £000	2010 £000
	On loans from group undertakings Net foreign exchange loss	136 483	130 114
		619	244
6	Taxation		
		2011 £000	2010 £000
	Adjustments in respect of prior periods	(137)	-
	Tax on loss on ordinary activities	(137)	-

6. Taxation (continued)

Factors affecting tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year is higher than (2010 - higher than) the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 28% (2010 - 28%) The differences are explained below

	2011 £000	2010 £000
Loss on ordinary activities before tax	(640)	(260)
Loss on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 28% (2010 - 28%)	(179)	(73)
Effects of:		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	173	72
Adjustments to tax charge in respect of prior periods	(137)	•
Non-taxable income	-	(3)
UK tax losses not utilised or not recognised	6	4
Current tax (credit)/charge for the year (see note above)	(137)	-

Factors that may affect future tax charges

Details of the Company's total recognised and unrecognised deferred tax assets at the year end (and prior year end) are shown in the table in the balance sheet note below

A deferred tax asset is regarded as recoverable and therefore recognised only when, on the basis of all 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 difference can be deducted

On 23 March 2011, a resolution passed by Parliament reduced the main rate of corporation tax to 26 per cent from 1 April 2011, which is reflected within the deferred tax calculations within these financial statements

On 5 July 2011, legislation to further reduce the main rate of corporation tax from 26 per cent to 25 per cent from 1 April 2012 was substantially enacted, which has not been reflected in the above calculation

Further reductions to the main rate are proposed to reduce the rate by 1 per cent per annum to 23 per cent by i April 2014 None of these expected rate reductions had been substantively enacted at the balance sheet date and, therefore, are not included in these financial statements

	2011	2011	2010	2010
	Recognised	Unrecognised	Recognised	Unrecognised
	£000	£000	£000	£000
UK tax losses		(43)	<u>-</u>	(168)

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The Company's subsidiary, Virgin Hotels Inc was dissolved during the year

8.	Debtors		
		2011	2010
		£000	£000
	Amounts owed by group undertakings		-
9	Creditors:		
	Amounts falling due within one year		
		2011	2010
		£000	£000
	Amounts owed to group undertakings Accruals and deferred income	6,162 3	5,522 3
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		6,165	5,525
10	Share capital		
		2011	2010
		£000	£000
	Allotted, called up and fully paid		_
	2,001 Ordinary shares of £1 each	2	2
11.	Reserves		
11.	Reserves		
		Share premium	Profit and loss
		account	account
		€000	£000
	At 1 April 2010 Loss for the year	1,405	(6,932) (503)
	At 31 March 2011	1,405	(7,435)
	7 C J March 2011		
12.	Reconciliation of movement in shareholders' deficit		
		2011	2010
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	Opening shareholders' deficit Loss for the year	(5,525) (503)	(5,265) (260)
	Closing shareholders' deficit	(6,028)	(5,525)

13. Related party transactions

At 31 March 2011 the Company's ultimate parent undertaking was Virgin Group Holdings Limited, whose principal shareholders are certain trusts, none of which individually has a controlling interest in Virgin Group Holdings Limited. The principal beneficiaries of those trusts are Sir Richard Branson and/or his immediate family. The shareholders of Virgin Group Holdings Limited have interests directly or indirectly in certain other companies which are considered to give rise to related party disclosures under Financial Reporting Standard No. 8

At the year end, the Company had the following amounts outstanding and transactions in the period with related parties

		2011	2010
		000£	£000
Creditors	J	6,162	5,522
Interest payable		136	130
Purchases		18	12

The related undertakings are Barfair Limited, Virgin Management Limited and Virgin Group Investments Limited

Interest charged on the creditor balance from Barfair Limited which is denominated in Swiss Francs, is 2 25% above the CHF 3 month LIBOR. All other balances do not attract interest

14. Ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party

At 31 March 2011, the Company's ultimate parent undertaking was Virgin Group Holdings Limited, a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands