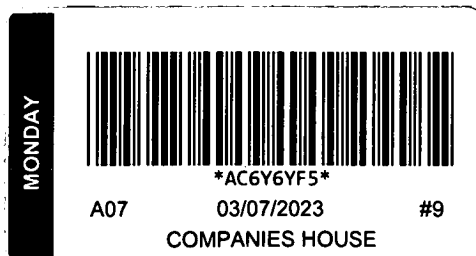


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NTL KIRKLEES HOLDINGS LIMITED

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022



NTL KIRKLEES HOLDINGS LIMITED

COMPANY INFORMATION

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M D Hardman

Company secretary

VMED O2 Secretaries Limited

Registered number

04169826

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**STRATEGIC REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

Principal activities and business review

ntl Kirklees Holdings Limited, (the 'company') is a wholly-owned subsidiary of VMED O2 UK Limited (VMED O2) (Virgin Media O2) (the group).

The principal activity of the company during the year was, and will continue to be, that of a holding company. The investments of the company are shown in note 5.

The company is a subsidiary of Virgin Media O2. Virgin Media O2 has a customer-first approach and combines the UK's largest mobile network of 44.7 million connections, with 5G available in over 1,600 towns and cities, and the UK's largest gigabit broadband network offering 1.1Gbps speeds across 16.1 million homes. Through a converged offering customers can access our proposition across both networks experiencing high-value innovative products and services as we upgrade the U.K.

Further details of Business Overview including 'How We Create Value', 'Our Markets and Regulatory Backdrop' and 'Our Group Strategy' during the financial year ended 31 December 2022 are included in the 2022 Consolidated Annual Report of VMED O2 UK Limited which is available from the company secretary at 500 Brook Drive, Reading, United Kingdom, RG2 6UU and is published on the website <https://news.virginmediao2.co.uk/>.

Principal risks and uncertainties

Financial and operational risk management is undertaken as part of the group operations as a whole. The company's operations expose it to a variety of operational and financial risks. These are considered in more detail in the Consolidated Annual Report of VMED O2 UK Limited.

Key performance indicators (KPIs)

The directors do not use KPIs to assess the performance of the company as its principal activity is that of a holding company.

Sustainability

Details of 'Sustainability' during the financial year ended 31 December 2022 are included in the 2022 Consolidated Annual Report of VMED O2 UK Limited.

Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD)

Details of 'Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD)' during the financial year ended 31 December 2022 are included in the 2022 Consolidated Annual Report of VMED O2 UK Limited.

Future outlook

It is the intention of the directors that this entity will continue to operate as a holding company. The directors will continue to review management policies in light of changing trading and market conditions. Further detail of the future outlook of the group is provided in the Consolidated Annual Report of VMED O2 UK Limited.

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Section 172 Statement

This statement explains how the directors have acted in good faith in the interest of the shareholders and taken into account the matters set out in section 172 of the Companies Act 2006. This includes the obligation for the directors to have regard for the company's long-term sustainability, and its stakeholders, when making principal decisions of strategic importance during the reporting year. As a responsible business we are committed to conducting our operations with integrity and fairness. Our Code of Conduct sets out our commitment to doing the right thing and maintaining the highest ethical and legal standards.

The company is part of VMED O2 and for administrative efficiencies, the company's key stakeholder engagements are conducted at operational level, led by members of the Executive Management (Executives). The Executives have the delegated authority to manage the day-to-day affairs of the operating businesses within the group. Each Executive Sponsor heads a business division, is supported by specialist teams tasked with understanding the needs and priorities of the key stakeholders, and ensures that the Executives are fully briefed on such matters before making strategic decisions. In discharging their duties, each director has adopted the group's governance framework including the interest of the company and group's stakeholders when taking decisions. The directors also considered the relevant matters to the extent necessary for the understanding of the development, performance and position of the company. For example, the directors considered the matters of concerns to the wider stakeholder group when considering the adequacy of its financial commitments to further enable the company to meet its obligations to the group. Further details of how the group considers the matters set out in section 172 of the Companies Act 2006 are set out in the Corporate Governance Statement of the consolidated Annual Report of VMED O2 UK Limited.

This report was approved by the board and signed on its behalf by:



M D Hardman
Director

Date: 28 June 2023

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**DIRECTORS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

The directors present their report and the non-audited financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Results and dividends

The profit for the year, after tax, amounted to £nil (2021 - profit of £nil).

The directors have not recommended an ordinary dividend (2021 - £nil).

Directors

The directors who served during the year and thereafter were as follows:

J L Boyle
M D Hardman

The directors of the company have been indemnified against liability in respect of proceedings brought by third parties, subject to the conditions set out in the Companies Act 2006. Such qualifying third party indemnity provision is in force for directors serving during the financial year and as at the date of approving the Directors' Report.

Political donations

The company did not make any political donations during the year (2021 - £nil).

UK employee engagement statement

We solely operate in the UK and our employees are based in the UK, details of the group's commitment to employees can be found in the People section of the Consolidated Annual Report of VMED O2 UK Limited.

The company does not employ individuals directly. The group solely operates in the UK and employees are employed by other group companies based in the UK. For administrative efficiencies employee engagement is conducted at group level, below are a few examples of the group's engagement during the year:

- Quarterly live streams led by the CEO and the Executives including Questions and Answers sessions;
- Workplace, an interactive social platform two-way communication,
- Executives tour across the country and corporate sites. The focus was to have a dialogue on the cost-of-living with employees; and
- Pulse surveys with a wide range of questions to understand the views and perceptions of employees.

Further examples of how the group has had regard to the interests of its employees and the effect this has had on the decisions taken by the group can be found in the Consolidated Annual Report of VMED O2 UK Limited.

Corporate governance

The company adopts the same governance framework for the group and full details of the governance arrangement can be found in the Corporate Governance Statement of VMED O2 UK Limited's Consolidated Annual Report.

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**DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

Stakeholder statement

From the board's perspective, as a result of the group's governance structure (the board being part of the group's Executive Management Team), stakeholder engagement generally takes place at the group's operational level. This is the most efficient and effective approach which helps the group (including the company) achieve greater positive impact on environmental, social and other issues that are relevant to the company. Also details of the company's approach to modern Slavery and Payment Practices are published in accordance with statutory obligations. Further details of the group's stakeholder relationships and engagements are set out in the Corporate Governance Statement of VMED O2 UK Limited's Consolidated Annual Report.

Energy and carbon report

Disclosures concerning greenhouse gas emission, energy consumption and energy efficiency are done at a group level and are contained in the Streamlined Energy and Carbon Statement of VMED O2 UK Limited's Consolidated Annual Report.

Research and Development

Research and development activities are conducted at group level and disclosed in the Consolidated Annual Report of VMED O2 UK Limited.

Going concern

After making suitable enquiries, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for at least 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing these financial statements.

Audit exemption

VMED O2 UK Holdings Limited issued a guarantee against all outstanding liabilities to which the company is subject as at 31 December 2022, until they are satisfied in full. The guarantee is enforceable against VMED O2 UK Holdings Limited by any person to whom the company is liable in respect of those liabilities. Since VMED O2 UK Holdings Limited is the smallest group to which the company's accounts are consolidated, the company has taken advantage of the exemption from audit of its individual accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 by virtue of section 479A of the Companies Act 2006.

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

This report was approved by the board and signed on its behalf by:



J L Boyle
Director

Date: 28 June 2023

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**DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and 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 they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the Annual Report and the UK-adopted international 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 company's profit or loss for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable, relevant and reliable,
- assess the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern; and
- use the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

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 its financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are 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, and have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

Under applicable law and regulations, the directors are also responsible for preparing a Strategic Report and a Directors' Report that complies with that law and those regulations.

NTL KIRKLEES HOLDINGS LIMITED
REGISTERED NUMBER: 04169826

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	2022 £000	2021 £000
Fixed assets			
Investments in subsidiaries	5	77,000	77,000
Net assets		<u>77,000</u>	<u>77,000</u>
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	6	-	-
Retained earnings	7	77,000	77,000
Total shareholder's funds		<u>77,000</u>	<u>77,000</u>

The directors consider that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to have an audit under the provisions of section 479A of the Companies Act 2006 ("the Act") and members have not required the company to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

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

The company's financial statements have been delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

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

Mark Hardman

M D Hardman

Director

Date: 28 June 2023

The notes on pages 8 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Share capital £000	Retained earnings £000	Total shareholder's funds £000
Balance as at 1 January 2022	-	77,000	77,000
Balance as at 31 December 2022	-	77,000	77,000

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	Share capital £000	Retained earnings £000	Total shareholder's funds £000
Balance as at 1 January 2021	-	77,000	77,000
Balance as at 31 December 2021	-	77,000	77,000

The notes on pages 8 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

1. Company information

ntl Kirklees Holding Limited (the 'company') was dormant for the year ended 31 December 2022.

The company is a private company incorporated, domiciled and registered in the UK. The registered number is 04169826 and the registered address is 500 Brook Drive, Reading, United Kingdom, RG2 6UU.

In accordance with s400 of the Companies Act 2006, consolidated financial statements for this company have not been prepared as the company and its subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements of VMED O2 UK Limited for the period ended 31 December 2022.

2. Accounting policies**2.1 Basis of accounting**

A summary of the principal accounting policies is set out below. All accounting policies have been applied consistently, unless noted below.

The company was dormant (within the meaning of section 480 of the Companies Act 2006) throughout the year ended 31 December 2022. The company has not traded during the year or during the preceding financial year. During these periods, the company received no income and incurred no expenditure and therefore made neither profit nor loss.

These financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis and under the historical cost basis in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 and Financial Reporting Standard 101 *Reduced Disclosure Framework* ("FRS 101").

In preparing these financial statements, the company applies the recognition, measurement and disclosure requirements of International Accounting Standards in conformity with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, but makes amendments where necessary in order to comply with Companies Act 2006 and has set out below where advantage of the FRS 101 disclosure exemptions has been taken.

The company's ultimate parent undertaking, VMED O2 UK Limited, includes the company in its consolidated financial statements. The consolidated financial statements of VMED O2 UK Limited are prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards in conformity with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

In these financial statements, the company has applied the exemptions available under FRS 101 in respect of the following disclosures:

- a cashflow statement and related notes;
- comparative period reconciliations for share capital;
- disclosures in respect of related party transactions with fellow group undertakings;
- disclosures in respect of capital management
- the effects of new but not yet effective IFRSs;
- disclosures in respect of the compensation of key management personnel; and
- disclosures of transactions with a management entity that provides key management personnel services to the company.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

2. Accounting policies (continued)**2.2 Going concern**

The financial statements have been approved on the assumption that the company remains a going concern. The following paragraphs summarise the basis on which the directors have reached their conclusion.

It is VMED O2's practice for operational and financial management to be undertaken at a group level rather than for individual entities that are wholly owned by the group. Treasury operations and cash management for all of VMED O2 UK Limited wholly owned subsidiaries are managed on a group basis. As part of normal business practice, regular cash flow forecasts for both short and long term commitments are undertaken at group level.

Forecasts and projections, which take into account of reasonably possible downsides in trading performance, prepared for the group as a whole, indicate that cash on hand, together with cash from operations and revolving credit facilities, are expected to be sufficient for the group's and hence the company's cash requirements through to at least 12 months from the approval of these financial statements. The group has indicated its intention to continue to make such funds available to the company as are needed. In addition, VMED O2 UK Limited has formally indicated its intention to continue to support the company financially for at least this period.

Whilst the detailed cash flow forecasts are prepared at the group level, the directors have also assessed the position of the company. This assessment indicates that, taking account of reasonably possible downsides, the company will have sufficient resources, through funding from fellow subsidiary companies to meet its liabilities as they fall due for that period.

As with any company placing reliance on other group entities for financial support, the directors acknowledge that there can be no certainty that this support will continue although, at the date of approval of these financial statements, they have no reason to believe that it will not do so. Consequently, the directors are confident that the company will have sufficient funds to continue to meet its liabilities as they fall due for at least 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements and have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis.

2.3 Investments in subsidiaries

Investments are recorded at cost, less provision for impairment as appropriate. The company assesses at each reporting date whether there is an indication that an investment may be impaired. If any such indication exists, the company makes an estimate of the investment's recoverable amount. Where the carrying amount of an investment exceeds its recoverable amount, the investment is considered impaired and is written down to its recoverable amount. A previously recognised impairment loss is reversed only if there was an event not foreseen in the original impairment calculations, such as a change in use of the investment or a change in economic conditions. The reversal of impairment loss would be to the extent of the lower of the recoverable amount and the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the investment in prior years.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

3. Judgements in applying accounting policies and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In preparing these financial statements, management has made estimates and judgements that affect the application of the company's accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses.

Estimates and assumptions***Carrying value of investments***

Investments are held at cost less any necessary provision for impairment. Where the impairment assessment did not provide any indication of impairment, no provision is required. If any such indications exist, the carrying value of an investment is written down to its recoverable amount.

4. Employees

The company does not have any directly employed staff and is not charged an allocation of staff costs by the group. Details of staff numbers and staff costs of the group are disclosed in the Consolidated Annual Report of VMED O2 UK Limited.

The directors received no remuneration for the qualifying services as directors of this company. All directors' remuneration for those which were in office during 2022 and 2021 is disclosed in the Consolidated Annual Report of VMED O2 UK Holdings Limited, which is available from the company secretary at 500 Brook Drive, Reading, United Kingdom, RG2 6UU.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

5. Investments in subsidiaries

	Investments in subsidiaries £000
Cost	
At 1 January 2022	293,835
At 31 December 2022	293,835
Impairment	
At 1 January 2022	216,835
At 31 December 2022	216,835
Net book value	
At 31 December 2022	77,000
At 31 December 2021	77,000

Subsidiary undertakings

The investments in which the company holds at least 20% of the nominal value of any class of share capital, all of which are unlisted, are as follows:

Name of company	Holdings	Proportion held	Nature of business
Direct shareholdings			
ntl Kirklees	'B' Ordinary	97.55%	Telecoms

In the opinion of the directors the aggregate value of the investments in subsidiary undertakings is not less than the amount at which they are stated in the financial statements.

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6. Share capital

	2022 £	2021 £
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
5,000 (2021 - 5,000) Ordinary shares of £0.0001 each	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

7. Retained earnings**Share capital**

The balance classified as share capital represents the nominal value on issue of the company's share capital, comprising £0.0001 ordinary shares.

Retained earnings

Includes all current and prior period retained profits and losses net of dividends paid.

8. Guarantees

Fellow group undertakings are party to a senior secured credit facility with a syndicate of banks. As at 31 December 2022, this comprised term facilities that amounted to £7,501 million (2021 - £5,916 million) of which £650 million was undrawn (2021 - fully drawn) and revolving credit facilities of £1,378 million (2021 - £1,378 million), which were undrawn as at 31 December 2022 and 2021. Borrowings under the facilities are secured against the assets of certain members of the group.

In addition, a fellow group undertaking has issued senior secured notes which, subject to certain exceptions, share the same guarantees and security which have been granted in favour of the senior secured credit facility. The amount outstanding under the senior secured notes at 31 December 2022 amounted to £8,544 million (2021 - £8,066 million). Borrowings under the notes are secured against the assets of certain members of the group.

Furthermore, a fellow group undertaking has issued senior notes for which certain fellow group undertakings, have guaranteed the notes on a senior subordinated basis. The amount outstanding under the senior notes as at 31 December 2022 amounted to approximately £1,207 million (2021 - £1,103 million).

The company is a member of the group, which manages its liquidity at the consolidated group level. As such, while the company is not itself a guarantor of the credit facilities, senior secured notes and senior notes discussed above, any action to enforce the guarantees and security given by fellow group undertakings could impact upon the company as a part of that group.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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9. Controlling party

The company's immediate parent undertaking is Virgin Media Operations Limited.

The smallest and largest groups of which the company is a member and into which the company's accounts were consolidated at 31 December 2022 are VMED O2 UK Holdings Limited and VMED O2 UK Limited, respectively.

The company's ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party at 31 December 2022 was VMED O2 UK Limited.