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

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#### **COMPANY INFORMATION**

**DIRECTORS** 

V M Lean (resigned 13 April 2015) H J Rowland (resigned 13 April 2015) S Simargool (resigned 13 April 2015) A J Yuill (resigned 7 February 2014)

E L Rowland

A D Rowland (appointed 19 March 2014)

**COMPANY SECRETARY** Y Kelsey

REGISTERED NUMBER 04226899

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS** 

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#### STRATEGIC REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

The principal activity of the company during the year ended 31 December 2014 has continued to be to act as an investment manager. During this period, the Board of Directors have conducted a strategic review of the business within the context of maintaining value for the company's shareholder. This review has involved a full analysis of the revenue streams and costs of the business given the level of activity. It was proposed therefore that given the nature of the company's sources of revenue, and the cost of maintaining a business that conducts regulated activities, the company would apply to the FCA for cancellation of its Part IV permission. This cancellation was effective from 26 February 2015.

The main focus for the company is now to reduce operating costs in order to improve the overall profit and loss position. The main activity will be to act as a strategic advisor to the wider corporate group, providing support in terms of UK expertise which has been accumulated over the years. Given that future revenue is foreseen to be from the provision of advisory services to intra-group entities, the directors see the principal risks of the business to be minimal.

The company's key performance indicators will be the revenue stream from the provision of advisory services

This report was approved by the board on 165eptember 2015 and signed on its behalf

E L Rowland Director

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

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2014

#### **DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT**

The directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, 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 accounting 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.

#### **DIVIDENDS**

No dividends will be distributed for the year ended 31 December 2014

# **DIRECTORS**

The directors who served during the year were

V M Lean (resigned 13 April 2015) H J Rowland (resigned 13 April 2015) S Simargool (resigned 13 April 2015) A J Yuill (resigned 7 February 2014) E L Rowland A D Rowland (appointed 19 March 2014)

#### **DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS**

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 auditors
  are 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 relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information

# DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

# **AUDITORS**

The auditors, Price Bailey LLP, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006

This report was approved by the board on 16 September 2015

and signed on its behalf

E L Rowland Director

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF BLACKFISH CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Blackfish Capital Management Limited for the year ended 31 December 2014, set out on pages 6 to 14. 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 Auditors' 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 AUDITORS

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement, 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 Strategic Report and the Directors' 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 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 Strategic Report and the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF BLACKFISH CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LIMITED

## 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

Baren Moore FCCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of Price Bailey LLP

Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditors

20 Central Avenue St Andrews Business Park Thorpe St Andrew Norwich Norfolk NR7 0HR

Date

2512 September 2015

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

	Note	2014 £	2013 £
TURNOVER	1,2	330,789	561,923
Administrative expenses		(696,846)	(733,114)
OPERATING LOSS	3	(366,057)	(171,191)
Interest receivable and similar income		<u> 144</u>	602
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		(365,913)	(170,589)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	7		-
LOSS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	12	(365,913)	(170,589)

All amounts relate to continuing operations

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2014 or 2013 other than those included in the Profit and Loss Account

The notes on pages 8 to 14 form part of these financial statements

# BLACKFISH CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LIMITED REGISTERED NUMBER: 04226899

# BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2014

	Note	£	2014 £	£	2013 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8		33,884		37,823
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	277,130		586,224	
Cash at bank		283,363		373,627	
	-	560,493	•	959,851	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	10	(228,720)		(266,104)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS	•		331,773		693,747
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILIT	IES		365,657		731,570
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			<del></del>		
Called up share capital	11		4,492,539		4,492,539
Profit and loss account	12		(4,126,882)		(3,760,969)
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	13		365,657		731,570

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on 16.9.15.

E L Rowland Director

The notes on pages 8 to 14 form part of these financial statements

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

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 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

#### 1.2 Turnover

Turnover is attributable to fee income arising from management and advisory services and other services provided during the year, exclusive of Value Added Tax

#### 1.3 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases.

Motor vehicles - over 4 years
Fixtures & fittings - over 5 years
Office equipment - over 3 years

# 1.4 Operating leases

Rentals under operating leases are charged to the Profit and Loss Account on a straight line basis over the lease term

#### 1.5 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. TURNOVER

All turnover arose within the United Kingdom

## 3 OPERATING LOSS

The operating loss is stated after charging/(crediting)

	2014 £	2013 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets		
- owned by the company	14,534	12,693
Operating lease rentals		
- plant and machinery	1,836	2,077
- other operating leases	167,875	167,875
Difference on foreign exchange	1,178	2,910

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

4.	AUDITOR'S REMUNERATION		
		2014 £	2013 £
	Fees payable to the company's auditor and its associates for the audit of the company's annual accounts  Fees payable to the company's auditor and its associates in respect of	3,000	3,000
	All taxation advisory services not included above All assurance services not included above	1,500 9,500	1,500 9,500
5.	STAFF COSTS		
	Staff costs, including directors' remuneration, were as follows		
		2014 £	2013 £
	Wages and salaries Social security costs	78,087 8,598	74,833 8,218
		86,685	83,051
	The average monthly number of employees, including the directors, or	during the year was a	s follows
		2014	2013
	Administration	2	2
6.	DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION		
		2014 £	2013 £
	Remuneration	-	14,667

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

## 7 TAXATION

# Factors affecting tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year is lower than (2013 - lower than) the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 20% (2013 - 20%). The differences are explained below

	2014 £	2013 £
Loss on ordinary activities before tax	(365,913)	(170,589)
Loss on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 20% (2013 - 20%)	(73,183)	(34,118)
Effects of		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Depreciation for period in excess of capital allowances Unrelieved tax losses carried forward	74 691 72,418	756 386 32,976
Current tax charge for the year (see note above)	<del></del>	<u> </u>

# Factors that may affect future tax charges

At 31 December 2014, the company has, subject to the agreement of HM Revenue and Customs, losses of £3,832,155 (2013 £3,470,068) which are available to carry forward against future trading profits. A deferred tax asset of £766,431 (2013 £694,014) in respect of these losses has not been recognised in the financial statements because of the uncertainty as to the timing of future profits

## 8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Motor vehicles £	Fixtures & fittings £	Office equipment £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 January 2014 Additions	42,950	164,554 10,595	43,972	251,476 10,595
At 31 December 2014	42,950	175,149	43,972	262,071
Depreciation				
At 1 January 2014 Charge for the year	8,948 10,737	162,498 2,032	42,207 1,765	213,653 14,534
At 31 December 2014	19,685	164,530	43,972	228,187
Net book value				
At 31 December 2014	23,265	10,619	-	33,884
At 31 December 2013	34,002	2,056	1,765	37,823

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

9	DEBTORS		
		2014 £	2013 £
	Amounts owed by related parties Other debtors Prepayments and accrued income	170,941 10,588 95,601	482,661 6,114 97,449
		277,130	586,224
10.	CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year		
		2014 £	2013 £
	Trade creditors Amounts owed to related parties Accruats and deferred income	20,542 145,678 62,500	13,240 190,364 62,500
		228,720	266,104
4.4	OLIABE GABITAL		
11.	SHARE CAPITAL	2014 £	2013 £
	Allotted, called up and fully paid		
	4,492,539 ordinary shares of £1 each	4,492,539	4,492,539
12	RESERVES		
			Profit and loss account £
	At 1 January 2014 Loss for the financial year		(3,760,969) (365,913)
	At 31 December 2014		(4,126,882)

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

# 13 RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	2014 £	2013 £
Opening shareholders' funds Loss for the financial year	731,570 (365,913)	902,159 (170,589)
Closing shareholders' funds	365,657	731,570

# 14. OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

At 31 December 2014 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows

	Land	Land and buildings		
	2014	2013	2014	2013
	£	£	£	£
Expiry date				
Between 2 and 5 years	167,875	167,875	2,652	2,652

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

#### 15 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Blackfish Capital Management Limited and the companies detailed below are ultimately controlled by The Rowland Purpose Trust 2001

### Banque Havilland S A

During the year Blackfish Capital Management Limited paid expenses to the value of £2,795 (2013 £2,685) on behalf of Banque Havilland S A Blackfish Capital Management Limited also charged this company £194,000 for serviced office fees (2013 £194,000)

At 31 December 2014 there was an amount due from this company totalling £59,113 (2013 £59,810)

#### Silverband Limited

At 31 December 2014 Blackfish Capital Management Limited owed £100,000 to Silverband Limited in respect of a rent deposit (2013 £100,000)

#### Colegate Management Limited

During the year Colegate Management Limited paid expenses to the value of £86,708 (2013 £81,961) as agent on behalf of Blackfish Capital Management Limited

Colegate Management Limited has charged Blackfish Capital Management Limited £Nil (2013 £102,000) for services during the year

At 31 December 2014 there was an amount due to this company totalling £20,298 (2013 £90,079)

#### **Havilland Management Limited**

Havilland Management Limited has charged Blackfish Capital Management Limited £102,000 (2013 £Nil) for services during the year

During the year Blackfish Capital Management Limited paid expenses to the value of £2,216 (2013 £332) on behalf of this company

At 31 December 2014 there was an amount due to this company totalling £25,380 (2013 £Nil)

#### **Nırland Limited**

During the year Blackfish Capital Management Limited charged management fees of £111,789 (2013 £146,179) to Nirland Limited

At 31 December 2014 the total amount due from this company was £111,789 (2013 £146,179)

## **Greenburgh Limited**

During the year Blackfish Capital Management Limited charged management fees of £Nil (2013 £74,221) to Greenburgh Limited

At 31 December 2014 Blackfish Capital Management Limited was owed £Nil (2013 £74,221)

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

#### 15 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)

## Blackfish Capital Global Fund SPC & Blackfish Capital Alpha Fund SPC

During the year the company charged management fees of £Nil (2013 £130,857) The management of these funds ceased at 30 September 2013

At 31 December 2014 Blackfish Capital Management Limited was owed £Nil (2013 £202,452)

# 16 ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING AND CONTROLLING PARTY

During the year the controlling party was Banque Havilland S A , which is incorporated in Luxembourg

The ultimate controlling party was The Rowland Purpose Trust 2001

On 31 March 2015 the ultimate controlling party became Dolphin Limited, a company registered in Guernsey