CAMBIAN CHILDCARE LIMITED ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

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COMPANY INFORMATION

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STRATEGIC REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

The directors present the strategic report for the year ended 30 September 2021.

Review of the business

The company's Key Performance Indicators ("KPIs") are net assets and profit before tax:

	12 months to September 2021	12 months to September 2020	Movement
Net assets	£67.6m	£33.1m	104%
Profit / (loss) before tax	£41.5m	£24.5m	69%

Non-financial KPIs are not material for the company as they are reviewed on a Group basis.

Increased profit before tax for the year is primarily driven by the release of a provision related to sleep-ins in the current financial year. The provision held by the company at 30 September 2020 was £12.4m. On 24 March 2021, the Supreme Court made a final judgement that social care staff are not entitled to the National Minimum Wage for sleep-in shifts and the provision of £12.4m has been released as part of exceptional items in the current year. Please see note 19.

Business risks and strategy

There is a going concern risk because the subsidiaries in which Cambian Group Holdings Limited holds investments rely on publicly funded entities in the UK for substantially all of their revenues. The loss or reduction of such funding, or changes to procurement methods, could negatively impact their occupancy rates which could have a corresponding material adverse effect on the Company's business, results of operations, financial condition or prospects. The company and its subsidiaries mitigate that risk by having established a good working relationship with its customers and by remaining in constant and transparent dialogue with the publicly funded entities with which it does business.

The company and its subsidiaries operate in a highly regulated business environment, which is subject to political and regulatory scrutiny. Failure to comply with regulations or the introduction of new regulations or standards with which the company and its subsidiaries do not comply could lead to substantial penalties, including the loss of registration on some or all of their facilities. This risk is mitigated by focusing on quality of care for service users and consistently maintaining high regulatory scores from regulators.

On behalf of the board

C K Dickinson Director 29 July 2022

DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

The directors present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2021.

Principal activities

The principal activity of the Company is specialist care of looked after children including a breadth of therapeutic, residential and special education services.

Results and dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 3.

Directors

The directors who held office during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were as follows:

C K Dickinson

F Sheikh

H Sheikh

J Ivers

(Resigned 11 August 2021)

J D Wiles

M Ore

Qualifying third party indemnity provisions

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 reporting date.

Disabled persons

Applications for employment by disabled persons are always fully considered, bearing in mind the aptitudes of the applicant concerned. In the event of members of staff becoming disabled, every effort is made to ensure that their employment within the company's continues and that the appropriate training is arranged. It is the policy of the company that the training, career development and promotion of disabled persons should, as far as possible, be identical to that of other employees.

Employee involvement

The company's policy is to consult and discuss with employees, through unions, staff councils and at meetings, matters likely to affect employees' interests.

Information of matters of concern to employees is given through information bulletins and reports which seek to achieve a common awareness on the part of all employees of the financial and economic factors affecting the group's performance.

There is no employee share scheme at present, but the directors are considering the introduction of such a scheme as a means of further encouraging the involvement of employees in the company's performance.

Energy and carbon report

Cambian Childcare Limited is a fully owned subsidiary of Caretech Holdings PLC. Energy and carbon reporting is disclosed for the group as a whole in the consolidated accounts of Caretech Holdings PLC. The group accounts of Caretech Holdings PLC are available to the public and can be obtained as set out in note 23.

On behalf of the board

C K Dickinson Director

Date: 29.July.2022

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

		2021	2020
	Notes	£000	£000
Revenue	4	111,307	103,707
Cost of sales		(62,257)	(60,755)
Gross profit		49,050	42,952
Administrative expenses		(21,357)	(19,176)
Exceptional item		12,231	(1,031)
Operating profit	6	39,924	22,745
Investment income	7	1,609	1,822
Finance costs	8	(81)	(112)
Profit before taxation		41,452	24,455
Tax on profit	9	(7,024)	(4,689)
Profit and total comprehensive income	for the		
financial year		34,428	19,766
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The income statement has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

			
		2021	2020
	Notes	£000	£000
Non-current assets			
Intangible assets - goodwill	10	3,854	3,854
Other intangible assets	10	82	87
Property, plant and equipment	11	12,424	11,648
Investments	12	2,039	2,039
		18,399	17,628
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Current assets			
Inventories	14	49	49
Trade and other receivables	15	78,559	52,443
Deferred tax asset	18	570	2,609
Cash and cash equivalents		1,243	2,488
		80,421	57,589
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	16	18,242	18,163
Taxation and social security		11,033	8,490
Lease liabilities	17	761 ———	1,207
		30,036	27,860
Net current assets		50,385	29,729
			
Total assets less current liabilities		68,784	47,357
Non-current liabilities			
Lease liabilities	17	1,223	1,785
Provisions for liabilities			10 100
Other provisions	19	-	12,439 ———
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Net assets		67,561 =	33,133 =====

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (CONTINUED)

AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

	Notes	2021 £000	2020 £000
Equity			
Called up share capital	21	52	52
Capital redemption reserve	22	12	12
Retained earnings		67,497	33,069
Total equity		67,561	33,133
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For the financial year ended 30 September 2021 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 479A of the Companies Act 2006 relating to subsidiary companies.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The member has not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 29.001/y.2022..... and are signed on its behalf by:

C K Dickinson

Director

Company Registration No. 04280519

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

	Share capital £000	Capital redemption reserve £000	Retained earnings	Total £000
Balance at 1 October 2019	52	12	13,303	13,367
Year ended 30 September 2020. Profit and total comprehensive income for the year			19,766	19,766
Balance at 30 September 2020	52	12	33,069	33,133
Year ended 30 September 2021: Profit and total comprehensive income for the year			34,428	34,428
Balance at 30 September 2021	52 	12	67,497	67,561

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

1 Accounting policies

Company information

Cambian Childcare Limited is a private company limited by shares incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Metropolitan House, 3 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar, Hertfordshire, EN6 1AG. The company's principal activities and nature of its operations are disclosed in the directors' report.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework (FRS 101) and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £000.

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except that certain financial instruments are stated at their fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

The company has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemptions under FRS 101:

- the requirements of paragraphs 45(b) and 46-52 of IFRS 2 Share based Payment;
- the requirements of paragraphs 62, B64(d), B64(e), B64(g), B64(f), B64(j) to B64(m), B64(n)(ii), B64 (o)(ii), B64(p), B64(q)(ii), B66 and B67 of IFRS 3 Business Combinations. Equivalent disclosures are included in the consolidated financial statements of its ultimate parent company, CareTech Holdings PLC in which the entity is consolidated;
- the requirements of paragraph 33 (c) of IFRS 5 Non current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations;
- the requirements of IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures;
- the requirements of paragraphs 91-99 of IFRS 13 Fair Value Measurement;
- the requirement in paragraph 38 of IAS 1 'Presentation of Financial Statements' to present comparative information in respect of: (i) paragraph 79(a) (iv) of IAS 1, (ii) paragraph 73(e) of IAS 16 Property Plant and Equipment (iii) paragraph 118 (e) of IAS 38 Intangibles Assets, (iv) paragraphs 76 and 79(d) of IAS 40 Investment Property and (v) paragraph 50 of IAS 41 Agriculture;
- the requirements of paragraphs 10(d), 10(f), 16, 38A to 38D, 39 to 40 ,111 and 134-136 of IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements;
- · the requirements of IAS 7 Statement of Cash Flows;
- the requirements of paragraphs 30 and 31 of IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors:
- the requirements of paragraph 17 of IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures;
- the requirements in IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures to disclose related party transactions entered into between two or more members of a group, provided that any subsidiary which is a party to the transaction is wholly owned by such a member; and
- the requirements of paragraphs 134(d)-134(f) and 135(c)-135(e) of IAS 36 Impairment of Assets.
- the requirements of paragraph 52, the second sentence of paragraph 89, and paragraphs 90, 91 and 93 of IFRS 16 Leases.

As permitted by FRS 101, the company has taken advantage of the disclosure exemptions available under that standard in relation to share based payments, financial instruments, capital management, presentation of a cash flow statement, presentation of comparative information in respect of certain assets, standards not yet effective, impairment of assets, business combinations, discontinued operations and related party transactions.

Where required, equivalent disclosures are given in the group accounts of CareTech Holdings PLC. The group accounts of CareTech Holdings PLC are available to the public and can be obtained as set out in note 23.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

1 Accounting policies

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The company has taken advantage of the exemption under section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 not to prepare consolidated accounts. The financial statements present information about the company as an individual entity and not about its group.

Cambian Childcare Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of CareTech Holdings PLC and the results of Cambian Childcare Limited are included in the consolidated financial statements of CareTech Holdings PLC which are available from as set out in note 23.

1.2 Going concern

The directors have at the time of approving the financial statements, a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the directors continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Revenue

Revenue in respect of the provision of care services is measured as the fair value of fee income received or receivable in respect of the services provided and is recognised in respect of the care that has been provided in the relevant period. Any additional services provided by the group are recognised on provision of the service. Fostering revenue is recognised on the basis of the daily placements made with a full day's revenue recognised for every night a placement is with a foster carer.

Revenue in respect of learning services is directly linked to specific achievements, and milestones reached by apprentices at which point the funding from the Skills Funding Agency is receivable. A corresponding balance is recognised in receivables.

Revenue which has been invoiced but irrecoverable is treated as a bad debt expense. Revenue invoiced in advance is included in deferred income until the service is provided. Revenue is recognised net of VAT and credit notes.

1.4 Goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of acquisition of unincorporated businesses over the fair value of net assets acquired. It is initially recognised as an asset at cost and is subsequently measured at cost less impairment losses.

The gain on a bargain purchase is recognised in profit or loss in the period of the acquisition.

For the purposes of impairment testing, goodwill is allocated to the cash-generating units expected to benefit from the acquisition. Cash-generating units to which goodwill has been allocated are tested for impairment at least annually, or more frequently when there is an indication that the unit may be impaired. If the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit is less than the carrying amount of the unit, the impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the unit and then to the other assets of the unit pro-rata on the basis of the carrying amount of each asset in the unit. An impairment loss recognised for goodwill is subsequently reversed if, and only if, the reasons for the impairment loss have ceased to apply.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

1 Accounting policies

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1.5 Intangible assets other than goodwill

Intangible assets acquired separately from a business are recognised at cost and are subsequently measured at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses.

Intangible assets acquired on business combinations are recognised separately from goodwill at the acquisition date where it is probable that the expected future economic benefits that are attributable to the asset will flow to the entity and the fair value of the asset can be measured reliably; the intangible asset arises from contractual or other legal rights; and the intangible asset is separable from the entity.

Amortisation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

· Customer relationships

1 - 20 years

· Non-compete agreements

1 - 5 years

1.6 Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment

15% straight line
25% reducing balance

Motor vehicles
Right-of-use assets

Over the lease term

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the income statement.

1.7 Non-current investments

Interests in subsidiaries, associates and jointly controlled entities are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. The investments are assessed for impairment at each reporting date and any impairment losses or reversals of impairment losses are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

A subsidiary is an entity controlled by the company. Control is the power to govern the financial and operating policies of the entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities.

1.8 Impairment of tangible and intangible assets

At each reporting end date, the company reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the company estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives and intangible assets not yet available for use are tested for impairment annually, and whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

1 Accounting policies

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Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset (or cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase.

1.9 Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost comprises direct materials and, where applicable, direct labour costs and those overheads that have been incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition.

Inventories held for distribution at no or nominal consideration are measured at the lower of cost and replacement cost, adjusted where applicable for any loss of service potential.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price less all estimated costs of completion and costs to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution.

1.10 Fair value measurement

IFRS 13 establishes a single source of guidance for all fair value measurements. IFRS 13 does not change when an entity is required to use fair value, but rather provides guidance on how to measure fair value under IFRS when fair value is required or permitted. The company is exempt under FRS 101 from the disclosure requirements of IFRS 13. There was no impact on the company from the adoption of IFRS 13.

1.11 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.12 Financial assets

Financial assets are recognised in the company's statement of financial position when the company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets are classified into specified categories, depending on the nature and purpose of the financial assets.

At initial recognition, financial assets classified as fair value through profit and loss are measured at fair value and any transaction costs are recognised in profit or loss. Financial assets not classified as fair value through profit and loss are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

1 Accounting policies

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Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

When any of the above-mentioned conditions for classification of financial assets is not met, a financial asset is classified as measured at fair value through profit or loss. Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss are recognized initially at fair value and any transaction costs are recognised in profit or loss when incurred. A gain or loss on a financial asset measured at fair value through profit or loss is recognised in profit or loss, and is included within finance income or finance costs in the statement of income for the reporting period in which it arises.

Financial assets held at amortised cost

Financial instruments are classified as financial assets measured at amortised cost where the objective is to hold these assets in order to collect contractual cash flows, and the contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest. They arise principally from the provision of goods and services to customers (eg trade receivables). They are initially recognised at fair value plus transaction costs directly attributable to their acquisition or issue, and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, less provision for impairment where necessary.

Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

Debt instruments are classified as financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income where the financial assets are held within the company's business model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets, and the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

A debt instrument measured at fair value through other comprehensive income is recognised initially at fair value plus transaction costs directly attributable to the asset. After initial recognition, each asset is measured at fair value, with changes in fair value included in other comprehensive income. Accumulated gains or losses recognised through other comprehensive income are directly transferred to profit or loss when the debt instrument is derecognised.

The company has made an irrevocable election to recognize changes in fair value of investments in equity instruments through other comprehensive income, not through profit or loss. A gain or loss from fair value changes will be shown in other comprehensive income and will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss. Equity instruments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income are recognized initially at fair value plus transaction cost directly attributable to the asset. After initial recognition, each asset is measured at fair value, with changes in fair value included in other comprehensive income. Accumulated gains or losses recognized through other comprehensive income are directly transferred to retained earnings when the equity instrument is derecognized or its fair value substantially decreased. Dividends are recognized as finance income in profit or loss.

Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets, other than those measured at fair value through profit or loss, are assessed for indicators of impairment at each reporting end date.

Financial assets are impaired where there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows of the investment have been affected.

Derecognition of financial assets

Financial assets are derecognised only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or when it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to another entity.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

1 Accounting policies

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1.13 Financial liabilities

The company recognises financial debt when the company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instruments. Financial liabilities are classified as either 'financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss' or 'other financial liabilities'.

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

Financial liabilities are classified as measured at fair value through profit or loss when the financial liability is held for trading. A financial liability is classified as held for trading if:

- · it has been incurred principally for the purpose of selling or repurchasing it in the near term, or
- on initial recognition it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that the company manages together and has a recent actual pattern of short-term profit taking, or
- it is a derivative that is not a financial guarantee contract or a designated and effective hedging instrument.

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are stated at fair value with any gains or losses arising on remeasurement recognised in profit or loss.

Other financial liabilities

Other financial liabilities, including borrowings, trade payables and other short-term monetary liabilities, are initially measured at fair value net of transaction costs directly attributable to the issuance of the financial liability. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. For the purposes of each financial liability, interest expense includes initial transaction costs and any premium payable on redemption, as well as any interest or coupon payable while the liability is outstanding.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when, and only when, the company's obligations are discharged, cancelled, or they expire.

1.14 Equity instruments

Equity instruments issued by the company are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs. Dividends payable on equity instruments are recognised as liabilities once they are no longer at the discretion of the company.

1.15 Taxation

The tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

Current tax

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from net profit as reported in the income statement because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes items that are never taxable or deductible. The company's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting end date.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

1 Accounting policies

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Deferred tax

Deferred tax is the tax expected to be payable or recoverable on differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit, and is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences and deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised. Such assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary difference arises from goodwill or from the initial recognition of other assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the tax profit nor the accounting profit.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each reporting end date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered. Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the liability is settled or the asset is realised. Deferred tax is charged or credited in the income statement, except when it relates to items charged or credited directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is also dealt with in equity. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when the company has a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets and liabilities and the deferred tax assets and liabilities relate to taxes levied by the same tax authority.

1.16 Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the company has a legal or constructive present obligation as a result of a past event and it is probable that the company will be required to settle that obligation, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the reporting end date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. Where a provision is measured using the cash flows estimated to settle the present obligation, its carrying amount is the present value of those cash flows.

When some or all of the economic benefits required to settle a provision are expected to be recovered from a third party, a receivable is recognised as an asset if it is virtually certain that reimbursement will be received and the amount of the receivable can be measured reliably.

1.17 Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense, unless those costs are required to be recognised as part of the cost of inventories or non-current assets.

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the company is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.18 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

1.19 Leases

At inception, the company assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease within the scope of IFRS 16. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. Where a tangible asset is acquired through a lease, the company recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. Right-of-use assets and lease liabilities have been presented separately on the statement of financial position, apart from those that meet the definition of investment property.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

1 Accounting policies

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The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date plus any initial direct costs and an estimate of the cost of obligations to dismantle, remove, refurbish or restore the underlying asset and the site on which it is located, less any lease incentives received.

The right-of-use asset is subsequently depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date to the earlier of the end of the useful life of the right-of-use asset or the end of the lease term. The estimated useful lives of right-of-use assets are determined on the same basis as those of other property, plant and equipment. The right-of-use asset is periodically reduced by impairment losses, if any, and adjusted for certain remeasurements of the lease liability.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are unpaid at the commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the company's incremental borrowing rate. Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise fixed payments, variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, amounts expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, and the cost of any options that the company is reasonably certain to exercise, such as the exercise price under a purchase option, lease payments in an optional renewal period, or penalties for early termination of a lease.

The lease liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. It is remeasured when there is a change in: future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate; the company's estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee; or the company's assessment of whether it will exercise a purchase, extension or termination option. When the lease liability is remeasured in this way, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset, or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero.

The company has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for short-term leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less, or for leases of low-value assets. The payments associated with these leases are recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

2 Adoption of new and revised standards and changes in accounting policies

At the date of authorisation of these financial statements, certain new standards, amendments and interpretations to existing standards have been published by the IASB but are not yet effective and these have not been applied early by the Group. Management anticipates that the following pronouncements relevant to the Group's operation will be adopted in the Group's accounting policies for the first period beginning after the effective date of the pronouncement, once adopted by the EU:

Title	Subject	Effective date per standard
Amendment to IFRS 16 'Leases' COVID-19 – Related Rent Concessions beyond 30 June 2021	COVID-19 – Related Rent Concessions	1 April 2021 per IASB
Amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39, IFRS 7, IFRS 4 and IFRS 16	Interest Rate Benchmark Reform - Phase 2	1 January 2021 per IASB
IFRS 17	Insurance Contracts	1 January 2023 per IASB
Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28 (Sept 2014)	Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture	Postponed

The Directors expect that the adoption of the standards listed above will not have a material impact on the financial information of the Group in future reporting periods.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

3 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the company's accounting policies, the directors are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised, if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

The estimates and assumptions which have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities are outlined below.

Critical judgements

Current asset provisions

In the course of normal trading activities, judgement is used to establish the net realisable value of various elements of working capital, principally trade receivables. Provisions are established for bad and doubtful debts. Provisions are based on the facts available at the time and are also determined by using profiles, based upon past practise, applied to aged receivables.

4 Revenue

	2021	2020
	£000	£000
Revenue analysed by class of business		
Care services	111,307	103,707

5 Employees

The average monthly number of persons (including directors) employed by the company during the year was:

	2021 Number	2020 Number
Care and Education Administration	2,311 20	2,254 92
Total	2,331	2,346

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5	Employees	(Continued)
	Their aggregate remuneration comprised:		
		2021 £000	2020 £000
	Wages and salaries	48,579	47,178
	Social security costs Pension costs	4,634 1,088	4 ,070 1,029
		54,301	52,277
	None of the directors received any emoluments for their services to the componene).	any during the y	/ear (2020:
	The number of directors to whom pension contributions are accruing is nil (2020:	ıil).	
6	Operating profit		
		2021 £000	2020 £000
	Operating profit for the year is stated after charging/(crediting):	2 522	2,361
	Depreciation of property, plant and equipment Loss/(profit) on disposal of property, plant and equipment	2,533 11	2,361
	Amortisation of intangible assets (included within administrative expenses)	5	11
7	Investment income		
		2021	2020
	Interest income	£000	£000
	Interest receivable from group companies	1,609	1,822
8	Finance costs		
		2021	2020
	Interest on other financial liabilities:	£000	£000
	Interest on lease liabilities	81 	112 ———
0	Taxation		
9	Taxation	2021	2020
		£000	£000
	Current tax	F 101	4.004
	UK corporation tax on profits for the current period Adjustments in respect of prior periods	5,191 (206)	4,994
	Total UK current tax	4,985	4,994

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9	Taxation		(C	ontinued)
			2021 £000	2020 £000
	Deferred tax		2000	2000
	Origination and reversal of temporary differences		2,039	(305)
	Total tax charge		7,02 4	4,689
	The charge for the year can be reconciled to the profit per the income	statement as fo	ollows:	
			2021 £000	2020 £000
	Profit before taxation		41,452	24,455
	Expected tax charge based on a corporation tax rate of 19.00% (2020)			
	19.00%)		7,876	4,646
	Effect of expenses not deductible in determining taxable profit Income not taxable		182 (2,367)	181
	Under/(over) provided in prior years		(206)	259
	Deferred tax adjustments in respect of prior years		2,240	(114)
	Restatement of deferred tax to 25% (2020: 19%)		(644)	(283)
	Other tax adjustments		(57)	
	Taxation charge for the year		7,024	4,689
10	Intangible fixed assets			
		Goodwill	Other intangible assets	Total
		£000	£000	£000
	Cost	2.054	047	4.074
	At 30 September 2020	3,854	217	4,071
	At 30 September 2021	3,854	217	4,071
	Amortisation and impairment			
	At 30 September 2020	~	130	130
	Charge for the year		5	5
	At 30 September 2021		135	135
	Carrying amount			
	At 30 September 2021	3,854	82	3.936
	At 30 September 2020	3,854	87	3,941

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11	Property, plant and equipment	Access under	Fixtures,	Motor	Right-of-use	Total
		Assets under construction	fittings and equipment	vehicles	assets	iotai
		£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
	Cost					
	At 30 September 2020	1,873	19,824	64	4,283	26,044
	Additions	184	2,863	-	273	3,320
	Disposals	-	(107)	-	-	(107)
	Transfer to asset in use	(1,673)	1,673			
	At 30 September 2021	384	24,253	64	4,556	29,257
	Accumulated depreciation and impairment					-
	At 30 September 2020	-	12,996	61	1,339	14,396
	Charge for the year	_	1,247	2	1,284	2,533
	Eliminated on disposal	-	(96)	=	<u>.</u>	(96)
	At 30 September 2021		14,147	63	2,623	16,833
	Carrying amount					
	At 30 September 2021	384	10,106	1	1,933	12,424
	At 30 September 2020	1,873	6,828	3	2,944	11,648
12	Investments				Non-curren	•
					2021	2020
					£000	£000
	Investments in subsidiaries				2,039	2,039
					2,039	2,039

The company has not designated any financial assets that are not classified as held for trading as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

Fair value of financial assets carried at amortised cost

The directors consider that the carrying amounts of financial assets carried at amortised cost in the financial statements approximate to their fair values.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

12	Investments			(Continued)		
	Movements in non-curr	rent investments		un	Shares in group dertakings £000	
	Cost or valuation At 1 October 2020 & 30 S	September 2021			2,039	
	Carrying amount At 30 September 2021				2,039	
	At 30 September 2020				2,039	
13	Subsidiaries					
	Details of the company's subsidiaries at 30 September 2021 are as follows:					
	Name of undertaking	Registered office	Nature of business		% Held Direct	
	Interact Care Limited	Metropolitan House, 3 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar, Hertfordshire, EN6 1AG	Residential support		100.00	
14	Inventories			2021 £000	2020 £000	
	Consumables			49	49	
15	Trade and other receive	ables				
				Current	t	
				2021	2020	
				£000	£000	
	Trade receivables			13,869	11,242	
	Amounts owed by fellow	group undertakings		63,725	40,640	
	Other receivables	• •		245	163	
	Prepayments and accrue	ed income		720	398	
				78,559	52.443	
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Deferred tax asset at 30 September 2021

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

16	Trade and other payables		
		2021 £000	2020 £000
		2000	£UUC
	Accruals and deferred income	16,950	16,501
	Other payables	1,292	1,662
		18,242	18,163
7	Lease liabilities		
	Lease liabilities are classified based on the amounts that are expected to and after more than 12 months from the reporting date, as follows:	be settled within the nex	t 12 months
		2021	2020
		£000	£000
	Current liabilities	761	1,207
	Non-current liabilities	1,223	1,785
		1,984	2,992
		2021	2020
	Amounts recognised in profit or loss include the following:	£000	£000
	Interest on lease liabilities	<u>81</u>	112
8	Deferred taxation		
	The following are the major deferred tax liabilities and assets recognise thereon during the current and prior reporting period.	ed by the company and	movements
			ACAs
	Deferred tax asset at 1 October 2019		(2,303
	Deferred tax movements in prior year		
	Charge/(credit) to profit or loss		(306
	Deferred tax asset at 1 October 2020		(2,609
	Deferred tax movements in current year		
	Charge/(credit) to profit or loss		2,039

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18 Deferred taxation (Continued)

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset in the financial statements only where the company has a legally enforceable right to do so.

19 Provisions for liabilities

	£000	£000
Provisions	-	12,439
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Provisions principally comprise an amount provided for legal and other disputes and a provision for dilapidations. The company held a sleep-in provision of £12.4m for the 2020 financial year end. On 24 March 2021, the Supreme Court made a final judgement that social care staff are not entitled to the National Minimum Wage for sleep-in shifts and the provision of £12.4m has been written back.

20 Retirement benefit schemes

Defined contribution schemes	£000	£000
Charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes	1,088	1,029
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The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund.

21	Share capital	2021	2020
	·	£000	£000
	Ordinary share capital		
	Issued and fully paid		
	52,161 Ordinary shares of £1 each	52	52
		=====	
22	Capital redemption reserve		
	oup.tai rodon pilon rodon o	2021	2020
		0003	£000
	At the beginning and end of the year	12	12
	At the beginning and end of the year	12	12

23 Controlling party

The company's ultimate parent undertaking is CareTech Holdings PLC. The consolidated financial statements of this Group are available to the public and may be obtained from Metropolitan House, 3 Darkes lane, Potters Bar, Hertfordshire, EN6 1AG.

The company is included in the consolidated accounts of CareTech Holdings PLC.

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24 Financial instruments

These are designed to reduce the financial risks faced by the company, which primarily relate to credit, interest and liquidity risks, which arise in the normal course of the company's business.

Credit risk

Financial instruments which potentially expose the company to credit risk consist primarily of cash equivalents and trade receivables. Cash equivalents are deposited only with major financial institutions that satisfy certain credit criteria.

Management has a credit policy in place and exposure to credit risk is monitored on an ongoing basis. Credit evaluations are carried out on all significant prospective customers and all existing customers requiring credit beyond a certain threshold. Varying approval levels are set on the extension of credit depending upon the value of the sale.

Where the credit risk is deemed to have risen to an unacceptable level, remedial actions including the variation of terms of trade are implemented under the guidance of senior management until the level of credit risk has been normalised.

The company provides credit to customers in the normal course of business with a provision for specific doubtful receivables. The balance includes the amounts considered recoverable which also equals their fair value. The company does not require collateral in respect of financial assets. During the year there was no charge to the income statement for bad or doubtful debts (30 September 2020: £Nil).

At the balance sheet date, there were no significant concentrations of credit risk. The maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of each financial asset.

Interest rate risk

The company finances its operations through called up share capital, retained profits, intergroup borrowings and bank borrowings. The company's income is by its nature relatively stable and its growth is, inter alia, impacted by inflation. Company policy is to balance interest rate fixes between the short, medium and long term. The benchmark rate for bank borrowings is LIBOR.

Capital risk management

The company manages its capital to ensure that activities of the company will be able to continue as going concerns whilst maximising returns for stakeholders through the optimisation of debt and equity. The company does not currently have any external debt and details of the company's equity are disclosed in the Statement of Financial Position.

Foreign currency risk

The company operates entirely in the UK and is not exposed to any foreign currency risks.

Sensitivity analysis

In managing interest rate risks the company aims to reduce the impact of short-term fluctuations on the company's earnings. Over the longer-term, however, permanent changes in interest rates would have an impact on earnings. However, the wider group's financing arrangements mean that there is not expected to be a significant impact from interest rate changes on the company

Fair values

Book values are considered to be equivalent to fair values.