# ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021



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# **COMPANY INFORMATION**

**Directors** 

Richard Atkinson Stephen Guy Bennett

**Company Secretary** 

Richard Atkinson

Registered number

4541637

Registered office

Yule Catto Building Temple Fields Harlow, Essex United Kingdom CM20 2BH

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#### DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The Directors present their report and the unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

#### **Directors**

The Directors who served during the year and up to the date of signing the financial statements, were:

Richard Atkinson Stephen Guy Bennett

No Directors' indemnity provision is in place.

#### Results and dividends

The profit before taxation for the year on continuing operations amounted to £6,997,000 (2020: £43,322,000). With net assets of £537,473,000 (2020: £368,615,000), the Company remains in a strong financial position.

An interim dividend of £5,190,000 was paid in respect of the year ended 31 December 2021 (2020: £197,004,000). The Directors do not recommend a final dividend for the year (2020: £nil).

#### Review of the business, principal risks and uncertainties, and financial risk management

Temple Fields 514 Limited ("the Company") principal activities during the year were that of a holding company. The Directors intend for this to continue for the foreseeable future.

The Company is a private company limited by shares incorporated in the UK. The registered office is Yule Catto Building, Temple Fields, Harlow, Essex, CM20 2BH.

Synthomer plc Group ("the Group") manages its operations on a divisional basis. For this reason the Company's Directors believe that further key performance indicators for the Company are not necessary or appropriate for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business. The performance of Synthomer plc, which includes the results of the Company, is discussed in the Synthomer plc 2021 Annual Report, which does not form part of this report.

#### Going concern

As outlined in the financial statements below, the Directors believe that the Company can continue to operate for a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements and therefore continue to adopt the going concern basis of preparation.

#### **Directors' liabilities**

Directors' and officers' liability insurance has been renewed during the year.

#### Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies, under section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

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

Richard Atkinson

Director

Date: 24 June 2022

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Note	2021	2020
		000£	£000
Income from shares in group undertakings		5,190	19,173
Profit on ordinary activities before interest and taxation		5,190	19,173
Interest receivable and similar income	6	9,805	31,029
Interest payable and similar expenses	7	(7,998)	(6,880)
Net interest expense		1,807	24,149
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		6,997	43,322
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	8	_	_
Profit for the financial year		6,997	43,322

All items dealt with in arriving at the profit before taxation relate to continuing operations.

The notes on pages 9 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

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Total comprehensive income for the year

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#### BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

<u> </u>					
			2021		2020
	Note		£000		£000
Fixed assets					
Investments	9		708,807		653,243
		•	708,807	_	653,243
Current assets					
Debtors	10	24,167		24,375	
Cash at bank and in hand		5,330		8,817	
		29,497	_	33,192	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(10,521)	<del>-</del>	(6,708)	
Net current assests		-	18,976	_	26,484
Total assets less current liabilities			727,783		679,727
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	12		(190,310)		(311,112)
Net assets		-	537,473	_	368,615
Capital and reserves					
Share capital	14		113,778		2,291
Share premium account	15		55,564		
Profit and loss account	15		368,131		366,324
Shareholders' funds		- -	537,473		368,615

# Audit exemption statement

For the year ended 31 December 2021 the Company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 479A of the Companies Act 2006 relating to subsidiary companies.

# Directors' responsibilities

- a. The Members have not required the Company to obtain an audit of its accounts in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.
- b. The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.

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

Richard Atkinson

Director

Date: 22 June 2022

The notes on pages 9 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

		Share	Profit and	Shareholders'
	Share capital	premium	loss account	funds
	£000	£000	£000	£000
At 1 January 2021	2,291	_	366,324	368,615
Comprehensive income for the year				
Profit for the year			6,997	6,997
Total comprehensive income for the year	_	_	6,997	6,997
Issue of shares	111,488	55,564		167,052
Dividends		<u></u>	(5,190)	(5,190)
Balance at 31 December 2021	113,779	55,564	368,131	537,474
A4.4 January 0000	Share capital	Share premium	Profit and loss account	Shareholders' funds
At 1 January 2020	229,073	8,411	5,835	243,319
Comprehensive income for the year				
Profit for the year			43,322	43,322
Total comprehensive income for the year		<del></del>	43,322	43,322
Issue of shares		438,123	-	438,123
Capital reduction	(226,782)	(446,534)	673,316	_
Bonus issue of preference shares	~	_	(159,145)	(159,145)
Dividends			(197,004)	(197,004)
Balance at 31 December 2020	2,291			

The notes on pages 9 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

#### 1. General information

Temple Fields 514 Limited ("the Company") is a private company limited by shares incorporated in England and Wales and domiciled in the United Kingdom.

The address of the registered office is:

Yule Catto Building Temple Fields Harlow, Essex United Kingdom CM20 2BH

The principal activities of the Company during the year were that of a holding company.

## 2. Statement of compliance

The Company's financial statements have been prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102. The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ("FRS 102") and the Companies Act 2006 as it applies to the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2021.

#### 3. Significant accounting policies

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

## 3.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention as modified by certain financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value through the profit or loss, where applicable.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the Company and rounded to the nearest £'000.

## Disclosure exemptions

The Company has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemptions under FRS 102:

- the requirements of Section 4 Statement of Financial Position paragraph 4.12(a)(iv);
- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows;
- the requirements of Section 3 Financial Statement Presentation paragraph 3.17(d);
- the requirements of Section 11 Financial Instruments paragraphs 11.41(b), 11.41(c), 11.41(e), 11.41(f), 11.42, 11.44 to 11.45, 11.47, 11.48(a)(iii), 11.48(a)(iv), 11.48(b) and 11.48(c);
- the requirements of Section 12 Other Financial Instruments paragraphs 12.26 to 12.27, 12.29(a), 12.29(b) and 12.29A;
- the requirements of Section 26 Share-based Payment paragraphs 26.18(b), 26.19 to 26.21 and 26.23;
- the requirements of Section 33 Related Party Disclosures paragraph 33.7 and key management personnel compensation in total.

This information is included in the consolidated financial statements of Synthomer plc as at 31 December 2021 and these financial statements may be obtained from the registered office at Harlow, Essex, United Kingdom.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

#### Significant accounting policies (continued)

#### 3.1 Basis of preparation (continued)

#### **Group financial statements**

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Synthomer plc. It is included in the group accounts of Synthomer plc, which are publicly available and drawn up in accordance with UK-adopted international accounting standards. Therefore, the Company is exempt from the requirement to prepare group accounts pursuant to section 400 of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Going concern

The Directors have assessed the ability of the Company to continue as a going concern, considering the principal risks and uncertainties outlined in the Directors' Report, the financial position and the expected timing of the settlement of intercompany balances. The Company is a member of the Synthomer plc Group which is considered to be a going concern. The basis for this, and the related assumptions and risks, are disclosed within the Synthomer plc 2021 Annual Report.

Based upon the above, the Directors believe that the Company can continue to operate for a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements and therefore continue to adopt the going concern basis of preparation.

#### 3.2 Foreign currencies

(i) Functional and presentation currency

The Company's functional and presentation currency is Great British Pounds.

#### (ii) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the spot exchange rates at the dates of the transactions.

At each period end foreign currency monetary items are translated using the closing rate. Non-monetary items measured at historical cost are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction and non-monetary items measured at fair value are measured using the exchange rate when fair value was determined.

Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of transactions and from the translation at period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the profit and loss account.

#### 3.3 Financial instruments

#### (i) Financial assets

Basic financial assets, including trade and other debtors, amounts owed by group undertakings and cash and bank balances are initially recognised at transaction price. Such assets are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Financial assets are derecognised when (a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or (b) substantially all the risks and rewards of the ownership of the asset are transferred to another party or (c) control of the asset has been transferred to another party who has the practical ability to unilaterally sell the asset to an unrelated third party without imposing additional restrictions.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

# 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

#### 3.3 Financial instruments (continued)

#### (ii) Financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other creditors, amounts owed to group undertakings and bank overdrafts are initially recognised at transaction price.

Trade and other creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade payables are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Amount owed to group undertakings which are basic financial instruments are initially recorded at the present value of future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar loan. Subsequently, they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Preference shared issued by the the Company are mandatorily redeemable on a specific date and are classified as liabilities. Dividends on these shares are recognised in the profit and loss account as interest.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the liability is extinguished, that is when the contractual obligation is discharged, cancelled or expires.

#### (ii) Offsetting

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amounts presented in the financial statements when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### (iii) Investments in subsidiaries

Investment in a subsidiary company is held at cost less accumulated impairment losses. Impairment of investments is assessed as described above in note 3.4.

#### 3.4 Impairment of assets

# (i) Financial assets

The Company assesses at each reporting date whether there is any objective evidence that a financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired. A financial asset or a group of financial assets is deemed to be impaired if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that has occurred after the initial recognition of the asset (an incurred 'loss event') and that loss event has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset or the group of financial assets that can be reliably estimated.

#### (ii) Non-financial assets

The Company assesses at each reporting date whether an asset may be impaired. If any such indication exists the Company estimates recoverable amount of the asset. If it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of the individual asset, the Company estimates, the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The recoverable amount of an asset or cash-generating unit is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. If the recoverable amount is less than its carrying amount, carrying amount of the asset is impaired and it is reduced to its recoverable amount through impairment in profit and loss. An impairment loss recognised for all assets, including goodwill, is reversed in a subsequent year if and only if the reasons for the impairment loss have ceased to apply.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

#### 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

#### 3.5 Taxation

Taxation expense for the period comprises current and deferred tax recognised in the reporting period. Tax is recognised in the Profit and Loss Account and Statement of Comprehensive Income.

#### (i) Current tax

Current tax is the amount of income tax payable in respect of the taxable profit for the year or prior years. Tax is calculated on the basis of tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the period end.

#### (ii) Deferred tax

Deferred tax arises from timing differences that are differences between taxable profits and total comprehensive income as stated in the financial statements. These timing differences arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in financial statements.

Deferred tax is recognised on all timing differences at the reporting date except for certain exceptions. Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are only recognised when it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits.

Deferred tax is measured using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the period end and that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

#### 3.6 Dividend and interest income

Dividend income from investments is recognised when the shareholders' rights to receive payment have been established (provided that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Company and the amount of revenue can be measured reliably).

Interest income is recognised when it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Company and the amount of revenue can be measured reliably. Interest income is accrued on a time basis, by reference to the principal outstanding and at the effective interest rate applicable, which is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to that asset's net carrying amount on initial recognition.

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

In the application of the Company's accounting policies, the directors are required to make judgements (other than those involving estimations) that have a significant impact on the amounts recognised and to make estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts 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.

#### 4.1. Critical judgements in applying the Company's accounting policies

The Company has obligations to pay pension benefits to certain employees. The measurement of these obligations are supported by actuaries calculations which incorporate a number of assumptions, a change in any of these assumptions will impact the carrying value of the obligations. Refer to note for the carrying values.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

# 4. Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty (continued)

#### 4.2 Key sources of estimation uncertainty

The key assumptions concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the balance sheet date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year, are discussed below.

#### Current and deferred tax balances

The Company's measurement of tax balances is based on management's interpretations of applicable laws, regulations and relevant court decisions. Refer to notes 8 and 13 for amounts.

#### Investment in subsidiaries

The Company makes annual assessment of the possible impairment of its investments in subsidiary and other undertakings. When assessing impairment of investments in subsidiary and other undertakings, management considers the net asset value of its investments as well as the future projected cash flows from these investments. Refer to note 9 for the carrying values.

#### 5. Employees

The Company had no employees in the current or prior years.

The Directors received no remuneration for their services to the Company in the current or prior years.

# 6. Interest receivable and similar income

	* *		
		2021	2020
		£000	£000
	Foreign exchange gains	9,268	28,298
	Preference share dividend	537	2,731
		9,805	31,029
7.	Interest payable and similar expenses		···
		2021	2020
		£000	£000
	Intercompany interest payable	(7,998)	(6,880)
		(7,998)	(6,880)

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

8.	Tax on profit		
		2021	2020
		£000	£000
	Corporation tax		
	Total current tax	<del>_</del>	
		<del></del>	
	Deferred tax		
	Total deferred tax	<del></del>	
	Taxation on profit		

#### Factors affecting tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the period is lower than (2020: lower than) the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2020: 19%). The differences are explained below:

	2021	2020
	£000	£000
Profit before tax	6,997	43,322
Profit multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2020: 19%)	1,329	8,231
Effects of:		
Income not assessable for tax purposes	(2,818)	(9,447)
Group relief for nil consideration	1,489	1,216
Total tax expense		

# Factors that may affect future tax charges

In the Spring Budget 2021, the UK Government announced that from 1 April 2023 the corporation tax rate would increase to 25% (rather than remaining at 19%, as previously enacted). This new law was substantively enacted on 24 May 2021. Deferred taxes at the balance sheet date have been measured using these enacted tax rates and reflected in these financial statements.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

# 9. Investment in subsidiaries

	Investments in subsidiary undertakings
	£000
Cost or valuation	
At 1 January 2021	653,243
Additions in the year	55,564
At 31 December 2021	708,807
Net book value	
At 31 December 2021	708,807
At 31 December 2020	<u>653,243</u>

During the year, the Company increased its investment in Yule Catto Inc by £55,564,000.

# Subsidiary undertakings

Details of the investments in which the Company holds any class of share capital at the balance sheet date is as follows:

Country of incorporation and name Brazil	Registered address	Principal activity	Interest
Synthomer Participacoes Ltda	Av. Casa Verde, 3100, Sala 1, Casa Verde, Sao Paulo, 02520-300	Trading	100%
China			
OMNOVA Performance Chemicals Trading (Shanghai) Co Ltd	8 Hau Jing Road, China (Shanghai) Pilot Free Trade Zone, Shanghai, 200131	Trading	100%
OMNOVA Shanghai Co Ltd	210 Zhou Gong Road, Shanghai Chemical Industry Park, Shanghai, 201507	Trading	100%
OMNOVA Ningbo Co Ltd	308 Jiangbin Road, Xiaogang United Development Zone, Ningbo Economic & Technical Development Zone, Ningbo, 315803	Trading	100%
Eliokem Trading (Shanghai) Co Ltd	55 Xi Li Road, China (Shanghai) Pilot Free Trade Zone, Shanghai, 200131	Trading	100%
France			
OMNOVA Solutions France Holding SAS	14 avenue des Tropiques, Z.A.	Non-trading	100%
OMNOVA Solutions International SAS	de Courtaboeuf 2, Villejust,	Non-trading	100%
OMNOVA Solutions SAS	91955	Trading	100%
India			
OMNOVA India Trading LLP	1001, Meadows, Sahar Plaza, Andheri-Kurla Road, Andheri East, Mumbai, 400059	Trading	100%

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

Country of incorporation and name Mauritius	Registered address	Principal activity	Interest
OMNOVA Asia Pacific Corp	c/o Citco (Mauritius) Limited, Tower A, 1 Cybercity, Eben	Non-trading	100%
OMNOVA Holding Limited	Standard Chartered Tower, 19 Cybercity, Ebene	Non-trading	100%
Portugal			
OMNOVA Solutions Portugal SA	Rua Francisco Lyon de Castro, 28, 2725-397 Mem	Trading	100%
Lyon28 - Imobiliario SA	Martins	Non-trading	100%
Sinapore			
OMNOVA Performance Chemicals Singapore Pte Ltd	Ocean Financial Centre, 10 Collyer Quay, 049315	Trading	100%
Spain			
OMNOVA Solutions (Espana) SL	Paseo de la Castellana 177, Madrid, 28046	Non-trading	100%
Thailand			
OMNOVA Engineered Surfaces (Thailand) Co Ltd	111/7 Moo 2, Nikompattana District, Rayong, 21180	Trading	100%
United States of America			
Synthomer LLC	1201 Peachtree Street NE.	Trading	100%
Yule Catto Inc*	Atlanta, GA, 30361	Non-trading	100%
Synthomer USA LLC	160 Greentree Drive, Suite 101, Dover, DE, 19904	Trading	100%
Decorative Products Thailand Inc		Non-trading	100%
OMNOVA Overseas Inc	25435 Harvard Road,	Non-trading	100%
OMNOVA Solutions Inc	Beachwood, Ohio, 44122-6201	Trading	100%
OMNOVA Wallcovering (USA) Inc	44122-0201	Non-trading	100%
United Kingdom			
Temple Fields 530 Limited*	- La	Non-trading	100%
OMNOVA Performance Chemicals Limited	Central Road, Harlow, Essex, CM20 2BH	Non-trading	100%
OMNOVA UK Holding Limited		Non-trading	100%
* Direct subsidiaries.			

# 10. Debtors

	2021	2020
	£000	£000
Due within one year		
Amounts owed by group undertakings	24,167	24,375
	24,167	24,375

Amounts owed by group undertakings are unsecured, interest free, have no fixed date of repayment and are repayable on demand.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

11.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	<del></del>	
	ordinoro, amounto falling due widin, one your	2021	2020
		€000	£000
	Amounts owed to group undertakings	(10,521)	(6,708)
		(10.521)	(6,708)

Amounts owed to group undertakings are unsecured, interest free, have no fixed date of repayment and are repayable on demand.

#### 12. Credilors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2021	2020
	£000	£000
Amounts owed to group undertakings	(43,165)	(154,652)
Bank loans and overdrafts	(147,145)	(156,460)
	(190,310)	(311,112)

Amounts owed to group undertakings are a term loan repayable on 31 March 2025, with interest due quarterly.

Preference shares with a nominal value of €175m are owned by the Company's parent, Synthomer plc. These carry an entitlement to a dividend at the annual rate of 3.875% of the par value per preference share payable bi-annually on 1 January and 1 July. The Company and the holder are free to redeem the preference shares at any time.

#### 13. Deferred tax assets

An analysis of deferred tax balances is as follows:

	2021	2020
	£000	£000
Unrecognised deferred tax assets in respect of:		
Other timing differences	351	
	351	

The Directors have not recognised the above deferred tax balances on the basis it is unlikely there will be sufficient future taxable profits for which these amounts can be utilised.

# 14. Share capital

	2021	2020
	£000	£000
Shares classified as equity		
11,377,848,685 (2020: 229,073,185) Ordinary share of £0.01 each	113,778	2,291

There is a single class of ordinary share and there are no restrictions on the distribution of dividends and the repayment of capital. The Company has preference shares which are considered debt and these are disclosed in note 12.

During the year the Company issued 11,148,775,500 to the Parent company.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

#### 15. Reserves

#### Profit and loss account

Profit and loss account of £368,131,000 (2020: £366,324,000) represents cumulative profits or losses, net of dividends paid and other adjustments.

#### Share premium account

Share premium account of £55,564,000 (2020: £nil) represents the excess value subscribed to share capital above the nominal value of shares.

#### 16. Related party transactions

As the company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Synthomer plc, the Directors have decided to apply the available exemption from FRS 102, paragraph 33.1A, to not disclose transactions with wholly owned members of the Synthomer plc Group.

There were no transactions with related parties that are not wholly owned members of the Synthomer plc Group.

Synthomer plc has provided a statutory guarantee against any and all outstanding liabilities of the Company as at the balance sheet date.

#### 17. Subsequent events

On 17 December 2021, the shareholders of Synthomer plc approved a proposed acquisition of Eastman Chemical Company's Adhesive Resins business for US\$1 billion. The acquisition was completed on 1 April 2022 and components of the business were acquired by subsidiaries of the Company.

Aside from the above, there have been no significant events affecting the Company since the year end.

#### 18. Ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party

The immediate and ultimate parent undertaking for which group financial statements are prepared and of which the Company is a member is Synthomer plc, United Kingdom.

The smallest and largest group to consolidate these financial statements is Synthomer plc. Copies of the Synthomer plc financial statements are available from Central Road, Temple Fields, Harlow, Essex, CM20 2BH.