Registration number: 04713745

Centrica Distributed Generation Limited

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 December 2019



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Strategic Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2019

The Directors present their Strategic Report for Centrica Distributed Generation Limited (the 'Company') for the year ended 31 December 2019.

Principal activity

The Company operates two 49MW gas reciprocating energy reserve facilities at Scawby Brook, Brigg, and Forth Drove, Peterborough. They both became operational in October 2018. The Company was successful in securing Capacity Market (CM) contracts for T-1 (2019/20) delivery period with associated revenue starting from October 2019.

Review of the business

The new generation assets are underpinned by 15-year capacity market contracts commencing from October 2020. In addition, the Company was successful in obtaining capacity market agreements for the 2018/19 year with associated revenues commencing from October 2018.

In June 2020, the Company recorded an impairment of £9,000,000 as the value of the assets had deteriorated since 31 December 2019. This was identified during an updated impairment testing and was due to lower expected economic returns. This has been treated as a non adjusting post balance sheet event.

UK Capacity Market

The UK capacity market for power was designed to encourage investment in reliable capacity to secure future supplies of electricity for the UK. To achieve this, it offered fixed monthly payments to generators who had won capacity market contracts in the auctions, funded by energy suppliers (in proportion to their share of the UK electricity supply market). On 15 November 2018, the European Court of Justice annulled the European Commission's decision not to raise objections to the state aid scheme establishing a capacity market in the UK. This had the effect of placing the UK capacity market in standstill from the start of the capacity year commencing 1 October 2018. No payments, either to generators or from suppliers, were made under the scheme until a new approval is received from the European Commission confirming that the scheme did not breach state aid regulations. On 24 October 2019 the European Commission announced that it had re-instated the UK Capacity Market, both retrospectively and prospectively. The Company did not recognise any capacity market generator revenue for the period October - December 2018 because these receipts cannot be deemed virtually certain at the 31 December 2018 Balance Sheet date. Any receipts received for this period once the market was reinstated have been recognised in the income statement in 2019.

The Company's Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101: Reduced Disclosures Framework ('FRS 101').

Principal risks and uncertainties

From the perspective of the Company, the principal risks and uncertainties are integrated with those of the Centrica plc group (the 'Group') and are not managed separately. The principal risks and uncertainties of the Group, which include those of the Company, are disclosed on pages 34-43 of the Group's Annual Report and Accounts 2019, which does not form part of this report.

Exit from the European Union

The UK's exit from the European Union has added to the risks and uncertainties faced by the Company. However, it is considered that the direct impact of these uncertainties on the Company is limited in the short-term. It is unclear whether a trade deal will be agreed with the European Union during 2020 or the transition period will end without terms being agreed. Extricating from the European Union treaties is a task of immense complexity but the Company is well-positioned to manage the possible market impacts. There are also potential tax consequences of the withdrawal and these will continue to be reassessed at each reporting date to ensure the tax provisions reflect the most likely outcome following the withdrawal.

Strategic Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2019 (continued)

Impact of severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) outbreak and coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic

On 11 March 2020 the World Health Organisation declared the SARS-CoV-2 outbreak and resultant COVID-19 to be a global pandemic. Following United Kingdom government measures in response to the pandemic the Centrica plc group ("Group") became subject to a significant change in business environment, as well as implementing a number of significant operational changes in order to be able to continue to serve and support our customers. However, there are no significant changes in the business environment or operational changes specific to the Company in carrying out its principal activities, principally as the Company will continue to generate power for sale to National Grid.

The events described above arose after the Company's balance sheet date, and therefore there is no impact on the results or financial position of the Company as at 31 December 2019. The Company is supported by the Group, which has stated that it intends to support the Company for a period of at least 12 months from the date the financial statements were authorised for issue and that amounts owed to Group undertakings will not be required to be repaid to Centrica plc for the foreseeable future unless sufficient financial resources and facilities are available to the Company. The Directors are aware that there are a range of future potential financial impacts upon the Group as a result of the pandemic but, following assurances from the ultimate parent company underpinned by its detailed assessment, have satisfied themselves that the Group will be able to support the Company if required under all reasonably foreseeable circumstances. For more information refer to the Going Concern section of the Directors' Report on page 4.

Key performance indicators ('KPIs')

The Directors of the Group use a number of KPIs to monitor progress against the Group's strategy. The development, performance and position of the Group, which includes the Company, are disclosed on pages 18-19 of the Group's Annual Report and Accounts 2019, which does not form part of this report. The results of the Company are disclosed in the Directors' Report on page 4.

Future developments

On 11 June 2020, Centrica announced plans for a significant restructure designed to create a simpler, leaner group focused on improved service delivery for customers. The revised operating model is expected to accelerate the delivery of targeted cost savings and lead to a reduction of around 5,000 roles across the Group. The majority of the restructuring is expected to take place in the second half of 2020 after necessary consultations on the proposals have been concluded. The restructure will benefit the longer term value of the business, future operating profits and maintenance of a strong capital position of the Group. The Company would not expect to be materially impacted by the restructure but due to uncertainties arising from the consultation process it is not possible to quantify the effect at this time.

Strategic Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2019 (continued)

Approved by the Board on 96/11/2020 and signed on its behalf by:

Samantha Hood

By order of the Board for and on behalf of Centrica Secretaries Limited Company Secretary

Company registered in England and Wales, No. 04713745

Registered office: Millstream Maidenhead Road Windsor Berkshire SL4 5GD United Kingdom

Directors' Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2019

The Directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019.

Directors of the Company

The Directors of the Company, who were in office during the year and up to the date of signing the financial statements were as follows:

Richard McCord (resigned 6 November 2019)

Mark Futyan (resigned 9 December 2019)

Alan Barlow (appointed 9 December 2019)

Michael Dennis (appointed 6 November 2019)

Results and dividends

The results of the Company are set out on page 10. The profit for the financial year ended 31 December 2019 is £2,000 (2018: loss of £263,000).

The Company did not pay an interim dividend during the year (2018: £nil) and the Directors do not recommend the payment of a final dividend (2018: £nil).

Objectives and policies

The Directors have established objectives and policies for managing financial risks to enable the Company to achieve its long-term shareholder value growth targets within a prudent risk management framework. These objectives and policies are regularly reviewed.

Exposure in terms of price risk, credit risk, liquidity risk and cash flow risk

Exposure to counterparty credit risk, liquidity risk and cash flow risk arises in the normal course of the Company's business. Cash forecasts identifying the liquidity requirements of the Company are produced frequently and reviewed regularly. Liquidity risk is managed through funding arrangements with Group undertakings.

Future developments

Future developments are discussed in the Strategic Report on page 2.

Directors' Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2019 (continued)

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as Centrica plc, the ultimate parent company, currently intends to support the Company to ensure it can meet its obligations as they fall due, provided the Company remains a member of the Group. The Directors have received confirmation that Centrica plc intends to support the Company for at least one year after the financial statements were authorised for issue and that amounts owed to Group undertakings will not be required to be repaid to Centrica plc for the foreseeable future unless sufficient financial resources and facilities are available to the Company. The Directors are aware that while there are a range of future potential financial impacts upon the Group as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, they have satisfied themselves that, following assurances from the ultimate parent company underpinned by its detailed assessment, the Group will be able to support the Company if required under all reasonably foreseeable circumstances. The key financial impacts to the Group are expected to be increasing levels of bad debt, reduced energy consumption from business customers, and the lockdown restricting the ability to carry out non-essential work in customer's homes and premises. The Group has substantial liquidity available to mitigate these adverse impacts and has also taken quick action to preserve cash as announced in the trading statement on 2 April 2020. The trading statement announced that the final 2019 dividend was cancelled, plans have been made to reduce cash expenditure by around £400m and management bonus payments have been paused. In July 2020 it was decided that management bonus payments would be cancelled. The Group going concern assessment included various sensitivities including the impacts of lower commodity pricing and a credit rating downgrade as well as mitigating actions such as reduction in capital expenditure and dividend reductions. The Centrica plc Board remains committed to maintaining a strong balance sheet. Moody's confirmed a Baa2 (negative) credit rating on 28 July and S&P confirmed a BBB (negative) credit rating on 30 July.

Non adjusting events after the financial period

Subsequent to the balance sheet date, on 11 March 2020 the World Health Organisation declared the SARS-CoV-2 outbreak and resultant COVID-19 to be a global pandemic. The UK government moved to a 'delay' phase on 12 March, announced social distancing measures on 16 March, and unprecedented 'stay at home' restrictions on 23 March. The Company has therefore concluded that the necessity for large scale Government interventions in response to COVID-19 only became apparent after the balance sheet date and therefore the consequences of such interventions represent non-adjusting post balance sheet events. The Company has no critical judgements or key sources of estimation uncertainty at the balance sheet date which could have been subsequently affected by these events.

In June 2020, the Company recorded an impairment of £9,000,000 as the value of the assets had deteriorated since 31 December 2019. This was identified during updated impairment testing and was due to lower expected economic returns. This has been treated as a non adjusting post balance sheet event.

Directors' and officers' liability

Directors' and officers' liability insurance has been purchased by the ultimate parent company, Centrica plc, and was in place throughout the year. The insurance does not provide cover in the event that the Director is proved to have acted fraudulently.

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable UK 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), including FRS 101 'Reduced Disclosure Framework' ('FRS 101'). 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:

Directors' Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2019 (continued)

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- · make judgements 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; and
- 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.

Disclosure of information to auditors

Each of the Directors who held office at the date of approval of this Directors' Report confirm that so far as they are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and that they have taken all steps that they ought to have taken as Directors to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information. This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of section 418 of the Companies Act 2006.

Anditors

In accordance with Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditors will be deemed to be reappointed and Deloitte LLP will therefore continue in office.

Approved by the Board on 06/11/2020 and signed on its behalf by:

Samantha Hood

By order of the Board for and on behalf of Centrica Secretaries Limited

Company Secretary

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Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of Centrica Distributed Generation Limited

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements of Centrica Distributed Generation Limited (the 'Company'):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 December 2019 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice including Financial Reporting Standard 101 'Reduced Disclosure Framework'; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the financial statements which comprise:

- · the Income Statement;
- the Statement of Comprehensive Income;
- the Statement of Financial Position;
- · the Statement of Changes in Equity; and
- the related notes 1 to 20.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 101 'Reduced Disclosure Framework' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report.

We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the Financial Reporting Council's (the 'FRC's') Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We are required by ISAs (UK) to report in respect of the following matters where:

- the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the Directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of Centrica Distributed Generation Limited (continued)

Other information

The Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

Responsibilities of Directors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the FRC's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- 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; and
- the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the Company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified any material misstatements in the Strategic Report or the Directors' Report.

Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of Centrica Distributed Generation Limited (continued)

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report in respect of the following matters 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.

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

D. Winstone

Daryl Winstone (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of Deloitte LLP
Statutory Auditor
London
United Kingdom

Date: 6 11 20

Income Statement for the Year Ended 31 December 2019

	Note	2019 £ 000	2018 £ 000
Revenue	4	10,339	2,360
Cost of sales	5 ,	(9,267)	(2,987)
Gross profit/(loss)		1,072	(627)
Operating costs	5	(1,191)	(751)
Operating loss		(119)	(1,378)
Finance income	7	-	1,311
Finance costs	7	(332)	(8)
Loss before taxation		(451)	(75)
Taxation	10	453	(188)
Profit/(loss) for the year from continuing operations		2	(263)

The above results were derived from continuing operations.

Statement of Comprehensive Income for the Year Ended 31 December 2019

	2019 £ 000	2018 £ 000
Profit/(loss) for the year	2	(263)
Items that will be or have been reclassified to the Income Statement Gain/(loss) on cash flow hedges (net) Taxation on cash flow hedges	(49) 9	(202) 123
	(40)	(79)
Other comprehensive income	(40)	(79)
Total comprehensive expense for the year	(38)	(342)

Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2019

	Note	2019 £ 000	2018 £ 000
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	11 _	56,821	59,031
	_	56,821	59,031
Current assets			
Trade and other receivables	12	2,480	1,885
Inventories	13	69	43
Derivative financial instruments	18 _		_
	_	2,551	1,928
Total assets	_	59,372	60,959
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	14	(25,743)	(29,080)
Derivative financial instruments	18 _		(7)
		(25,743)	(29,087)
Net current liabilities	_	(23,192)	(27,159)
Total assets less current liabilities		33,629	31,872
Non-current liabilities			
Deferred tax liabilities	10	(3,089)	(2,724)
Provisions for other liabilities and charges	15 _	(3,501)	(2,060)
	_	(6,590)	(4,784)
Net assets	_	27,039	27,088
Equity			
Share capital	16	-	-
Share premium		1,569	1,569
Retained earnings		25,522	25,520
Cash flow hedging reserve		(62)	(1)
Other equity	16 _	10	-
Total equity	==	27,039	27,088

The financial statement on pages 10 to 30 were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 06/11/2020 and signed on its behalf by:

Michael Dennis

Director

Company number 04713745

The notes on pages 14 to 30 form an integral part of these financial statements. Page 12

Statement of Changes in Equity for the Year Ended 31 December 2019

	Share capital £ 000	Share premium £ 000	Cash flow hedge reserve £ 000	Other equity £ 000	Retained earnings £ 000	Total equity £ 000
At 1 January 2019	-	1,569	(1)	-	25,520	27,088
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	2	2
Other comprehensive income		-	(40)		<u> </u>	(40)
Total comprehensive income	-	-	(40)	-	2	(38)
Sharesave provision		-	-	10	-	10
Transfers to assets and liabilities from cash flow hedge reserve	<u> </u>		(21)	-		(21)
At 31 December 2019		1,569	(62)	10	25,522	27,039

	Share capital £ 000	Share premium £ 000	Retained earnings £ 000	Cash flow hedge reserve £ 000	Total equity £ 000
At 1 January 2018	-	1,569	25,783	588	27,940
Loss for the year	-	-	(263)	-	(263)
Other comprehensive income				(79)	(79)
Total comprehensive income	-	-	(263)	(79)	(342)
Transfers to assets and liabilities from cash flow hedge reserve				(510)	(510)
At 31 December 2018		1,569	25,520	(1)	27,088

The notes on pages 14 to 30 form an integral part of these financial statements. Page 13

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2019

1 General information

Centrica Distributed Generation Limited (the 'Company') is a private company limited by shares, incorporated and domiciled in the United Kingdom and registered in England and Wales.

The address of its registered office and principal place of business is:

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Maidenhead Road

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The nature of the Company's operations and its principal activities are set out in the Strategic Report on pages 1 to 3.

2 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The Company financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework ('FRS 101'). In preparing these financial statements the Company applies the recognition, measurement and disclosure requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU ('Adopted IFRSs'), but makes amendments where necessary in order to comply with Companies Act 2006 and has set out below where advantage of the FRS 101 disclosure exemptions has been taken.

Changes in accounting policy

From 1 January 2019, the following standards and amendments are effective in the Company's Financial Statements:

· IFRS 16: 'Leases'

The impact of adoption of IFRS 16 and the key changes to the accounting policy are disclosed below.

Changes resulting from adoption of IFRS 16

IFRS 16: 'Leases'

The Company adopted IFRS 16: 'Leases' from 1 January 2019. The first-time adoption did not have any impact on the financial statements as the Company has no leases which fall under the scope of IFRS 16. The land is owned by the Company.

Summary of disclosure exemptions

In these financial statements, as a qualifying entity the Company has applied the exemptions available under FRS 101 in respect of the following disclosures:

- the requirements of IAS 7 'Statement of Cash Flows';
- · the statement of compliance with Adopted IFRSs;
- · the effects of new but not yet effective IFRSs;
- · prior year reconciliations for property, plant and equipment and intangible assets;
- the prior year reconciliations in the number of shares outstanding at the beginning and at the end of the year for share capital;

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2019 (continued)

2 Accounting policies (continued)

- disclosures in respect of related party transactions with wholly-owned subsidiaries in a group;
- · disclosures in respect of the compensation of key management personnel; and
- · disclosures in respect of capital management.

As the consolidated financial statements of the Centrica plc group (the 'Group'), which are available from its registered office, include the equivalent disclosures, the Company has also taken the exemptions under FRS 101 available in respect of the following disclosures:

- certain disclosures required by IAS 36 'Impairment of Assets' in respect of the impairment of goodwill and indefinite life intangible assets;
- certain disclosures required by IFRS 13 'Fair Value Measurement' and the disclosures required by IFRS 7
 'Financial Instruments: Disclosures' have not been provided apart from those which are relevant for the
 financial instruments which are held at fair value;
- certain disclosures required by IFRS 3 'Business Combinations' in respect of business combinations undertaken by the Company; and
- disclosures of the net cash flows attributable to the operating, investing and financing activities of discontinued operations.

Measurement convention

The financial statements are prepared on the historical cost basis except for derivative financial instruments and financial instruments designated at fair value through profit and loss on initial recognition. The carrying value of recognised assets and liabilities that are hedged items in fair value hedges, and are otherwise carried at cost, are adjusted to record changes in the fair values attributable to the risks that are being hedged.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as Centrica plc, the ultimate parent company, currently intends to support the Company to ensure it can meet its obligations as they fall due, provided the Company remains a member of the Group. The Directors have received confirmation that Centrica plc intends to support the Company for at least one year after the financial statements were authorised for issue and that amounts owed to Group undertakings will not be required to be repaid to Centrica plc for the foreseeable future unless sufficient financial resources and facilities are available to the Company. The Directors are aware that while there are a range of future potential financial impacts upon the Group as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, they have satisfied themselves that, following assurances from the ultimate parent company underpinned by its detailed assessment, the Group will be able to support the Company if required under all reasonably foreseeable circumstances. The key financial impacts to the Group are expected to be increasing levels of bad debt, reduced energy consumption from business customers, and the lockdown restricting the ability to carry out non-essential work in customer's homes and premises. The Group has substantial liquidity available to mitigate these adverse impacts and has also taken quick action to preserve cash as announced in the trading statement on 2 April 2020. The trading statement announced that the final 2019 dividend was cancelled, plans have been made to reduce cash expenditure by around £400m and management bonus payments have been paused. In July 2020 it was decided that management bonus payments would be cancelled. The Group going concern assessment included various sensitivities including the impacts of lower commodity pricing and a credit rating downgrade as well as mitigating actions such as reduction in capital expenditure and dividend reductions. The Centrica plc Board remains committed to maintaining a strong balance sheet. Moody's confirmed a Baa2 (negative) credit rating on 28 July and S&P confirmed a BBB (negative) credit rating on 30 July.

Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

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

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2019 (continued)

2 Accounting policies (continued)

Revenue recognition

The Company adopted IFRS 15: 'Revenue from contracts with customers' from 1 January 2018. The primary impact of application is the revision of accounting policies to reflect the five-step approach to revenue recognition required by IFRS 15. With the exception of Loadbook contract income, all revenue for the Company has been assessed to be within the scope of IFRS 15 and this resulted in no changes to amounts previously recognised in the financial statements. Loadbook contract income is recognised under IFRS 9 'Financial Instruments'.

Revenue comprises the amount of consideration received or receivable for the sale of goods and provision of services in the ordinary course of the Company's activities. It is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the Company will be able to collect consideration it will be entitled to in exchange for goods and/or services. Revenue is recognised over time as the Company generates electricity and is measured on the basis of power supplied during the period.

Revenue is recognised on an accruals basis and is shown net of sales/value added tax, returns, rebates and discounts.

Finance income

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 value.

Cost of Sales

Cost of sales within power generation businesses includes the depreciation of assets included in generating power, fuel purchase costs, direct labour costs and carbon emissions costs.

Overhaul costs

Contract work involved in replacing gas turbine components is capitalised and depreciated over their expected economic life, typically over the period to the next overhaul. Repairs and other costs that are not of a capital nature are charged directly to the income statement as incurred.

Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are, on initial recognition, recorded in the functional currency of the Company at the exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated into the functional currency of the Company at the rates prevailing at the reporting date, and associated gains and losses are recognised in the Income Statement for the year, except when deferred in other comprehensive income as qualifying cash flow hedges and qualifying net investment hedges. Foreign exchange gains and losses that relate to borrowings and cash and cash equivalents are presented in the Income Statement within 'finance income' or 'finance costs'. All other foreign exchange gains and losses are presented in the Income Statement in the respective financial line item to which they relate.

Changes in the fair value of foreign currency denominated monetary securities classified as available for sale are analysed between translation differences resulting from changes in the amortised cost of the security and other changes in the carrying amount of the security. Translation differences related to changes in amortised cost are recognised in profit or loss, and other changes in carrying amount are recognised in other comprehensive income.

Non-monetary items that are measured at historical cost in a currency other than the functional currency of the Company are translated using the exchange rate prevailing at the dates of the initial transaction and are not retranslated. Non-monetary items measured at fair value in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at the date when the fair value was measured.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2019 (continued)

2 Accounting policies (continued)

Taxation

Current tax, including UK corporation tax, is provided at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date. Tax is recognised in the Income Statement, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in equity. In this case, the tax is recognised in equity.

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all temporary differences identified at the reporting date, except to the extent that the deferred tax arises from the initial recognition of goodwill (if impairment of goodwill is not deductible for tax purposes) or the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction which is not a business combination and at the time of the transaction affects neither accounting profit nor taxable profit and loss. Temporary differences are differences between the carrying amount of the Company's assets and liabilities and their tax base.

Deferred tax is provided on temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates, except where the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference can be controlled and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that the deductible temporary differences will reverse in the future and there is sufficient taxable profit available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realisation or settlement using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date.

Property, plant and equipment ('PP&E')

PP&E is included in the Statement of Financial Position at cost, less accumulated depreciation and any provisions for impairment. The initial cost of an asset comprises its purchase price or construction cost and any costs directly attributable to bringing the asset into operation. The purchase price or construction cost is the aggregate amount paid and the fair value of any other consideration given to acquire the asset.

Subsequent expenditure in respect of items of PP&E, such as the replacement of major parts, major inspections or overhauls, are capitalised as part of the cost of the related asset where it is probable that future economic benefits will arise as a result of the expenditure and the cost can be reliably measured. All other subsequent expenditure, including the costs of day-to-day servicing, repairs and maintenance, is expensed as incurred.

Freehold land is not depreciated. Other PP&E, with the exception of upstream production assets (for which the 'unit of production method' is used), are depreciated on a straight-line basis at rates sufficient to write off the cost, less estimated residual values, of individual assets over their estimated useful lives.

Depreciation of PPE

The depreciation periods for the principal categories of assets are as follows:

Asset	class
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Decommissioning asset Power generation assets Buildings

Depreciation method and rate

Straight line, up to 25 years Straight line, up to 25 years Straight line, up to 25 years

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2019 (continued)

2 Accounting policies (continued)

The carrying values of PP&E are tested annually for impairment and are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable. Residual values and useful lives are reassessed annually and if necessary changes are accounted for prospectively.

Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost incurred in bringing each item to its present location and condition and net realisable value. Provision is made where necessary for obsolete, slow-moving and defective inventories. Cost is determined on an average cost basis.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Company has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, that can be measured reliably, and it is probable that the Company will be required to settle that obligation. Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the obligation at the reporting date, and are discounted to present value where the effect is material. Where discounting is used, the increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognised in the Income Statement within interest expense.

Decommissioning costs

Provision is made for the net present value of the estimated cost of decommissioning power stations at the end of their useful lives, based on price levels and technology at the reporting date.

When this provision relates to an asset with sufficient future economic benefits, a decommissioning asset is recognised and included as part of the associated PP&E and depreciated accordingly. Changes in these estimates and changes to the discount rates are dealt with prospectively and reflected as an adjustment to the provision and corresponding decommissioning asset included within PP&E. The unwinding of the discount on the provision is included in the Income Statement within interest expense.

Impairment

The carrying amounts of the Company's non-financial assets, other than investment property, inventories and deferred tax assets, are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. For goodwill, and intangible assets that have indefinite useful lives or that are not yet available for use, the recoverable amount is estimated each year at the same time.

The recoverable amount of an asset or cash-generating unit ('CGU') is the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs of disposal. 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 the purpose of impairment testing, assets that cannot be tested individually are grouped together into the smallest group of assets that generates cash inflows from continuing use that are largely independent of the cash inflows of other assets or groups of assets (the CGU). The goodwill acquired in a business combination, for the purpose of impairment testing, is allocated to CGUs.

An impairment loss is recognised if the carrying amount of an asset or its CGU exceeds its estimated recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss. An impairment loss in respect of goodwill shall not be reversed in a subsequent period. In respect of other assets, impairment losses recognised in prior periods are assessed at each reporting date for any indications that the loss has decreased or no longer exists. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount.

The Company provides for impairments of financial assets when there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of events that impact the estimated future cash flows of the financial assets.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2019 (continued)

2 Accounting policies (continued)

Financial assets and liabilities

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised in the Company's Statement of Financial Position when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets are de-recognised when the Company no longer has the rights to cash flows, the risks and rewards of ownership or control of the asset. Financial liabilities are de-recognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged, cancelled or expires.

- Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables are initially recognised at fair value, which is usually the original invoice amount, and are subsequently held at amortised cost using the effective interest method less an allowance for expected credit losses. Balances are written off when recoverability is assessed as being remote. If collection is due in one year or less, receivables are classified as current assets. If not they are presented as non-current assets.

- Trade and other payables

Trade payables are initially recognised at fair value, which is usually the original invoice amount and are subsequently held at amortised cost using the effective interest method (although, in practice, the discount is often immaterial). If payment is due within one year or less, payables are classified as current liabilities. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

- Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Equity instruments are measured at the fair value of the cash or other resources received or receivable. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares are shown in equity as a deduction from the proceeds received. Own equity instruments that are re-acquired (treasury or own shares) are deducted from equity. No gain or loss is recognised in the Company's Income Statement on the purchase, sale, issue or cancellation of the Company's own equity instruments.

- Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash in hand and current balances with banks and similar institutions, which are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to insignificant risk of changes in value and have an original maturity of three months or less.

- Loans and other borrowings

All interest-bearing and interest-free loans and other borrowings are initially recognised at fair value net of directly attributable transaction costs. After initial recognition, these financial instruments are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, except when they are the hedged item in an effective fair value hedge relationship where the carrying value is also adjusted to reflect the fair value movements associated with the hedged risks. Such fair value movements are recognised in the Company's Income Statement. Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any issue costs, discount or premium, when applicable.

Derivative financial instruments

The Company uses a range of derivatives to hedge exposures to foreign exchange risks, arising in the normal course of business. The use of derivative financial instruments is governed by the Group's policies. Further detail on the Group's risk management policies is included within the Annual Report and Accounts 2019 of the ultimate controlling party being Centrica plc.

The accounting treatment for derivatives is dependent on whether they are entered into for trading or hedging purposes. A derivative instrument is considered to be used for hedging purposes when it alters the risk profile of an underlying exposure of the Company in line with the Company's risk management policies and is in accordance with established guidelines, which require the hedging relationship to be documented at its inception, ensure that the derivative is highly effective in achieving its objective, and require that its effectiveness can be reliably measured.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2019 (continued)

2 Accounting policies (continued)

All derivatives are recognised at fair value on the date on which the derivative is entered into and are re-measured to fair value at each reporting date. Derivatives are carried as assets when the fair value is positive and as liabilities when the fair value is negative. Derivative assets and derivative liabilities are offset and presented on a net basis only when both a legal right of set-off exists and the intention to net settle the derivative contracts is present.

Derivatives are classified as current and non-current assets or liabilities. The full fair value of a hedging derivative is classified as a non-current asset or liability if the remaining maturity of the hedged item is more than 12 months and, as a current asset or liability, if the maturity of the hedged item is less than 12 months.

Embedded derivatives: derivatives embedded in other financial instruments or other host contracts are treated as separate derivatives when their risks and characteristics are not closely related to those of the host contracts and the host contracts are not carried at fair value, with gains or losses reported in the Income Statement. The closely-related nature of embedded derivatives is reassessed when there is a change in the terms of the contract which significantly modifies the future cash flows under the contract. Where a contract contains one or more embedded derivatives, and providing that the embedded derivative significantly modifies the cash flows under the contract, the option to fair value the entire contract may be taken and the contract will be recognised at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in the Income Statement.

Hedge accounting

For the purposes of hedge accounting, hedges are classified as either fair value hedges or cash flow hedges.

Fair value hedges

Where a derivative financial instrument is designated as a hedge of the variability in fair value of a recognised asset or liability or an unrecognised firm commitment, all changes in the fair value of the derivative are recognised immediately in the Income Statement. The carrying value of the hedged item is adjusted by the change in fair value that is attributable to the risk being hedged and any gains or losses on re-measurement are recognised immediately in the Income Statement. On the discontinuance of hedge accounting, any adjustment made to the carrying amount of the hedged item as a consequence of the fair value hedge relationship, is recognised in the Income Statement over the remaining life of the hedged item.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2019 (continued)

2 Accounting policies (continued)

Cash flow hedges

Where a derivative financial instrument is designated as a hedge of the variability in cash flows of a recognised asset or liability, or a highly probable forecast transaction, the effective part of any gain or loss on the derivative financial instrument is recognised directly in the hedging reserve. Any ineffective portion of the hedge is recognised immediately in the Income Statement.

When the forecast transaction subsequently results in the recognition of a non-financial asset or non-financial liability, the associated cumulative gain or loss is removed from the hedging reserve and is included in the initial carrying amount of the non-financial asset or liability. If a hedge of a forecast transaction subsequently results in the recognition of a financial asset or a financial liability, the associated gains and losses that were recognised directly in equity are reclassified into the Income Statement in the same period or periods during which the asset acquired or liability assumed affects profit or loss e.g. when interest income or expense is recognised.

For cash flow hedges, other than those covered above, the associated cumulative gain or loss is removed from equity and recognised in the Income Statement in the same period or periods during which the hedged forecast transaction affects profit or loss.

When a hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated or exercised, or the entity revokes designation of the hedge relationship but the hedged forecast transaction is still expected to occur, the cumulative gain or loss at that point remains in equity and is recognised in accordance with the above policy when the transaction occurs. If the hedged transaction is no longer expected to take place, the cumulative unrealised gain or loss recognised in equity is recognised in the Income Statement immediately.

3 Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the Company's accounting policies, which are described in note 2, the Directors are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and the associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates. In the Directors' opinion there are no critical judgements, apart from those involving estimations (which are dealt with separately below).

Key sources of estimation uncertainty

The key assumptions concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting 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.

Decommissioning costs

The estimated cost of decommissioning of power stations is reviewed periodically and is based on price levels and technology at the reporting date. Provision is made for the estimated cost of decommissioning at the reporting date. The payment dates of total expected future decommissioning costs are uncertain and dependent on the lives of the facilities. Details regarding the decommissioning provision can be found in note 17.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2019 (continued)

3 Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty (continued)

Impairment of long lived assets

The Company has material long-lived assets that are assessed or tested for indicators of impairment at each reporting date in accordance with the Company's accounting policy as disclosed in note 2. The Company makes judgements and estimates in considering whether the carrying amounts of these assets or cash generating units are recoverable. The key operating assumptions are revenues (in particular, future capacity market, energy and reserve prices), gross margin and operating costs. Further detail regarding these assumptions can be found in note S2 of the Group's Annual Report and Accounts 2019, which does not form part of this report.

During the year an impairment review was carried out that resulted in no impairment charge being recognised.

4 Revenue

The analysis of the Company's revenue for the year from continuing operations is as follows:

	2019	2018
	£ 000	£ 000
Capacity Market revenue	557	-
Loadbook contract revenue	1,159	1,687
External energy market trading revenue	2,134	673
Route to market revenue	6,489	
	10,339	2,360

All turnover relates to the principal activity of the business and occurs wholly in the United Kingdom. Revenue falling outside the scope of IFRS 15 in 2019 amounted to £1,159,000 (2018: £1,687,000) and relates to Loadbook contract income.

UK Capacity Market

The UK capacity market for power was designed to encourage investment in reliable capacity to secure future supplies of electricity for the UK. To achieve this, it offered fixed monthly payments to generators who had won capacity market contracts in the auctions, funded by energy suppliers (in proportion to their share of the UK electricity supply market). On 15 November 2018, the European Court of Justice annulled the European Commission's decision not to raise objections to the state aid scheme establishing a capacity market in the UK. This had the effect of placing the UK capacity market in standstill from the start of the capacity year commencing 1 October 2018. No payments, either to generators or from suppliers, were made under the scheme until a new approval is received from the European Commission confirming that the scheme did not breach state aid regulations. On 24 October 2019 the European Commission announced that it had re-instated the UK Capacity Market, both retrospectively and prospectively. The Company did not recognise any capacity market generator revenue for the period October - December 2018 because these receipts cannot be deemed virtually certain at the 31 December balance sheet date. Any receipts received for this period once the market was reinstated have been recognised in the income statement in 2019.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2019 (continued)

5 Analysis of costs by nature

		2019			2018	
	Cost of sales £ 000	Operating costs £ 000	Total costs £ 000	Cost of sales £ 000	Operating costs £ 000	Total costs £ 000
Foreign exchange gains	-	4	4	-	-	-
Employee costs	(794)	-	(794)	-	-	-
Depreciation	(2,310)	-	(2,310)	_	-	-
Impairment and						
write-downs	(1,425)	-	(1,425)	-	-	-
Realised gains/loss	(6)		(6)	-	-	-
Transportation, distribution and metering costs	(4,732)	-	(4,732)	-	-	-
Recharges	-	(753)	(753)	_	-	-
Facilities and property costs	_	(429)	(429)	-	-	-
Other cost of sales	_	-	-	(2,987)	-	(2,987)
Other operating costs	-	(8)	(8)	-	(751)	(751)
Contractor, consultancy and other professional services	-	(5)	(5)	-	-	-
Total costs by nature	(9,267)	(1,191)	(10,458)	(2,987)	(751)	(3,738)

6 Employees' costs

The Company has no direct employees (2018: zero). However, central payroll costs amounting to £741,000 (2018: £46,000) were incurred through a recharge during the year in respect of an average of 5 (2018: 1) staff providing services to the Company under an employee services agreement with a Group company. Also under this agreement additional pension costs of £53,000 (2018: £16,000) have been incurred from the Group company.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2019 (continued)

7 Net finance income/cost

Finance income		
	2019	2018
	£ 000	£ 000
Interest income from amounts owed by Group undertakings		1,311
Total finance income		1,311
Finance cost		
	2019	2018
	£ 000	£ 000
Decommissioning provision notional interest	(16)	(8)
Interest on amounts owed to Group undertakings	(316)	
Total finance costs	(332)	(8)
Net finance income/(cost)	(332)	1,303

8 Directors' remuneration

The Directors were remunerated as employees of Centrica plc Group and did not receive any remuneration, from any source, for their services as Directors of the Company during the current or preceding financial year. Accordingly, no details in respect of their emoluments have therefore been included in these financial statements.

9 Auditors' remuneration

The Company paid the following amounts to its auditors in respect of the audit of the Financial Statements provided to the Company.

	2019 £ 000	2018 £ 000
Audit fees	(8)	(8)

Auditors' remuneration relates to fees for the audit of the financial statements of the Company.

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption not to disclose amounts paid for non-audit services as these are disclosed in the Group Financial accounts of its ultimate parent, Centrica plc.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2019 (continued)

10 Income tax

Tax credited/(charged) in the Income Statement

	2019 £ 000	2018 £ 000
Current taxation		
UK corporation tax at 19% (2018: 19%)	827	1,584
UK corporation tax adjustment to prior periods		259
	827	1,843
Deferred taxation		
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	(741)	(1,570)
Changes in tax rates	367	(123)
Adjustment in respect of prior period		(338)
Total deferred taxation	(374)	(2,031)
Taxation on profit/loss	453	(188)

The main rate of corporation tax for the year to 31 December 2019 was 19% (2018: 19%). The corporation tax rate was due to reduce to 17% with effect from 1 April 2020. However, at the Budget on 11 March 2020 it was announced that the rate of corporation tax will remain at 19%. For future reporting dates after the enactment of the Finance Bill 2020, the deferred tax balances provided are expected to increase by £393k, and will be reflected in the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020.

The differences between the taxes shown above and the amounts calculated by applying the standard rate of UK corporation tax to the loss before tax are reconciled below:

	2019 £ 000	2018 £ 000
Loss before tax	(451)	(75)
Tax on profit/loss at standard UK corporation tax rate of 19% (2018:		
19%)	86	14
(Increase) decrease in current tax from adjustment for prior periods	-	(78)
(Increase) decrease arising from group relief tax reconciliation	(266)	(341)
(Increase) decrease from transfer pricing adjustments	266	341
Deferred tax (expense) credit relating to changes in tax rates or laws	367	(124)
Total tax credit/(charge)	453	(188)

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2019 (continued)

10 Income tax (continued)

Deferred tax

The movements in respect of the deferred income tax assets and liabilities that occurred during the financial year are as follows:

	Accelerated tax depreciation £000	Revaluation of cash-flow hedges	Other items £000	Total £ 000
l January 2019	(3,137)	21	392	(2,724)
Charged/(credited) to the Income Statement	(578).	-	204	(374)
Charged/(credited) to other comprehensive income		9	<u> </u>	9
31 December 2019	(3,715)	30	596	(3,089)
	Accelerated tax depreciation £000	Revaluation of cash-flow hedges £000	Other items £000	Total £ 000
1 January 2018	(729)	-	-	(729)
Charged/(credited) to the Income Statement	(2,085)	-	392	(1,693)
Charged/(credited) to other comprehensive income	-	123	-	123
Prior period adjustments	(323)	(102)	<u> </u>	(425)
	(3,137)	21	392	(2,724)

The following is an analysis of the gross deferred tax balances and associated offsetting balances for financial reporting purposes:

	2019		20	18
	Assets £ 000	Liabilities £ 000	Assets £ 000	Liabilities £ 000
Gross deferred tax balances crystallising within one year	31	-	21	-
Gross deferred tax balances crystallising after one year	595	(3,715)	391	(3,136)
	626	(3,715)	412	(3,136)

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11 Property, plant and equipment

			Power		
	De Land	commissioning asset	generation assets	Total	
	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000	
Cost					
At 1 January 2019	1,029	1,329	57,819	60,177	
Additions	-	1,425	100	1,525	
At 31 December 2019	1,029	2,754	57,919	61,702	
Accumulated depreciation and impairment					
At 1 January 2019	(549)	(13)	(584)	(1,146)	
Charge for the year	-	(53)	(2,257)	(2,310)	
Impairment	-	(1,425)		(1,425)	
At 31 December 2019	(549)	(1,491)	(2,841)	(4,881)	
Net book value					
At 31 December 2019	480	1,263	55,078	56,821	
At 31 December 2018	480	1,316	57,235	59,031	
12 Trade and other receivables					
_			2019	2018	
			Current	Current	
			£ 000	£ 000	
Accrued energy income			1,781	1,845	
Accrued income			647	-	
Prepayments		_	52	40	
		_	2,480	1,885	
13 Inventories					
	•				
		•	2019	2018	
			£ 000	£ 000	
Strategic spares and consumables			69	43	

There is no significant difference between the replacement cost of inventories and their carrying amounts.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2019 (continued)

14 Trade and other payables

	2019	2018
	Current £ 000	Current £ 000
Trade payables	(58)	(45)
Accrued expenses	(1,754)	(2,295)
Amounts owed to Group undertakings	(23,180)	(26,687)
Other payables	(710)	(53)
VAT	(41)	-
	(25,743).	(29,080)

The amounts owed to Group undertakings have been presented on a net basis as there is a right of offset against certain amounts. Included within the amounts owed to Group undertakings disclosed above are a payable of £24,073,000 (2018: receivable of £32,538,000) that bears interest at a quarterly rate determined by Group Treasury and linked to the Group cost of funds. The quarterly rates ranged between 4.2 and 4.9% per annum during 2019 (2018: 3.72 and 4.13%). The other net amounts owed to Group undertakings are interest-free. All amounts owed to Group undertakings are unsecured and repayable on demand.

Also included within the amounts owed by Group undertakings is a corporation tax receivable of £1,089,000 (2018: £1,844,000).

15 Provisions for other liabilities and charges

	Decommissioning £ 000
At 1 January 2019	2,060
Revision to provision on existing assets	1,425
Accretion of interest	16
At 31 December 2019	3,501
Non-current liabilities	3,501

Decommissioning

The payment dates for the total expected decommissioning costs are uncertain and are dependent on the lives of the facilities, but is currently expected to be incurred in 2043 for the DG plants and in 2021 for the remaining works at the Roosecote site.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2019 (continued)

16 Capital and reserves

Allotted.	called	up	and	fully	paid	shares

, .	2019		2018	
	No.	£	No.	£
Ordinary shares of £1 each	2	2	2	2

Cash flow hedge reserve

The cash flow hedging reserve comprises fair value movements on instruments designated as cash flow hedges under the requirements of IFRS 9. Amounts are transferred from the cash flow hedging reserve to the Income Statement or the Statement of Financial Position as and when the hedged item affects the Income Statement or the Statement of Financial Position which is, for the most part, on receipt or payment of amounts denominated in foreign currencies.

Retained earnings

The balance classified as retained earnings includes the profits and losses realised by the Company in previous periods that were not distributed to the shareholders of the Company at the reporting date.

17 Commitments and contingencies

Capital commitments

The total amount contracted for but not provided in the financial statements relating to the two new construction projects was £nil (2018: £nil).

18 Fair value of financial instruments

The Company entered into forward contracts to economically hedge its foreign exchange exposure on payments made to foreign suppliers required on the construction projects. The derivatives fair value are recognised in the financial statements.

Determination of fair values

The Company's policy for the classification and valuation of financial instruments is disclosed in the accounting policies section of these financial statements. The fair value hierarchy levels are determined in accordance with IFRS 13 and are consistent with those used by its ultimate controlling party being Centrica plc. Further information on the matter including valuation techniques to derive Level 2 and Level 3 fair values is provided in its Annual Report and Accounts 2019.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2019 (continued)

18 Fair value of financial instruments (continued)

Financial instruments carried at fair value

-	31 December 2019		31 December 2018		
	Fair value and carrying value £ 000	Level 2 £ 000	Fair value and carrying value £ 000	Level 2 £ 000	
Foreign exchange derivatives	2.0	2.0			
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	2.0	2.0	<u>-</u>		
Foreign exchange derivatives	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	(7.0)	(7.0)	
Total financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	<u> </u>		(7.0)	(7.0)	
Net financial instruments at fair value	2.0	2.0	(7.0)	(7.0)	

19 Parent and ultimate parent undertaking

The immediate parent undertaking is GB Gas Holdings Limited, a company registered in England and Wales.

The ultimate parent undertaking is Centrica plc, a company registered in England and Wales, which is the only company to include these financial statements in its consolidated financial statements. Copies of the Centrica plc consolidated financial statements may be obtained from www.centrica.com.

The registered address of Centrica plc is Millstream, Maidenhead Road, Windsor, Berkshire SL4 5GD.

20 Non adjusting events after the financial period

Subsequent to the balance sheet date, on 11 March 2020 the World Health Organisation declared the SARS-CoV-2 outbreak and resultant COVID-19 to be a global pandemic. The UK government moved to a 'delay' phase on 12 March, announced social distancing measures on 16 March, and unprecedented 'stay at home' restrictions on 23 March. The Company has therefore concluded that the necessity for large scale Government interventions in response to COVID-19 only became apparent after the balance sheet date and therefore the consequences of such interventions represent non-adjusting post balance sheet events. The Company has no critical judgements or key sources of estimation uncertainty at the balance sheet date which could have been subsequently affected by these events.

In June 2020, the Company recorded an impairment of £9,000,000 as the value of the assets had deteriorated since 31 December 2019. This was identified during updated impairment testing and was due to lower expected economic returns. This has been treated as a non adjusting post balance sheet event.