Annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2017

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Company information

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J Shutler (Resigned 07/12/2017)

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Strategic report For the year ended 31 December 2017

The directors present their strategic report for the year ended 31 December 2017.

The directors, in preparing this strategic report, have complied with s414C of the Companies Act 2006.

Principal activity

The company provides web hosting and network services and issues internet domain names to customers ranging from private individuals to large corporations.

Results and dividends

Turnover on continuing operations has increased £3.6m (6.7%) and gross profit on continuing operations has increased £3.4m (10.3%) compared to 2016.

The company made an operating profit of £16.6m from continuing operations compared to a profit of £14.1m during 2016. The company ended the year with £285.4m net current assets compared to £54.4m in 2016.

The results for the year ended 31 December 2017 and the financial position of the company at that date are set out on pages 9 to 12 of the financial statements.

The directors do not recommend payment of a dividend (2016 - £Nil).

Key performance indicators

The company has financial KPIs which it monitors on a regular basis at board level and, where relevant, at business unit management meetings as follows:

	Year ended 31 December 2017	Year ended 31 December 2016
Revenue	£57.4m	£53.8m
Gross profit	£36.3m	£32.9m
Gross profit margin	63.2%	61.2%
Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA) and exceptional items	£18.6m	£16.6m
Profit before tax(PBT)	£22.9m	£16.7m

Revenue in 2017 has increased by 6.7% compared to 2016 due to the increased marketing effort during the year and an increase in sales price for some of the products. Overall this contributed to the increased revenue and increase in the gross profit margin and EBITDA. Profit before tax increased by £6.2m (37.1%) in 2017 mainly due to increase in revenue and due to interest receivables on loans to the group companies.

Principal risks and uncertainties

Senior management are aware of their responsibility for managing risks within their business units. Each business unit head reports to the board on the status of these risks through management reports. Risk is regularly reviewed at board level to ensure that risk management is being implemented and monitored effectively. The board's policy is to ensure that the business units are empowered to run their business effectively and appropriately, bearing in mind the requirements for timely decision-making and commercial reality. Through management reports, risks are highlighted and monitored to identify potential business risk areas and to quantify and address the risk wherever possible.

Strategic report (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

Commercial and general risk

Commercial and general risk arise due to the economic uncertainty. Standard form contracts are provided for commercial use and to assist the commercial function to negotiate within approved parameters. Insurance policies are regularly reviewed to ensure these are adequate, appropriate and in line with the nature, size and complexity of the business.

Credit risk

A credit risk may arise because of the non-payment by customers, the majority of the company's customers pay in advance for services. Where services are supplied without advance payment, a credit review of the customer is performed if applicable or when there is evidence of continued non-payment.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk may arise due to overspending by the company. The company regularly forecasts cash flow to ensure that sufficient cash is available from trading for future expenses and capital expenditure.

Going concern

The company made a profit in the current year and has net current assets and net assets. In assessing whether the going concern basis is appropriate, the directors take into account all available information about the future, which is at least, but is not limited to, 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements. The directors have performed this review at a company level and have also performed a review for the entire group.

In making this conclusion, the directors have considered the letter of support the company received from GoDaddy Inc. confirming that it will provide financial support as needed for a period of at least twelve months from the date of approval of these financial statements.

The directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing these financial statements.

Future developments

The company plans to continue its existing activities.

Approved by the Board on 7 December 2018 and signed on its behalf by:

J Wong Director

Directors' report For the year ended 31 December 2017

The directors present their annual report on the affairs of the company, together with the financial statements and auditor's report, for the year ended 31 December 2017.

Directors

The directors, who served throughout the year except as noted, were as follows:

J Shutler (Resigned 07/12/2017)

S Conyers (Appointed 07/12/2017 and resigned 09/10/2018)

R Winslow

J Wong (Appointed 07/12/2017)

Auditor

Each of the persons who is a director at the date of approval of this report confirms that:

- so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware;
 and
- the director has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a director in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of s418 of the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the Board on 7 December 2018 and signed on its behalf by:

J Wong Director

Directors' responsibilities statement

The directors are responsible for preparing the annual report including the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare such financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 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:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether Financial Reporting Standard 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework has 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.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF 123-Reg Limited

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of 123-Reg Limited for the year ended 31 December 2017 which comprise the Income Statement, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of comprehensive income, the Statement of changes in equity and the related notes 1 to 25, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including FRS 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2017 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

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 below. 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 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 have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you 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.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in this 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 the other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF 123-Reg Limited (continued)

Opinions on other matters 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 directors' report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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 material misstatements in the strategic report or directors' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, 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 Financial Reporting Council's website at https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF 123-Reg Limited (continued)

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

Marcus Butler (Senior statutory auditor)

for and on behalf of Ernst & Young LLP, Statutory Auditor

London

Date: 07/12/18

Income statement For the year ended 31 December 2017

	Note	2017 £ 000	2016 £ 000
Revenue	5	57,360	53,795
Cost of sales	_	(21,043)	(20,865)
Gross profit		36,317	32,930
Administrative expenses	_	(19,730)	(18,840)
Operating profit		16,587	14,090
Interest receivable and similar income	10	7,706	4,050
Interest payable and similar charges	11 _	(1,372)	(1,462)
Profit before tax	6	22,921	16,678
Tax on profit	12	46	602
Profit for the year	_	22,967	17,280

The above results were derived from continuing operations.

Statement of comprehensive income For the year ended 31 December 2017

	2017	2016
	£ 000	£ 000
Profit for the year	22,967	17,280
Exchange translation differences on consolidation	<u> </u>	(1,032)
Total comprehensive income for the year	22,967	16,248

Balance sheet As at 31 December 2017

	Note	2017 £ 000	2016 £ 000
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets	14	26	503
Tangible fixed assets	15	2,769	3,699
Investments in subsidiaries	16	53,704	260,146
		56,499	264,348
Current assets	•		
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	17	330,655	89,517
Cash at bank and in hand		1,570_	2,049
		332,225	91,566
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	18	(46,740)	(37,192)
Net current assets		285,485	54,374
Total assets less current liabilities		341,984	318,722
Provisions for liabilities	19	(1,270)	(1,316)
Net assets		340,714	317,406
Capital and reserves			
Called-up share capital	21	205,282	205,282
Share premium	20	37,453	37,453
Share based payments reserve	21	341	-
Retained earnings	21	97,638	74,671
Total shareholder's funds		340,714	317,406

The financial statements of 123-Reg Limited (registration number: 05306504) were approved by the Board of directors and authorised for issue on 7 December 2018. They were signed on its behalf by:

J Wong Director

Statement of changes in equity For the year ended 31 December 2017

	Called-up share capital £ 000	Share premium £ 000	Share based payments reserve £ 000	Retained earnings £ 000	Total £ 000
As at 1 January 2016	205,282	37,453		58,423	301,158
New share capital subscribed	-	-	-	-	-
Profit for the year	-	-	-	17,280	17,280
Other comprehensive income	<u> </u>	-		(1,032)	(1,032)
Total comprehensive income				16,248	16,248
As at 31 December 2016	205,282	37,453		74,671	317,406
Profit for the year	-	•	•	22,967	22,967
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-
Share based options reserve			341		341
Total comprehensive income		<u>-</u>		22,967	23,308
At 31 December 2017	205,282	37,453	341	97,638	340,714

Notes to the financial statements For the year ended 31 December 2017

1. General information

123-Reg Limited (the "company") is a private company limited by shares incorporated in England and Wales and domiciled in the United Kingdom under the Companies Act.

The address of its registered office is:

5th Floor The Shipping Building Old Vinyl Factory 252 - 254 Blyth Road Hayes Middlesex, United Kingdom UB3 1HA

These financial statements are presented in pounds sterling because that is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the company operates.

These financial statements are separate financial statements. The Company is exempt from the preparation and delivery of consolidated financial statements, because it is included in the group accounts GoDaddy Inc. The group accounts of GoDaddy Inc. are available to the public and can be obtained as set out in note 25.

Going concern

The company has net assets of £340,714,000 as set out in the balance sheet on page 11.

In assessing whether the going concern basis is appropriate, the directors take into account all available information about the future, which is at least, but is not limited to, 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements. The directors have performed this review at a company level and have also performed a review for the entire group.

In making this conclusion, the directors have considered the letter of support the company received from GoDaddy Inc. confirming that it will provide financial support as needed for a period of at least twelve months from the date of approval of these financial statements.

The directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing these financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis, which the directors believe to be appropriate for the following reasons:

- The company achieved profit before tax of £22,922,000 (2016:£16,678,000)
- It had a positive cash balance at 31 December 2017 of £1,570,000 (2016: £2,049,000) and the directors forecast positive cash flows for 2017.
- The directors continue to monitor the company's funding strategy and have prepared detailed forecasts for 2017. These forecasts underpin the going concern basis for the company.

The directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing these financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

2. Adoption of new and revised Standards

Amendments to IFRSs and the new Interpretation that are mandatorily effective for the current year

New and amended standards and interpretations

The company applied for the first time certain amendments to the standards, which are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2017. The company has not early adopted any standards, interpretations or amendments that have been issued but are not yet effective.

The nature and the impact of each amendment is described below:

Amendments to IAS 12 Income Taxes: Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealised Losses

The amendments clarify that an entity needs to consider whether tax law restricts the sources of taxable profits against which it may make deductions on the reversal of deductible temporary difference related to unrealised losses. Furthermore, the amendments provide guidance on how an entity should determine future taxable

profits and explain the circumstances in which taxable profit may include the recovery of some assets for more than their carrying amount.

The company applied amendments retrospectively. However, their application has no effect on the Group's financial position and performance as the company has no deductible temporary differences or assets that are in the scope of the amendments.

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Amendments to IFRS 12 Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities: Clarification of the scope of disclosure requirements in IFRS 12

The amendments clarify that the disclosure requirements in IFRS 12, other than those in paragraphs B10-B16, apply to an entity's interest in a subsidiary, a joint venture or an associate (or a portion of its interest in a joint venture or an associate) that is classified (or included in a disposal group that is classified) as held for sale.

As at 31 December 2017 the company had no subsidiaries classified as held for sale.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

3. Accounting policies

Summary of significant accounting policies

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.

Basis of accounting

The company meets the definition of a qualifying entity under FRS 100 (Financial Reporting Standard 100) issued by the Financial Reporting Council. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 101 (Financial Reporting Standard 101) 'Reduced Disclosure Framework' as issued by the Financial Reporting Council.

Summary of disclosure exemptions

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

- i) the requirements of paragraph 17 of IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures
- the requirements in IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures to disclose related party transactions entered into between two or more members of a group, provided that any subsidiary which is a party to the transaction is wholly owned by such a member
- iii) the requirements of IAS 7 Statement of Cash Flows
- iv) the requirements of paragraphs 45b and 46-52 of IFRS 2 Share Based Payment because the share based payment arrangement concerns the instruments of another group entity
- v) the requirements of paragraphs 91-99 of IFRS 13 Fair Value Measurement
- vi) the requirement in paragraph 38 of IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements to present comparative information in respect of paragraph 79(a)(iv) of IAS 1 and paragraph 73(e) of IAS 16 Property Plant and Equipment
- vii) the requirements of paragraphs 10(d), 10(f) and 134-136 of IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements
- viii) the requirements of paragraph 30 and 31 of IAS 8 Accounting Polices, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors
- ix) the requirements of IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures
- x) the requirements of paragraphs 6 and 21 of IFRS 1 First-time Adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards

Where relevant, equivalent disclosures have been given in the group accounts of GoDaddy Inc. The group accounts of GoDaddy Inc. are available to the public and can be obtained as set out in note 25.

Investments in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiaries are accounted for at cost less, where appropriate, provisions for impairment.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

3. Accounting policies (continued)

Tax

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

Current tax

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

Deferred tax

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

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each balance sheet date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the liability is settled or the asset is realised based on tax laws and rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date. Deferred tax is charged or credited in the income statement, except when it relates to items charged or credited in other comprehensive income, in which case the deferred tax is also dealt with in other comprehensive income.

The measurement of deferred tax liabilities and assets reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the company expects, at the end of the reporting period, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the company intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

Current and deferred tax for the year

Current and deferred tax are recognised in profit or loss, except when they relate to items that are recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case, the current and deferred tax are also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively.

Revenue recognition

Revenue comprises the value of web hosting and network services provided, and internet domain names issued, net of value added tax. Fees for web hosting and network services are deferred and recognised evenly over the period of the contract. Income from the issue of domain names is recognised in full on registration of the domain names; at the time of the transfer of risks and rewards of ownership.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

3. Accounting policies (continued)

Foreign currencies

The financial statements are presented in pounds sterling, which is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the company operates (its functional currency).

Transactions in currencies other than the company's functional currency (foreign currencies) are recognised at the rates of exchange prevailing on the dates of the transactions. At each balance sheet date, monetary assets and liabilities that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at that date. Non-monetary items carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rates prevailing at the date when the fair value was determined. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

Exchange differences are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any provision for impairment.

Depreciation

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets (other than free land and properties under construction) less their residual values over their useful lives, using the straight-line method, on the following bases:

Asset class Depreciation method and rate

Leasehold improvements shorter of the lease term or useful economic life

Network infrastructure 2 to 10 years Fixtures, fittings and office equipment 3 to 7 years Motor vehicles 2 to 10 years

The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate accounted for on a prospective basis.

Assets held under finance leases are depreciated over their expected useful lives on the same basis as owned assets or, where shorter, over the term of the relevant lease.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from the continued use of the asset. The gain or loss arising on the disposal or scrappage of an asset is determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and is recognised in income.

Intangible assets

The costs incurred to acquire and bring to use specific computer software licences are capitalised.

Amortisation

The costs are amortised on a straight line basis over the expected useful lives, from the date it is available for use, not exceeding three years. Costs associated with maintaining software are recognised as an expense as incurred.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

3. Accounting policies (continued)

Impairment of tangible and intangible assets

At each balance sheet date, the company reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where the asset does not generate cash flows that are independent from other assets, the company estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. When a reasonable and consistent basis of allocation can be identified, corporate assets are also allocated to individual cash-generating units, or otherwise they are allocated to the smallest group of cash-generating units for which a reasonable and consistent allocation basis can be identified.

An intangible asset with an indefinite useful life is tested for impairment at least annually and whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired.

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

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

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

Provisions

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

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the balance sheet date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. Where a provision is measured using the cash flows estimated to settle the present obligation, its carrying amount is the present value of those cash flows (when the effect of the time value of money is material).

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

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

3. Accounting policies (continued)

Leases

Where assets are financed by leasing arrangements that give rights approximating to ownership (finance leases), the assets are treated as if they had been purchased outright. The amount capitalised is the present value of the minimum lease payments during the lease term. The corresponding leasing commitments are shown as amounts payable to the lessor. Depreciation on the relevant assets is charged to the income statement.

Lease payments are analysed between capital and interest components. The interest element of the payment is charged to the income statement over the period of the lease and is calculated so that it represents a constant

proportion of the balance of the capital repayments outstanding. The capital part reduces the amounts payable to the lessor.

All other leases are treated as operating leases. Their annual rentals are charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

Reverse premiums and similar incentives received to enter into operating lease agreements are released to the income statement over the period to the date on which the rent is first expected to be adjusted to the prevailing market rate.

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

Onerous contracts

Present obligations arising under onerous contracts are recognised and measured as provisions. An onerous contract is considered to exist where the Company has a contract under which the unavoidable costs of meeting the obligations under the contract exceed the economic benefits expected to be received under it.

Defined contribution pension obligation

The company contributes to the personal pension schemes of certain employees. Amounts charged in the income statement represent amounts payable in the period.

Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised in the company's balance sheet when the company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Financial assets

All financial assets are recognised and derecognised on a trade date where the purchase or sale of a financial asset is under a contract whose terms require delivery of the financial asset within the timeframe established by the market concerned, and are initially measured at fair value, plus transaction costs, except for those financial assets classified as at fair value through profit or loss, which are initially measured at fair value.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

3. Accounting policies (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Financial assets (continued)

Financial assets are classified into the following specified categories: financial assets 'at fair value through profit or loss' (FVTPL) and 'loans and receivables'. The classification depends on the nature and purpose of the financial assets and is determined at the time of initial recognition.

Financial liabilities and equity

Debt and equity instruments are classified as either financial liabilities or as equity in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangement.

Equity instruments

An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of an entity after deducting all of its liabilities. Equity instruments issued by the company are recognised at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

Repurchase of the company's own equity instruments is recognised and deducted directly in equity. No gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss on the purchase, sale, issue or cancellation of the company's own equity instruments.

Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are classified as either financial liabilities 'at FVTPL' or 'other financial liabilities'.

Financial liabilities at FVTPL

Financial liabilities are classified as at FVTPL when the financial liability is either held for trading or it is designated as at FVTPL.

A financial liability is classified as held for trading if:

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

A financial liability other than a financial liability held for trading may be designated as at FVTPL upon initial recognition if:

- such designation eliminates or significantly reduces a measurement or recognition inconsistency that would otherwise arise; or
- the financial liability forms part of a group of financial assets or financial liabilities or both, which is managed
 and its performance is evaluated on a fair value basis, in accordance with the company's documented risk
 management or investment strategy, and information about the grouping is provided internally on that basis;
 or
- it forms part of a contract containing one or more embedded derivatives, and IAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement permits the entire combined contract (asset or liability) to be designated as at FVTPL.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

3. Accounting policies (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Financial liabilities at FVTPL(continued)

Financial liabilities at FVTPL are stated at fair value, with any gains or losses arising on remeasurement recognised in profit or loss. The net gain or loss recognised in profit or loss incorporates any interest paid on the financial liability.

Other financial liabilities

Other financial liabilities, including borrowings, are initially measured at fair value, net of transaction costs.

Other financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, with interest expense recognised on an effective yield basis.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial liability and of allocating interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments through the expected life of the financial liability, or, where appropriate, a shorter period, to the net carrying amount on initial recognition.

Share based payment

Equity Settled Options

The ultimate parent company issues equity-settled share based payments to certain employees. The cost of equity-settled transactions with employees is measured by reference to the fair value at the date on which they are granted and is recognised as an expense over the vesting period, which ends on the date on which the relevant employees become fully entitled to the award.

No expense is recognised for awards that do not ultimately vest, except for awards where vesting is conditional upon a market vesting condition or a non-vesting condition, which are treated as vesting irrespective of whether or not the market vesting condition or non-vesting condition is satisfied, provided that all other non-market vesting conditions are satisfied.

At each balance sheet date before vesting, the cumulative expense is calculated, representing the extent to which the vesting period has expired and management's best estimate of the achievement or otherwise of non-market vesting conditions and of the number of equity instruments that will ultimately vest. The movement in cumulative expense since the previous balance sheet date is recognised in the income statement, with a corresponding entry in equity. Where the terms of an equity-settled award are modified or a new award is designated as replacing a cancelled or settled award, the cost based on the original award terms continues to be recognised over the original vesting period.

In addition, an expense is recognised over the remainder of the new vesting period for the incremental fair value of any modification, based on the difference between the fair value of the original award and the fair value of the modified award, both as measured on the date of the modification. No reduction is recognised if this difference is negative.

Where an equity-settled award is cancelled (including when a non-vesting condition within the control of the entity or employee is not met), it is treated as if it had vested on the date of cancellation, and any cost not yet recognized in the income statement for the award is expensed immediately. Any compensation paid up to the fair value of the award at the cancellation or settlement date is deducted from equity, with any excess over fair value being treated as an expense in the income statement.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

3. Accounting policies (continued)

Share based payment (continued)

The company applies the accelerated vesting attribution method to recognize equity-based compensation expense. The company recognize the expense separately for each vesting tranche. The company also estimates when and if performance based awards will be earned. If an award is not considered probable of being earned,

no amount of expense is recognized. If the award is deemed probable of being earned, the expense is recorded over the estimated service period.

Fair value measured using the Black-Scholes option pricing model takes into account the following inputs:

- the exercise price of the option;
- the life of the option;
- the market price on the date of grant of the option;
- the expected volatility of the share price;
- · the dividends expected on the shares; and
- the risk free interest rate for the life of the option

The expected life used in the model has been adjusted, based on management's best estimate, for the effects of non-transferability, exercise restrictions and behavioural conditions.

The liability is remeasured to fair value at each reporting date up to and including the settlement date, with changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss for the period.

4. Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amount of assets and liabilities, income and expenses. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form a basis for making the judgements about the carrying value of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources.

The directors have reviewed the estimates and assumptions used in the preparation of the financial statements. The directors do not believe that there is a significant risk which would lead to material adjustments to the carrying value of any assets and liabilities in the next financial year due to the changes on the estimates or assumptions.

In making its decision surrounding revenue recognition, management have considered the detailed criteria for revenue from the sale of goods and rendering of services set out in IAS 18 Revenue. The directors are satisfied that recognition of revenue in the current year is appropriate, in conjunction with the transfer of risks and rewards...

5. Turnover

The analysis of the company's turnover is as follows:

	2017	2016
	£ 000	£ 000
Web hosting and network services	57,360	53,795

All turnover has arisen in the United Kingdom and is attributable to the company's principal activity.

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6. Profit before tax

Profit for the year has been arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	2017	2016
	£ 000	£ 000
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	1,581	1,752
Amortisation of intangible assets	477	471
Operating lease expense - property	298	444

7. Auditor's remuneration

Fees payable to Ernst & Young LLP and their associates for the audit of the company's annual accounts were £50,000 (2016: £45,000).

Fees payable to Ernst & Young LLP and their associates for non-audit services to the company are not required to be disclosed because the consolidated financial statements of the parent company are required to disclose such fees on a consolidated basis.

8. Staff costs

The average monthly number of employees (including executive directors) was:

	2017	2016
	No.	No.
Technical and customer operations	125	85
Sales and marketing	34	38
Management and administration	41	32
	200	155
Their aggregate remuneration comprised:		
	2017	2015
	£ 000	£ 000
Wages and salaries	7,526	4,958
Social security costs	767	526
Other pension costs	176	127
	8,469	5,611
9. Directors' remuneration		
The directors' remuneration for the year was as follows:		
	2017	2016
	£ 000	£ 000
Remuneration	335	152
In respect of the highest paid director:		
	2017	2016
	£ 000	£ 000
Remuneration	151	127
There are no post retirement benefits accrued.		

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

10. Interest receivable and similar income		
·	2017 £ 000	2016 £ 000
Interest on loans to group undertakings	7,706	4,050
11. Interest payable and similar charges		
	2017	2016
	£ 000	£ 000
Interest on loans from group undertakings	1,338	1,357
Other	34	105
	1,372	1,462
12. Tax on profit on ordinary activities		
Tax (credited)/charged for the year in the income statement:		
	2017	2016
	£ 000	£ 000
Current taxation		
UK corporation tax charge	-	-
Deferred taxation		
Arising from origination and reversal of temporary differences	271	321
Arising from adjustments in respect of prior periods	(280)	(1,002)
Effect of tax rate change on opening deferred tax balance	(37)	79
Total deferred taxation (see note 13)	(46)	(602)
Tax (credit)/charge for the year	(46)	(602)
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The tax on loss before tax for the year is the same as the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK (2017: same as the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK) of 19.00% (2016: 20%).

The (credit)/charge for the year can be reconciled to the profit in the income statement as follows:

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

12. Tax on profit on ordinary activities (continued)

	2017	2016
	£ 000	£ 000
Profit before tax	22,922	16,678
Corporation tax at standard rate	4,412	3,336
Fixed asset differences Increase from effect of expenses not deductible in		77
determining taxable profit (tax loss)	109	5
Group relief	(4,249)	(3,097)
Adjustments to tax charge in respect of previous periods – deferred tax	(280)	(1,002)
Adjust closing deferred tax to average rate		333
Rate changes	(38)	
Adjusting opening deferred tax to average rate		(254)
Tax (credit)/charge for the year	(46)	(602)

The future tax charge will be reduced to below the UK standard rate by the availability of tax losses.

13. Deferred tax

The following are the major deferred tax assets recognised by the company and movements thereon during the current and prior reporting period.

	differences £ 000
At 1 January 2016	1,283
Charge to income statement	602
At 1 January 2017	1,885
Charge to income statement	46
At 31 December 2017	1,931

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset where the company has a legally enforceable right to do so. The following is the analysis of the deferred tax balances (after offset) for financial reporting purposes:

	2017 £ 000	2016 £ 000
Deferred tax assets	1,931	1,885
	1,931	1,885

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

14. Intangible assets

	Patents and licenses £ 000	Total £ 000
Cost or valuation		
At 1 January 2017	1,430	1,430
Additions	<u> </u>	
At 31 December 2017	1,430	1,430
Amortisation		
At 1 January 2017	927	927
Amortisation charge	477	477
At 31 December 2017	1,404	1,404
Carrying amount		
At 31 December 2017	<u> 26</u>	26
At 31 December 2016	503	503

15. Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £ 000	Furniture, fittings & equipment £ 000	Other property, plant & equipment £ 000	Total £ 000
Cost or valuation	2 000	2000	***************************************	4 000
At 1 January 2017	5,822	467	4,175	10,464
Additions	128	163	376	667
Disposals	(33)	(227)	(1997)	(2257)
At 31 December 2017	5,917	403	2,554	8,874
Depreciation				
At 1 January 2017	3,263	366	3,136	6,765
Charge for the year	1,021	90	470	1,581
Disposals	(33)	(227)	(1981)	(2,241)
At 31 December 2017	4251	229	1,625	6,105
Carrying amount				
At 31 December 2017	1,666	174	929	2,769
At 31 December 2016	2,559	101	1,039	3,699

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16. Investment in subsidiaries

Cost or valuation	£ 000
1 January 2017	260,146
Return of Investment	(206,442)
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2017	53,704
At 31 December 2016	260,146

The indirect investment in PlusServer Deutschland GmbH, PlusServer France SARL, PlusServer GmbH and MCS GmbH were sold in August 2017. The proceeds were returned to 123-Reg Limited in the form of return of capital and subsequently transferred to its parent company Host Europe Group Limited under a loan agreement.

Details of the company's subsidiaries as at 31 December 2017 are as follows:

Name	Registered Office	Principal activity
Directly held		
Webfusion Limited		Dissolved 18/07/2017
Donhost Limited		Dissolved 17/01/2017
GoDaddy Deutschland GmbH (formerly Host	: d	Intermediate holding company
Europe Internet GmbH)		
Webfusion Internet Limited		Dissolved 22/11/2016
Webfusion Internet Solutions Limited		Intermediate holding company
Indirectly held		
Datadock SARL	a	Telecommunicaitons
Domainfactory GmbH	b	Telecommunications
HEG Services SRL (formerly Webfusion	С	Telecommunications
SRL)		
Host Europe GmbH	d	Telecommunications
Host Europe Suisse AG	e	Telecommunications
HEG US Inc (formerly Server4you Inc.)	f	Telecommunications
Velia.Net Internetdienste GmbH	g	Telecommunications
Velia.net (HK) Ltd	h	Telecommunications
WorldHostingDays GmbH	d	Telecommunications
WorldHostingDaysUSA Inc.	i	Telecommunications

Registered Office

Unless otherwise referenced the registered office of the company's subsidiaries is: 252-254 Blyth Road, 5th Floor, The Shipping Building, Old Vinyl Factory, Hayes, Middlesex, England, UB3 1HA.

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- a) 1 rue du Havre, 67100 Strasbourg, France
- b) Oskar-Messter Strasse 33, 85737 Ismaning, Germany
- c) Iasi, Bulevard Carol I nr. 3, etajele 2-4, jud. Iasi, Romania
- d) Hansestr. 111, 51149 Cologne, Germany
- e) Technopark Luzern, D4 Platz 4, 6039 Root Langenbold, Switzerland
- f) 210 North Tucker Boulevard, Suite 910, St Louis, MO 63101, USA
- g) Hessen-Homburg-Platz 1, 63452 Hanau, Germany
- h) Unit 701, The Workstation, 43 Lyndhurst Terrace, Hong Kong
- i) (Registered Agent) Corporation Trust Center, 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware 19801, USA

17. Debtors: amounts falling due within one year

	2017	2016
	£ 000	£ 000
Trade debtors	61	142
Amounts owed by group undertakings	326,842	86,127
Social security and other taxes	1,931	1,901
Corporation Tax asset	1,000	. -
Other debtors	362	665
Prepayments and accrued income	459	682
	330,655	89,517

All amounts shown under debtors above fall due within one year, with the exception of social security and other taxes which contains an amount of £1,873,000 (2016: £1,885,000) of deferred tax assets.

18. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2017	2016
	£ 000	£ 000
Trade creditors	1,874	2,221
Accruals and deferred income	6,571	5,871
Amounts owed to group undertakings	36,371	27,612
Social security and other taxes	1,843	1,405
Other creditors	81	83
	46,740	37,192

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19. Provisions

			2017 £ 000	2016 £ 000
Dilapidations provision			927	878
Onerous lease provision			343	424
Legal provision				14
			1,270	1,316
	Dilapidations provision £ 000	Onerous lease provision £ 000	Legal provision £ 000	Total £ 000
At 1 January 2017	878	424	14	1,316
Provided in the year	36	-	-	36
Release during the year	-	(100)	-	(100)
Utilisation of provision	-	-	(14)	(14)
Unwinding of provision	13	19	-	32
	927	343	-	1,270

The provisions as of 31 December 2017 relate to the leases on unutilised office and car park space which expire at various dates up to 2021 and dilapidations provisions. On 28 September 2018 a sum of £99,000 was paid to surrender the lease on the car park therefore extinguishing the remaining onerous lease provision on that date of £305,000.

20. Share based payment reserve

The following options relate to Ordinary shares in the ultimate controlling entity, GoDaddy, Inc.

The ultimate parent company grant options at exercise prices equal to the fair market value of our Class A common stock on the grant date. They grant Non-Qualified stock options, RSUs and PSUs vesting solely upon the continued employment of the recipient (Time Options) as well as awards vesting upon the achievement of annual or cumulative financial-based targets coinciding with companies fiscal year (Performance Options). They recognize the grant date fair value of equity-based awards as compensation expense over the required service period of each award, taking into account the probability of the company's achievement of associated performance targets. According to the award terms, Time Options vest equally on each of the four or five successive anniversaries of the vesting commencement date, and Performance Options vest based on the achievement of predetermined performance targets in each of the successive four or five fiscal years. In the event the performance targets are not achieved in any given year, the Performance Options for such year will subsequently vest upon the achievement of cumulative performance targets in the following fiscal year.

Each of these options, whether Time Options or Performance Options, have a contractual term of ten years.

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Stock Options

	2017 No.	2017 WAEP(£)	2017 Weighted Avg remaining contractual life	Total Expense 2017 000
Outstanding at 31 December 2016*	-	-	-	-
Granted during the year	11,902	-	9.43	49
Exercised	-	-	•	-
Expired during the year	-	-		-
Outstanding at 31 December 2017	18,696		9.43	49

^{* 2017} was the first year of grant of share options for the company as such, there are no comparatives or opening balances.

The input assumptions used in the Black-Scholes option pricing model are; Risk-free interest rate 2.105%, Expected term 6.11 years, and Volatility 37.70%.

There is one (1) employee who have been granted stock options in the parent company during the year when the market value per share was \$42.79.

All options granted will be eligible to be exercised as long as the following vesting conditions are satisfied:

- 25% will vest on the one year anniversary of the vest begin date and the remaining 75% will vest in 12 equal, quarterly instalments thereafter
- Subject to continuous employment with the Company

None of the options were exercised during the year.

Restricted Stock Units (RSUs)(Time Options)

	2017 No.	2017 WAEP(£)	2017 Remaining contractual life in years	Total Expense 2017 000
Outstanding at 31 December 2016*	-		-	-
Granted during the year	27,308	-	3.19	242
Forfeited	(2,922)		-	-
Exercised	-	-	-	-
Expired during the year	-	-	-	-
Outstanding at 31 December 2017	24,386	-	3.19	242

There are five (5) employees who have been granted restricted stock units (RSU) in the parent company during the year when the market value per share was \$42.79.

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All RSUs granted will vest as follows:

- 25% will vest on the first day of the month following the one year anniversary of the vest begin date and the remaining 75% will vest in 12 equal, quarterly instalments thereafter
- Subject to continuous employment with the Company
- One of the RSU was terminated during the year Expiry date of the stock unit is 6 June 2027.

Performance Stock Units (PSU's) (Performance Options)

	2017 No.	2017 WAEP(£)	2017 Remaining contractual life in years	Total Expense 2017 000
Outstanding at 31 December 2016*	-	_	-	_
Granted during the year	4,674	-	2.31	49
Exercised	-	-	-	-
Expired during the year	-	-	-	-
Outstanding at 31 December 2017	4,674	_	2.31	49

There is one (1) employee who have been granted stock options in the parent company during the year when the market value per share was \$42.79.

All PSUs granted will vest as follows:

- The grant will be divided into 4 tranches with 4 different performance years and each tranche will vest in the first quarter of the year following the applicable performance year if the performance metrics are met and the Board approves vesting
- Subject to continuous employment with the Company.

None of the PSUs were exercised during the year

Where relevant, equivalent disclosures have been given in the group accounts of GoDaddy Inc. The group accounts of GoDaddy Inc. are available to the public and can be obtained as set out in note 25.

21. Called-up share capital and reserves

Allotted, called-up and fully paid shares

	2017	2017	2016	2016
	No.	£ 000	No.	£ 000
Ordinary shares of £0.01 each	20,528,153,554	205,282	20,528,153,554	205,282

Shareholders of all ordinary shares are entitled to one vote for every share.

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The ordinary shares have no entitlement to dividends except with special approval, until the group sells all or part of its operating business.

The company's other reserves are as follows:

Share premium

The share premium reserve contains the premium arising on issue of equity shares, net of issue expenses.

Retained earnings

The retained earnings reserve represents cumulative profits or losses, net of dividends paid and other adjustments.

22. Obligations under leases and hire purchase contracts

Operating leases

At the balance sheet date the company had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

	2017 £ 000	£ 000
Within one year	433	435
In two to five years	770	1,135
In over five years	7	80
-	1,210	1,650

The amount of non-cancellable operating lease payments recognised as an expense during the year was £298,316 (2016: £444,008).

23. Pension

The company does not operate an occupational pension scheme but makes a percentage contribution of qualifying salary to certain employees' personal pension schemes. The amount charged to the income statement in respect of such contributions was £176,000 (2016: £127,000). The outstanding contributions to the pension scheme at the balance sheet date were £29,000 (2016: £19,000).

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24. Related Parties

	2017 £ 000	2016 £ 000
Amounts owed by group undertakings	326,842	86,127
Amounts owed to group undertakings	(36,371)	(27,612)
	<u>290,471</u>	58,515

123-Reg Limited has inter-company relationships within the group and supply services to each other. The amounts owed to and paid to are fully recoverable and payable. The increase in the amounts owed by group undertakings is due to a loan of £206,000 to Host Europe Group Limited.

25. Immediate and ultimate parent company and controlling party

The immediate parent company during the year ended 31 December 2017 was HEL Bidco Limited.

The ultimate parent company until 3 April 2017 was Host Europe Holdings Limited, a company incorporated in the Channel Islands.

The ultimate controlling party up to 3 April 2017 was the Fifth Cinven Fund which held the majority of the shares in the company and which is managed by Cinven Capital Management (V) General Partner Limited.

On 6 December 2016, US-based GoDaddy Inc., the world's largest cloud platform dedicated to small, independent ventures, entered into a definitive agreement to acquire Host Europe Holdings and its subsidiaries (the Group).

The transaction was approved by the GoDaddy Inc. board of directors and the Group's shareholders and closed on 3 April 2017. From this date GoDaddy Inc. became the ultimate controlling party.

The consolidated financial statements of GoDaddy Inc. are publicly available on the GoDaddy website.